



Mennonite Church

January 5, 2020

10:30 am

Epiphany Sunday Unable To Go Back The Way We Came!

Gathering Music

Welcome

Call to Worship

All: God, what are we waiting for?

Prayer

Hope is a candle

STS 15

Responsive Reading (from Isaiah 60:1-6)

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around.

Organ: Arise! Shine! For our light has come.

Leader: The darkness shall no longer cover the earth.

Piano: Arise! Shine! For our light has come!

Leader: Gather your children and bring gifts to the Lord.

All: Arise! Shine! And be transformed!

Oh, beautiful star of Bethlehem

STS 32

Children's Time

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Special Music

Caleb G & Ethan N

Opus 20 Movement 2 Lento by Offenbach

Sharing and Prayer

(Please fill-in and pass the friendship sheets; Be sure to list # of people for the Wed. evening meal)

Scripture

Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon

Not the Same as When We Started

As with gladness men of old

HWB 218

Communion

Love came down at Christmas

HWB 208

Benediction

Musical Benediction

HWB = Blue Song Book

STJ = Green Song Book

STS = Purple Song Book

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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Preacher.....*Eric B*
Worship Leader.....*Jennifer H*
Song Leader.....*Marlene H*
Accompanists.....*Helen J*
Special Music.....*Caleb G*
.....*Ethan N*

Children's Story.....*Deb S*
Sanctuary Prep.....*Lorisa H*
Sound.....*Caleb G*
Ushers.....*Team A (Richard S)*

CHILDCARE

*For children ages three (3)
and under during worship*

- 01/05: Deb S & Harlan B

GREETERS

Front Door

- 01/05: Wilma L
- 01/12: Paul R

Back Door by Kitchen

- 01/05: Gene K
- 01/12: Joyce G



Welcome

Welcome to Faith Mennonite Church. We are glad you are here.

If you need a **listening assistance device or a large print bulletin**, please ask an usher.

Please be sure to let us know you were here today by signing your name on the Friendship Sheets as they pass down the pews during Sharing or Offering Time. Guests, please feel free to include your contact information.

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.**

FAITH FAMILY NEWS

WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES will resume this week, January 8. The schedule will be as follows:

- 5:30 - Meal served for bell choir, teachers, and kids
- 5:45 - Meal served for everyone
- 6:00 - 7:00 - Bell Choir Rehearsal and Kids Classes
- 6:30 - 7:15 - Adult Study - The Jesus Creed
- 7:00 - Faith Youth Group

This schedule will run for 10 weeks through March 11.

THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL for this week is Chicken Spaghetti and tossed salad. The cost is \$2.00 per person. Please mark the number in your family who will be attending on the Friendship Sheets as they are passed during sharing time, and think about guests you could invite who would enjoy this time of food, fellowship, and study!

THE SIGN UP TO BRING DESSERTS or fruit for our Wednesday Night meals is available on the table in the foyer. The Board of Fellowship would also really appreciate help with clean-up after the meal. Thanks for helping out!

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS Nurses will be in the Health Wellness Room immediately following worship today to check blood pressures. Please stop by to have yours checked.

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR PRAYERS and other acts of love and support to myself and Roy during my illness. The doctors said I was a miracle. Great is our God. ~ Mildred M

THANK YOU to everyone who supported me during the past several months, as I walked with my mother on her final journey home. I have felt God's peace through your words of comfort and prayers, and appreciated your cards and flowers after her passing. Blessings, Darlene and Mike

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE for Payton Rose, the 11-year old who passed away right after Christmas, will be held here at Faith on Saturday, January 11 at 11:00 am. Please keep the Rose family and the community in prayer during this difficult time.

FAITH MISSION CIRCLE will meet Monday, January 6 at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The program will be by Sheri S and Leslie H on "Inspiration and Hopefulness at Work". The offering is for KS Mennonite Disaster service. The project will be for Safe Hope. The items they are most in need of are diapers size 4 & 5, hair brushes, nonperishable food, bras/socks/underwear, larger bottle of shampoo/conditioner. Everyone is welcome.

AS 2020 BEGINS you are invited to join us on Mondays at 5:30 for a gentle beginners yoga class led by certified instructor Barb T. This outreach program provided for our church family and community is sponsored by the Board of Witness and Outreach and is a wonderful time to stretch, relax, and enjoy some quiet time while improving strength and balance. All are welcome!

