

F.A.I.T.H

Mennonite Church

Sunday, April 8, 2018

10:30 am

We Come from Many Places

Music for Meditation *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* arr. by Stewart

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer

* Song *Come Let Us All Unite to Sing* HWB 12

We Bring What We Have

Offering *Majesty ... Unto Jesus be All Glory, Honor, and Praise*
(*My Coins Count Collection*)

Prayer of Dedication

* Songs *Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah* HWB 50
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name HWB 285

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

(*Please fill-in and pass the friendship sheets*)

Prayer of the Congregation with the Lord's Prayer

Receiving What God Has for Us

Handbell Choir *Meditations on the Theme of Peace* by Derek Hakes
Dedicated to all the victims of violence and terrorism worldwide.

Children's Time

Scripture Reading Acts 2:42-47

Sermon Filled with Awe

We Carry Good News to Many Places

* Song *Jesus be the Center* STS 31

* Blessing

* Musical Benediction *The Blessing of Aaron*

*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)

Worship Participants:

Preacher: *Marshall A*
Song Leader: *Gyles G*
Accompanist: *Tom G, Naomi W*
Children's Time: *Kathy S*

Special Music: *Handbell Choir*
Sanctuary Prep: *Kathryn P*
Slides: *Kathy S*
Sound: *Jesús M, Jr*
Ushers: *Team C (Chuck 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 here

During April and May, we are exploring Mennonite beliefs and practices using the Mennonite World Conference (MWC) shared convictions as our guide. This week is Conviction #1: God is known to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Creator who seeks to restore fallen humanity by calling a people to be faithful in fellowship, worship, service, and witness. You may learn more about MWC at <https://mwc-cmm.org/>

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

To join our all-church email list, place your email address next to your name on the Friendship Sheet.



CHILDCARE

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

- 04/08: Pam S &
Naomi W
- 04/15: Margo G &
Deb S
- 04/22: Oris & Kathy S
- 04/29: Vicki H & Joni J

GREETERS

Front Door

- 04/08: Verda D
- 04/15: Janice P
- 04/22: Janice P

Back Door by Kitchen

- 04/08: Joyce G
- 04/15: Vernon P
- 04/22: Vernon P

FAITH CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

MY COINS COUNT ... Offering ends today (04/08/18). All funds go to the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. See back of bulletin for totals.

MCC SALE IS APRIL 13 AND 14 ... Please take time to view the handmade crafts to view by the congregation today (04/08/18).

REMINDER ... All food and items that you wish to be taken to the sale should be brought to the church by 9:00 am, Friday, April 13, 2018. The doors will be open by 7:00 am so that you can drop off your items before you work. Thank you for the many ways you support the MCC Sale. For questions, call Byron or Janet B.

NO POPCORN IN THE PIT ... For April and May. We encourage people to support the MCC Sale April 13-14, 2018, and the Newton High School Pops and Jazz Concert May 12, 2018. We will resume June 9, 2018.

CAMP MENNOSCAH ... Early registration for Camp Mennoscah is coming up soon. ***Registrations are due to the church office by next Sunday, April 15, 2018.*** Brochures and registration forms are on the table in the foyer. ~ *Board of Witness & Outreach - Harold W, Jesús M, Sr, Roy U, Darlene P, Arlys S, Marshall A*

THANK YOU ... The handbell choir expresses thanks and appreciation to the congregation for giving us your continued support by approving money from the Bequest Fund to be used to purchase an additional low chime and three top bells used in our "Peace Meditation" this morning. We could not have done this without them and your support. ~ *Bell Choir Members*

INTERESTED IN A SMALL GROUP? ... If you're interested in a small group, the Board of Witness and Outreach invites you to join us for lunch on Sunday, April 22, 2018, in the fellowship hall to discuss options for, and possibly, organize one or more groups. Lunch and table service will be provided.

QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: We will have the first 2018 Quarterly Congregational meeting on April 15, 2018, following the carry-in meal. We will approve the minutes of the 2017 annual meeting which will be sent by e-mail in advance. There will be a report from the church Treasurer and Council on the financial outlook for this year. We will also review our Safe Sanctuary Policy and the Pastors will talk about our priorities of invitation and proclaiming peace. We meet to attend to "business" as well as to build a sense of community in our life together. ~ *Jim S, Moderator*

BEYOND FAITH CHURCH

Western District Conference ...

In this Year of Evangelism, pray that WDC congregations grow in their willingness and capacity to share the gospel - the good news of God's kingdom breaking into the world through Jesus!

HESSTON-BETHEL PERFORMING ARTS ... Presents the Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra with Berta R, guitar, today (04/08/18), 4:00 pm, Memorial Hall-Bethel College (ticket purchase required for non-season ticket holders of HBPA or NMKSO).

KANSAS MENNONITE MEN'S CHORUS ... A 250-member chorus, in its 50th season, is presenting concerts the next two weeks. The program includes hymns, gospel, and bluegrass selections, accompanied by piano, brass, strings, or a bluegrass group. Included in the program are "Clap Your Hands Together", "Mornin' Train", "Oh Sing to the Lord", "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God", and "Walk By Faith". In addition to a short concert at the Kansas Relief Sale, concerts are Sunday, April 8, 2018, 7:00 pm, Central Community Church, 6100 W Maple, Wichita, and Sunday, April 15, 2018, 7:00 pm, Memorial Hall- Bethel College Campus. Admission is free with an offering taken to fund the global ministry efforts of Mennonite Central Committee.

