



Mennonite Church  
February 5, 2012 10:30 a.m.

## Gathering for Praise

\*Song *Blessed Assurance* HWB 332

Worship Music *Hold Me* - Diaz Caley & Lindsey Ortman

\*Call to Worship Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

**He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable.**

He gives power to the faint.

**and strengthens the powerless.**

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

***but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.***

Words of Welcome & Prayer Tammy Plank

Song *Praise with joy the world's Creator* STJ 16

## Hearing the Word

Scripture Reading Mark 1:29-39

Worship Music Caley & Lindsey Ortman

*More Beautiful You* - Diaz

Sermon "A Helping Hand" Gordon Smith

## Sharing our Response

\*Song *Will you let me be your servant* HWB 307

Sharing our Resources Faith Mission Plan &

Penny Power

Offertory Mindy Smith

Prayer of Dedication

Sharing Community Life Tammy Plank

Prayer of the People

## Going with Peace

\*Words of Blessing

\*Response

Caley & Lindsey Ortman

*Children of Light* - Woelk

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\*Congregation Stands (If standing is difficult, remain seated)

**Worship Leader:** *Tammy Plank*

**Pianist:** *Mindy Smith*

**Songleader:** *Jerry Friesen*

**Sound Tech:** *John Horn*

**Sanctuary Prep:** *Kathryn Penner*

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As followers of Jesus Christ, our mission is to

- worship together as a community of faith,
- invite everyone to share the gift of God's love,
- nurture each other in the faith,
- serve others in the spirit of Christ, and
- proclaim His way of peace, justice and reconciliation.

### PEACE LAMP

The prayer lamp at the front of the sanctuary is a reminder for us to pray for peace. May the burning of this lamp, and the prayers of our hearts, be pleasing to God as God calls us to be people of light, of hope, of resurrection. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

### CHILDCARE

Janet & Byron Ediger will provide care today during worship for children 3 and under. Next week, Deb Unruh & Brenda Martinez will be responsible.

### OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE for Jan. 29, 2012

Faith Mission Plan (FMP)	\$2,740.00
Sunday School	\$1.75
Building Fund	\$556.00
Other Giving	\$100.00
Penny Power	\$117.65
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$3,515.40

Attendance: Sunday School 81; Worship 152

### WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS

Sign up for the meal on the friendship sheet. The menu is Vegetable Soup, Bread & Dessert. Please bring bowls! \$2 per person, \$5 per family. See signup sheet in foyer to help with setup, desserts, and cleanup.

\*\*Please remember to bring your own table service to help keep costs down, and help preserve the environment.\*\*

## ***FAITH CHURCH FAMILY NEWS***

### **ON THE WAY WITH JESUS**

In our continuing worship series from the Gospel of Mark, as we near the end of the first chapter we are beginning to get a picture of the *priorities* of Jesus in his life and ministry, the "first things" on his To Do list - for example, proclaiming the good news (vs. 14-15); calling disciples (vs. 16-20)...what else? From today's passage (vs. 29-39), can you name some other priorities? As followers of Jesus, what are our "first things"?

Next Sunday: The compassion of Jesus; see Mark 1:40-45.

### **THIS WEEK**

#### Monday

6:30 p.m. Mission Circle (at MCC Center)

#### Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir

6:00 p.m. Meal

6:30 p.m. Kids Sing

7:00 p.m. Adult Study

7:00 p.m. Faith Kids

7:00 p.m. Jr. & Sr. High School Youth Group

7:00 p.m. Prayer Group

8:00 p.m. Adult Choir

#### Thursday

6:00 p.m. Bd. of Worship

7:00 p.m. Bd. of Fellowship

7:00 p.m. Bd. of Witness & Outreach

#### Sunday

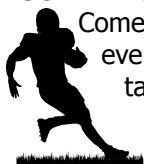
9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

10:30 a.m. Worship

4:00 p.m. Mentor's Game Night

### **SUPER BOWL/GAME NIGHT**



Come to fellowship hall today at 5 p.m. to enjoy an evening together watching football and/or playing table games. Bring lawn chairs, your favorite snack and table games; drinks will be provided. Kick off time is 5:25 p.m.

### **TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY**

Today is blood pressure Sunday. Come to the Health Wellness Room across from the nursery after the service to get your blood pressure checked.

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:**

Elmer Reimer (**Bev Fast's** father) passed away Sunday, Jan. 29 after having hip surgery. The service will be in Loveland, CO.