WE HAVE BEEN INVITED to join a community-wide effort to provide snacks for students at Opportunity Academy here in Newton, which is an alternative school option that serves kids when traditional school isn't their best option. They serve close to 50 students and approximately 30 of those are from Ember Hope. Our week to provide snacks is this coming week, and Board of Witness and Outreach is sponsoring the cost of these snacks. We invite your prayers for the students, teachers, and staff at Opportunity Academy this week.

PASTOR MARSHALL will be on sabbatical January 5 - February 16. He will not be available during this time.

BEYOND FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

EVERENCE will host its popular workshop, Make Medicare an Easy Step, in North Newton on Tuesday, Jan. 7 and in Hutchinson on Thursday, Jan. 9. Both will begin at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. The workshop is free, but space is limited! Reserve your spot by contacting Michelle Ramer at 316-283-3800 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

NEWTON ET CETERA SHOP thanks you for your generous support in 2019! We invited you to SHOP, DONATE and VOLUNTEER, and YOU DID! With the help of 260 volunteers, we've sold over 500,000 items this year! If you'd like to join our volunteers, please attend an upcoming **new volunteer orientation on Thurs., Jan. 9, 6-7 PM or Tues., Feb. 11, 6-7 PM**. We're currently seeking volunteers to help with costumes, greeting cards, holiday items and clerking. Blessings for the new year to you from Newton Et Cetera Shop!

THE NEUF MEMORIAL RUN - The Neuf 9K and 2 mile run returns to the campus of Bethel College on Jan. 11, 2020 to honor the memory of Russ Neufeld, a former MC USA and Hesston College employee. The race will start at 10 a.m. outside of Mojo's Coffee Shop on the campus of Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas. The Neuf will raise funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and the Russ Neufeld memorial scholarship at Hesston College. Register & read other details about the race at www.runtheneuf.neuf.ca. We would love to have you join us for this fun community event!

WESTERN DISTRICT WOMEN IN MISSION in cooperation with Everence Financial will host a two-day conference "Let's Talk...Women, Money & Faith" on January 24 and 25 at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, KS. Featured speakers, Teresa Boshart Yoder and Rhoda Blough, from Everence Financial will address money and faith topics for women of all ages and stages of life. More information and registration information will be coming soon.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED in Eureka, KS to help MDS complete repairs from the July 2018 tornado. Workdays are scheduled for these dates:

Friday, January 10th & Saturday, January 11th

Friday, January 17th & Saturday, January 18th

Friday, January 24th & Saturday, January 25th

Transportation will be available from the Newton/Hutchinson/Wichita area each day. Lodging is available if you would like to stay overnight Friday into Saturday. Meals & tools will all be provided. Groups of 10 to 15 are need to each day to complete roofing, window & door replacement, exterior siding & trim repairs. Please contact Jordan Miller to reserve your spot today, call, text or email - 316-217-4570 or jordanmiller795@gmail.com.

BETHEL COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENT

CENTERING PRAYER resumes tomorrow, Mon., Jan. 6, after the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Centering Prayer meets most Mondays from noon-1 p.m. in Agape Center in Richert House on the Bethel College campus. Try it once, come occasionally or join us regularly - all are welcome, with no previous experience with Centering Prayer required. For more information, contact Nathan Koontz, 2nathankoontz@gmail.com,

This Week (01/05/2020 - 01/12/2020)

Monday

5:30 PM - Yoga

Tuesday

6:00 PM - Board of Worship

7:00 PM - Board of Witness & Outreach

Wednesday

5:30 PM - Bell Choir, Kids, & Teachers Eat

5:45 - Everyone Eats

6:00 - Kids Classes Begin

Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:30 - Adult Class Begins

7:00 - Youth Group

Saturday

11:00 AM - Payton Rose Memorial Service

Sunday

9:00 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Coffee & Fellowship

10:30 AM - Worship

Please have all bulletin
announcements and calendar
items to the office by Wednesday
Thanks!

Attendance for December 29, 2019

Worship: 155

Sunday School - 56

Board of Administration's Contact Person:

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