



Mennonite Church

January 21, 2018

10:30 am

The Beginning of the Good News

Music for Meditation *Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place*

Call to Worship

On Screen

* Songs

Rain Down

STJ 49

Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

STJ 3

Scripture Reading

Psalm 62:5-8 (*Inclusive*)

Of Jesus Christ

Offering Our Gifts to God

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Carter

(*My Coins Count Collection*)

Prayer of Dedication

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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

Prayer of the Congregation

Ladies' Ensemble

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Children's Time

* Song

Blessing and Honor

STS 109

Scripture Reading

Mark 2:1-12 (*NIV*)

Sermon

A Faith Worth Digging For

The Son of God

* Song

Will You Come and Follow Me

STS 39

Blessing

Musical Benediction

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

Hymnal used in worship: HWB - Hymnal a Worship Book (Blue)
STJ - Sing the Journey (Green)
STS - Sing the Story (Purple)

Preacher: *Marshall A*

Worship Leader: *Wilma L*

Song Leader: *Tom G*

Accompanist: *Marlene H*

Special Music: *Ladies' Ensemble*

Children's Time: *Rachel S*

Sanctuary Prep: *Janice P*

Slides: *Jennifer H*

Sound: *Nathan G*

Ushers: *Team A (Richard S)*

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.

WELCOME

Welcome to Faith Mennonite Church. We are glad you are with us this day.

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

CHILDCARE

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

- 01/21: Verda D & Kathryn P
- 01/28: Harlan & Grace B

GREETERS

Front Door

- 01/21: Sara R
- 01/28: Sara R
- 02/04: Gyles G Family

Back Door by Kitchen

- 01/21: Galen R
- 01/28: Galen R
- 02/04: Gyles G Family

FAITH CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

THANKS! ... To all of you who gave of your time as volunteers, preparing meals, and for your support with prayers for volunteers, staff, and residents of New Hope Shelter. ~ *Grace B, Team Leader/Representative*

THE FELLOWSHIP FUND ... Is to help our members who have unexpected needs. This fund is not part of our budget. We are asking for donations to replenish some funds at the beginning of this new year. Please make your check out to Faith Mennonite Church and earmark it for the Fellowship Fund. Thank you for your support. ~ *The Board of Deacons*

MY COMMITMENT TO FAITH CHURCH ... Forms are in your church mailboxes this morning. The information gathered from your responses will assist the new boards as different service opportunities occur. Please complete your copy and return it to a box in the foyer by Sunday, February 4, 2018. If you prefer, you may also complete the same survey online at <https://tinyurl.com/Faith2018>.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL ... For 01/24/18 is borscht, relish tray, bread, and dessert. Make your reservation on the friendship sheet today (01/21/17). If you can help with bringing a dessert or with cleanup, please sign up on the clipboard in the foyer. Please remember to bring your table service and a \$2.00 per person donation.

YOUTH ANNUAL CHILI FUNDRAISER MEAL ... Will be Sunday, January 28, 2018, following worship. Please plan to join us. Your support of Faith's Youth Group is greatly appreciated. Please bring your own table service.

ANNUAL MEETING ... Will be held on Sunday, January 28, 2018, immediately following the Youth Chili Fundraiser. Please plan to attend the annual meeting of our church. At this meeting we will review the activities of the congregation during the past year. We will be taking action on a proposal to use the J family bequest funds for various projects. We will also be looking forward to the future as our Pastors share some thoughts on their vision and hopes for Faith Mennonite Church. This is an important time in the life of our church community. ~ *Jim S, Moderator*

ATTENTION FAITH MISSION CIRCLE MEMBERS ... Mary R's birthday is January 29, 2018. Let us shower her with cards and e-mail best wishes. Contact the church office for contact information.

SUPER BOWL PARTY & GAME NIGHT ... Hosted by the Board of Fellowship will be Sunday, February 4, 2018, at 5:00 pm. You will find an invitation in your mailbox today with more information. Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

Western District Conference ...

Pray for health and strength for WDC church planters and their families, and that God would continue to open doors as they reach out into their communities.

BEYOND FAITH CHURCH

FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO VIEW ... “Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War”, the special traveling exhibit at Kauffman Museum on conscientious objection by Mennonites and others during the **First World War**. The exhibit closes today (01/21/18) at 4:30 pm. The museum is open today 1:30-4:30 pm. There is an admission charge for non-museum members.

THANKS ... For all the offers to go pick up the old Tractor at Bakersfield, CA for the KS MCC Sale. The tractor will be delivered soon. THANKS for all your support of the MCC Sale. We are still looking donations of cars, trucks, motorcycles, tractors, farm machinery and GOOD items for the KS MCC Sale. Call Jerry T.