HARVEY COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ... Is now taking applications for its next home. Qualifying applicants must demonstrate housing need, have the ability to pay a monthly mortgage payment, and be willing to partner with Harvey County Habitat for Humanity. To learn more and obtain an application packet, applicants must attend one of the following meetings: 3:00 pm, today (04/08/18), or 7:00 pm, tomorrow (04/09/18). Both meetings will be held at First United Methodist Church (801 N Main, Newton). For more information, call Chris.

COMMUNITY PLAYSCHOOL BOARD ... Will hold their Annual Corporation meeting on April 9, 2018, 7:15 pm, in Room 14 at the Bethel College Mennonite Church. This meeting is open to the public and is a great way to hear all about what is happening at the Community Playschool. Please join us. ~ *The Board of Community Playschool*

DINE OUT 2 DONATE ... Is New Hope Shelter's upcoming fundraiser. On Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 5:00-8:00 pm, participating restaurants will be contributing 10-20% of your total order to New Hope Shelter!!!! WOW! GREAT food and an opportunity to support an AMAZING agency which is impacting men, women, and children experiencing homelessness in Harvey, Marion, and McPherson Counties. See flyer on bulletin board for participating restaurants. For more information, visit New Hope Shelter's Facebook page.

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ... Is offering three free webinars this spring for churches who want to learn more about how to address sexualized violence within their congregation and how to encourage healthy sexuality and healthy masculinity among members. The webinars will be led by church leaders and others with expertise in the topics. All three webinars are 2:00-3:00 pm CST, beginning April 11, 2018. Learn more and register for the webinars at mcc.org/wwwso. Flyer is posted on bulletin board in foyer.

50TH ANNUAL KANSAS MENNONITE RELIEF SALE .. Is April 13-14, 2018. See information tables in the foyer, flyer on the entry doors. For additional details read online at <https://kansas.mccsale.org/>.

NEW YEAR'S COOKIES ... Come be part of a well oiled machine! Every year, more than 150 volunteers help to produce nearly 35,000 new year's cookies in 2 days. That's about 1 cookie every 1.3 seconds while we are frying! Shifts are available starting at 2:00 pm. on Friday, April 13, 2018, and 7:00 am, on Saturday morning, April 14, 2018. Visit <http://Kansas.mccsale.org/volunteer> to sign up to help.

KIPCOR ... (The Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution) at Bethel College will host "Restorative Kansas" on the Bethel campus Thursday-Friday, April 19-20, 2018 – the first-ever statewide conference on restorative justice in Kansas. For more information and to register online, go to kipcor.org.

CONSIDER THE CONVERSATION 2 ... Hosted by Newton Medical Center on April 20 2018, 10:00-11:30 am, will feature "A Discussion on Advance Care Planning". Join us for a free discussion on advance care planning. Attendees will have the opportunity to view clips of the Emmy-nominated documentary "Consider the Conversation 2: Stories about Cure, Relief, and Comfort". The film highlights the value of palliative care and shows viewers what end-of-life conversations with medical professionals look like, sound like and feel like. It shares first-hand accounts of doctors, caregivers and patients as they navigate the end-of-life journey and the questions and decisions that go along with fighting disease. The discussion will feature a special Q&A panel of advance care planning experts

MASTERWORKS ... At Bethel College will be Mozart's *Requiem*, Sunday, May 6, 2018. The chorus is open to any interested singers. Rehearsals two weeks before the concert. Contact Dr. William E, for more information, including a complete rehearsal schedule.



**CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING
THIS SPRING (MARCH-MAY)
DURING THE SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR AT 9:00 AM**

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

Nursery/Preschool - "God's Good News"
Main floor, #207; Teacher: Brenda M
K-4th Grade - "God's Good News"
Basement, #103; Teacher: Naomi W

Middle School/Grades 5-8 - "God's Good News"
Basement, #105; Teacher: Jonathan H, Tammy P

High School - "God's Good News"
Basement, FYG Room; Teachers: Marshall A, Verda D,
Sara R, Oris S

ADULTS:

Lamp Lighters - *Book Study: Missional Essentials*
Basement, #125; Teacher: Shari S

Open Class - "God's Good News"
Basement, Open Area; Teachers: Members of the Class

Cornerstones - "Acknowledging God"
Basement, #124; Teachers: Members of the Class



This Week (04/08/2018 to 04/15/2018)

Monday

6:00 pm Zumba

Tuesday

6:00 pm Board of Worship

7:00 pm Board of Deacons

7:00 pm Board of Fellowship

Wednesday

6:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal

7:00 pm High School Youth Group

Friday

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

(State Fair Grounds - Hutchinson)

Saturday

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

(State Fair Grounds - Hutchinson)

NO Popcorn in the Pit

Sunday

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Coffee & Fellowship

10:30 am Worship

~ Acts 3

7:00 pm Kansas Mennonite Men

Chorus - *Memorial Hall*

(Bethel College Campus)

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

Attendance for April 1, 2018:

Sunday School: 0

Worship: 143

My Coins Count 2018:

Total To Date: \$ 1,215.56

Board of Administration's Contact Person For April:

Mike Schmidt - (316) 648-2570

Board of Deacons' Contact Person For April:

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