**Fern Rudiger** continues to be on hospice care at home.

**Western District Conference:**

Pray for a fuller heart and a greater mission for the participants in the February 11 seminar, "Maintenance to Missional: Looking Back So We Can Move Forward." Pray for a fullness of the Spirit for the presenters Wilbert Shenk, Conrad Kanagy, and Gilberto Flores.

**Mennonite Mission Network:**

Laura Schlabach of Mennonite Mission Network has ministered in Mongolia for nearly two decades. Pray with her as she discerns whether God is calling her to Altan Soembo, a new location within the country.

**ADULT CHOIR**

Rehearsals start this Wednesday at 8 p.m. All are welcome!

**HELP OVM AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU**

Dillons gift cards are available for purchase during the break this morning. We sell these to benefit the work of Offender Victim Ministries. The cards can be used at Dillons for groceries and prescriptions, and at Kwik Shop for gasoline, etc. OVM is very grateful for the support received from the use of these cards.

**RESERVE THE DATE**

The Annual Faith Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be August 18 & 19, 2012. Our weekend reservation does not include Friday night; however, if there are enough people (at least 20) who want to go out Friday evening and thus help cover the extra cost, it might still be available. Let someone from the Board of Fellowship know if you would like to go to camp already on Friday.

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**High School Youth**

Feb 8, 7:00 p.m. - Activity at Church

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## **FAITH MISSION CIRCLE**

Faith Mission Circle is this Monday at 6:30 p.m. We will be meeting at the MCC Center, North Newton, for a work night and Soup Supper. The project is items for MCC sewing kits, and the offering is for the kitchen fund. Please bring your own table service. If you haven't brought your can of soup to church ahead of time, please bring it along to the meeting.

## **MENTORS AND YOUTH**



Mark your calendar for an exciting youth event! We will be getting together with your mentors on Sunday February 12 from 4-6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a favorite table game and dessert. Pizza and pop provided. If you have any questions, please contact Janie Schmidt @ 316-283-0423. Looking forward to seeing you all!

## **SMALL GROUPS**

Small groups consist of all different types of people. We have small groups within our own church, and we have small groups that meet regularly outside of church. There are small groups that meet as a study group and others that meet as a social group. If you are interested in being in a small group, please contact Becky Allison and/or Janet Young (The Small Group Committee).

## **SHARING OUR FAITH**

Members of the Cornerstone Sunday School class are at Kidron Bethel this morning for worship with the residents in healthcare.

## ***BEYOND FAITH CHURCH***

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MENNONITE CHURCH USA!**



On Feb. 1, 2012, our denomination turned 10 years old. We invite you to join us in celebrating this milestone and giving thanks for the countless amazing ways that God's Spirit has been at work among us in this last decade—in our lives and relationships, in our congregations and communities, in our agencies and organizations. May God bless each of our congregations and strengthen us all in our efforts to live out our denominational vision: God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

## DYCK ARBORETUM

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The Prairie Window Concert Series at the Dyck Arboretum's new Prairie Pavilion in Hesston will feature Cyrille Aimee with Assaf Gleisner, appearing on Saturday, February 11, at 8:00 p.m. Cyrille's sultry jazz voice and Assaf Gliezner's masterful instrumental skills will be joined by hometown, jazz-scene, rising stars Aaron Linscheid and Brett Jackson. Reserved seating: Adults: \$20, Children \$12 by calling (620) 327-8127. Soup, homemade bread, and dessert catered by Claire Williams and Paula Sims will be served as options during intermission.

## ET CETERA SHOP STILL RECEIVING DONATIONS

Newton Et Cetera Shop is continuing to receive and process donations during its carpet and lighting renovation. The shop is also making a special appeal for furniture donations. Donors can drop off items Monday through Saturday, 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM, at the back door and request assistance by calling 316-283-9461. Furniture donation guidelines and renovation updates can be found at [newtonetceterashop.com](http://newtonetceterashop.com). Et Cetera will open again to the shopping public Monday, February 13.

## MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE



MDS is putting a group together to travel to Minot, North Dakota to help with clean-up after the flooding last spring. Please contact Gordon Unruh 620-834-2319 for more details, or if you're interested in going.

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Mennonite Church

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Lorisa Rich, Administrative Secretary	faith@sbcglobal.net
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### Appointed Personnel

Verda Deckert, Congregational Nurse	gvdeckert@sbcglobal.net
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