THANK YOU ... So much for your continued support in making and donating comforters for MCC. This past year, MCC sent 49,223 blankets and comforters to people experiencing war, displacement, and natural disasters in Bosnia, Iraq, Jordan, North Korea, Somalia, and Ukraine. 1,958 of those came from the Central States region! MCC continues to receive more requests for comforters from our partners around the world.

KAUFFMAN MUSEUM'S ANNUAL ... Kansas Day event is January 27, 2018, 1:00-4:00 pm, special activities in and around the museum; theme is “On the Trail Again”, rounding out a year-long celebration of 150 years of the Chisholm Trail.

FIFTH CONCERT ... Of the 2017-18 Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring Mollie O'B & Rich M, will be on Sunday, January 28, 2018, at 4:00 pm, at the Dyck Arboretum in Hesston. Join us for an evening of great music and good food in a prairie garden setting. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. Purchase tickets online or call the Arboretum to reserve your seats.

BETHEL COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR ... Home concert (following their tour in Europe – France, Germany, the Netherlands and Switzerland – during January) is Sunday, January 28, 2018, 7:00 pm, Memorial Hall - Bethel College Campus.

2018 WINTER LECTURE SERIES ... For the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains begins on January 30, 2018, at 6:30 pm, with Jeff H speaking about "Creating Bird Friendly Habitat". The lecture will take place in the Prairie Pavilion, with a soup supper preceding it at 6:00 pm, in the Visitor's Center. The cost of the lecture is \$5 per person, or supper and the lecture is \$10. Interested persons should call the Arboretum by 5:00 pm on January 26, 2018, for supper reservations.

BETHEL COLLEGE ALUMNI BOWLING NIGHT ... Is Thursday, February 1, 2018, 7:00-9:00 pm, at the Play-Mor Lanes (1105 Washington, Rd, Newton). We will have lanes reserved for you to enjoy an evening of bowling. The first 25 RSVP's will bowl for free! \$7 per person after the first 25. Please RSVP by Monday, January 29, 2018. For more information and to RSVP please contact Brad K. This Bethel College Alumni Association event sponsored by: Bluestem Communities.

SAVE THE DATE ... For the upcoming Comforter Blitz in Yoder, Kansas, taking place on March 5-7, 2018, as we work together to bring comfort to our brothers and sisters around the world. More info, see mcc.org/comforter-blitz/

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN ... For the academic conference "Mennonites and the Holocaust," to be held on the Bethel College campus March 16-17, 2018, with speakers and scholars from Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Ukraine and the United States. See mla.bethelk.edu/MennosandHolocaust for more information or to register online.

**Join us for
Intergenerational Wednesday Evenings**



Getting to Know Newton

Session 1: Introduction to Newton

Session 2: Getting to Know USD373

Session 3: Hearing from our Public Servants

Session 4: Business in Newton



**CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING
THIS WINTER (DECEMBER-FEBRUARY)
DURING THE SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR AT 9:00 AM**

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

Nursery/Preschool - *"Journeys with Jesus"*

Main floor, #207; Teacher: Brenda M

K-4th Grade - *"Journeys with Jesus"*

Basement, #103; Teacher: Naomi W

Middle School/Grades 5-8 - *"Journeys with Jesus"*

Basement, #105; Teacher: Jonathan H

High School - *"Journeys with Jesus"*

Basement, FYG Room; Teachers: Marshall A, Verda D,
Sara R, Oris S

ADULTS:

Lamp Lighters - *Book Study: Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis

Basement, #125; Teacher: Shari S

Open Class - *"Journeys with Jesus"*

Basement, Open Area; Teachers: Members of the Class

Cornerstones - *"Faith in Action"*

Basement, #124; Teachers: Members of the Class

**Join
Us!!**

This Week (01/22/2018 to 01/28/2018)

Monday

6:00 pm Zumba

Tuesday

6:30 pm Church Council

Wednesday

6:00 pm Wednesday Meal

6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm Faith Kids Sing

7:00 pm Intergenerational: Getting to Know Newton

Saturday

3:00-8:00 pm Facility Reserved - MD

Sunday

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Coffee & Fellowship

10:30 am Worship

~ *Mark 2:13-22*

11:45 am Youth Annual Chili

Fundraiser Meal

12:45 pm Annual Meeting

Please have all announcements and calendar items for next week into the church office by *noon on Wednesday*.

Attendance for January 14, 2018:

Sunday School: 74

Worship: 141

My Coins Count 2018:

1/14 Offering: \$ 35.33

Total To Date: \$ 55.33

Board of Administration's Contact Persons For January:

John H

Board of Deacons' Contact Person For January:

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