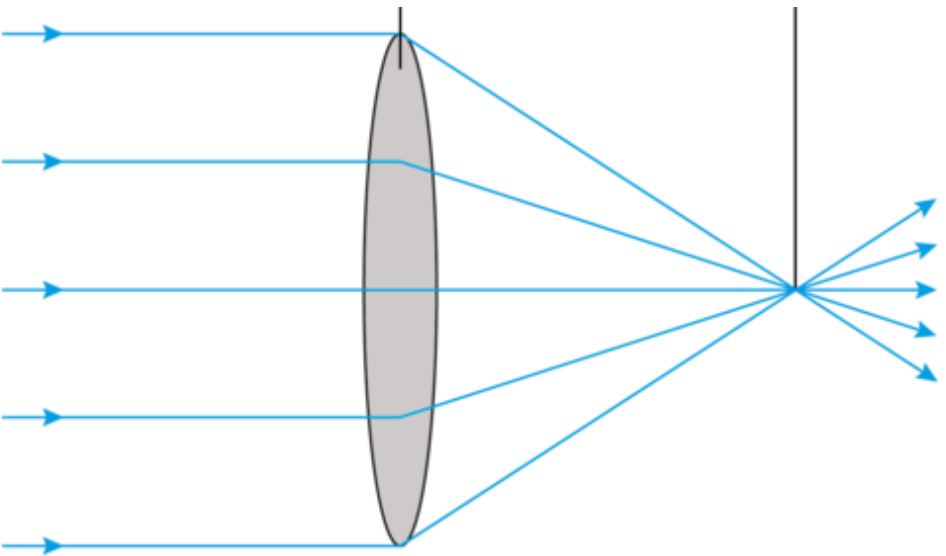


FOCAL POINT



PART 4 OF 4



Mennonite Church

March 15, 2020

10:30 am

Gathering Music—*Hallelujah*

Welcome

Call to Worship

From Ashes to the Living Fount v.1,2,4

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Scripture Reading—Exodus 17:1-7

L: We are not alone, we live in God's world.

All: **We believe in God, who has created and is creating,
Who has come in Jesus to reconcile
And to make all things new.**

**We trust in God, who calls us to be the church;
To celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation,
To love and serve others, to seek justice and to resist evil,
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone.**

Children's Time

Offering & Penny Power—*Another in the Fire*

Prayer of Dedication

Great are You Lord

Sharing and Prayer

(Please fill-in and pass the friendship sheets)

Scripture—Matthew 13:36-46

Sermon—Seeds, Weeds, and Reckless Spending

Go in Peace

Benediction

Musical Benediction

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Preacher.....*Marshall Anderson*
Worship Leader.....*Gary G*
Song Leader*Tom G*
Accompanists.....*Tammy P*
Special Music*Music Group*

Children's Story*Shari S*
Sanctuary Prep*Lent Team*
Sound*Nathan G*
Slides*Kathy S*
Ushers*Team B (Andrew P)*

CHILDCARE

For children ages three (3)

- 03/15: Deb S &
Margo G
- 03/22: Joni J &
Vicki H

GREETERS

Front Door

- 03/15: Ken J
- 03/22: Paul L

Back Door by Kitchen

- 03/15: Loren R
- 03/22: Gene K



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.

Children's bulletins, crayons, coloring books, and drawing paper are in the stand by the sound booth.

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.

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

LINDSAY ANDERSON will be out of the office this week. Kathy Garber will be in to take care of all things office.

SAVE THE DATE! Vacation Bible School will be May 26-29 at First Mennonite in the evenings. Worship in the park on May 31. All six Mennonite churches are planning for 100+ children from our families, friends and neighbors to come and learn about God's Great Big Beautiful World. Kathy S is Faith's contact for VBS.

THE MENNONITE MAGAZINE renewals and new subscriptions are due on Sunday, March 29. Subscription Forms are on the credenza in the foyer. Renewals are \$37 and new subscriptions are \$30. Please put your check with "The Mennonite Subscription" in the memo line and subscription form in the offering or in the box in the foyer.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS and Bible Study have ended for this season, but bell choir, adult choir, and youth group will still continue to meet!

BEYOND FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

LEADERSHIP LAUNCH: Celebrating and Looking Ahead! - All are invited to a free dessert reception recognizing 5 years of joint partnership of Western District Conference and South Central Conference with Kansas Leadership Center (KLC), on Monday, March 30, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at KLC, 325 E Douglas Avenue, Wichita, KS. Refreshments will be served, with a brief program at 7:00 p.m. featuring greetings and stories from KLC, WDC and SCC about how adaptive leadership is strengthening the church and its ministry. This will also be a time to learn about training opportunities through WDC/SCC's Leadership Transformation Grant from KLC. The 2020 grant covers full registration cost for a selected number of participants to attend one of KLC's three primary leadership training programs. For more information, see: <http://mennowdc.org/grants/>.

PRAIRIE BRONZE SPRING CONCERT will be on April 5, 2020 at 3PM at First Presbyterian Church, 900 Columbus Ave in Newton. There will be vocal selections by Woven, Bethel Colleges' woman's ensemble and music from the Prairie Bronze Handbell Ensemble. This promises to be a great concert.

THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEERS are needed for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale to be a success April 17 & 18, 2020. Sign up to help make New Year's Cookies; Serve or Wait Tables at Feeding of the Multitude; Sell Plants & Things; Serve Verenike/ Sausage in Domestic Arts. Check with Byron & Janet E where the need is and how to sign up..

DISMANTLING THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY: Are you interested in exploring issues related to the love and loss of land? Here are three events to consider:

- *The Loss of Turtle Island*, March 22, 5:30-7:30 pm, at First Church of the Brethren 1103 Jefferson St. Wichita, KS 67203. Presenters: Lois Harder and Michael Unruh. This participatory experience highlights the relationship between European settlers and indigenous or Native Americans and land justice.
- Two showings of the Ted & Co. drama "*We Own This Now*," Sunday, April 19, 7 pm at University United Methodist Church, 2220 N Yale Ave, Wichita, KS sponsored by Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church and Mennonite Church of the Servant. Tickets: Adults \$20 donation (or pay what you can), Students \$10 donation (or pay what you can), Indigenous people attend at no cost.
- also showing Sunday, April 26, 4 pm, Flaming Performing Arts Center, Tabor College, Hillsboro KS - sponsored First Mennonite Church and Trinity Mennonite Church and Tabor College, all of Hillsboro, KS, Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church, Goessel, KS, MCC Central States, and WDC. This FREE drama is underwritten by generous donors. Contact Lindsay in the office to get the link to purchase tickets to either showing online.

For questions, contact Kathy Neufeld Dunn at 316-283-6300.

GET READY for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale on April 17 & 18, 2020 at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson. What can you bring as your gift to the hungry and hurting at home and abroad? Quality woodwork and needlework items, cotton tea towels, hobby items, crafts, plants and baked foods are much in demand. Donate items for the General, Silent and Children's Auctions. We call upon quilters to complete their quilts and to gather extra supplies to donate to Quilters' Corner. Begin to divide house plants and start vegetable plants to sell at Plants & Things and tea towel sets for Kansas Crafts. Participate in the Run for Relief, a 5K run/walk, the Saturday of the sale and gather pledges. Stay up-to-date on all things relating to Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale by liking us on Facebook at Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale or our website at www.kansas.mccsale.org If you have pictures of items you are donating, send to photos@kansas.mccsale.org to items can be advertised online.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES at KMRS: The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale invites you to join our family. There is variety of committee openings including an Urgent Need for a Treasurer; Domestic Arts Verenike Booth Committee Members; Feeding the Multitude Sausage Baking Chair on Saturday; Verenike Frying Chair Friday; and New Year's Cookie committee. See Byron or Janet E for details on these opportunities.

THE LATEST ISSUE of WDC Garden is now available on the credenza in the foyer. WDC Garden is a quarterly newsletter to help you know what's going on in WDC!

BETHEL COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY (Sun., March 15) is the last day to view “City of Hope: Resurrection City and the 1968 Poor People’s Campaign,” a Smithsonian traveling exhibit, 1:30-4:30 p.m., at Kauffman Museum.

IN THE REGIER GALLERY in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College: “Forthcoming,” works by David Long, March 16-April 3. Regular gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, 2-4 p.m. Sundays (hours may change for Bethel College spring break, March 22-29).

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 – KIPCOR Peace Lecture and 35th anniversary fundraiser with Sarah Smarsh, author of the award-winning *Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth*, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall at Bethel College; for tickets, go to www.eventbrite.com/e/bridging-the-cultural-divide-in-difficult-times-with-sarah-smarsh-tickets-97795423745

CAMP MENNOSCAH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAM INSTALLATION at Camp Mennoscah! On March 22 at approximately 2pm, we will be putting the dam back in. You are invited to watch the process or to help. Wear appropriate clothes for how you plan to participate and for whatever weather may occur. Watch the Camp Mennoscah Facebook page for any changes.

REFRESH AND RENEW! Camp Mennoscah's Retirees Retreat is April 20-22. We will hear about experiences with Mennonite Disaster Service, travel to the Mennonite Museum in Khiva, Uzbekistan, and enjoy Bible Study, singing, and fellowship over coffee breaks. Contact us at 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org for a brochure! You can also register online at www.campmennoscah.org. Be a part of some serious relaxation!

KITCHEN STAFF NEEDED for summer youth camps at Camp Mennoscah! Kitchen volunteers can choose to receive a parent discount up to full camp fees. No special chef, sous chef, or pastry chef skills needed. Kitchen volunteers are needed for June 7-13, June 14-18, June 21-27, July 12-18, July 19-25, and July 26-31. Contact us at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or call 620-297-3290. Free camp tee included.

THE 2020 CAMP MENNOSCAH T-SHIRT is up to you! We're looking for three two word phrases that represent the important parts of Camp Mennoscah to you! The best combination of phrases will become our camp tee! One (generic) example would be River play, Campfire songs, Love all. Be creative! Send all your stunning ideas to olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org. (Or send a message to the Camp Mennoscah Facebook page.)

This Week (03/16/2020-03/22/2020)

Monday

5:30 PM - Yoga

Wednesday

7:30 AM - Ladies Breakfast

6:00 PM - Bell Choir

7:00 PM - Youth Group

8:00 PM - Adult Choir Practice

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 March 8, 2020

Worship: 135

Sunday School: 59

Board of Administration's Contact Person:

Jim Y

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Sermon Notes