

F A I T H

Mennonite Church

August 11, 2019

10:30 am

LEADING QUALITIES

Speaking Boldly

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude to Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 33

Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous.

It is fitting for the just to praise God.

Praise the Lord with the harp.

Make music to the Lord on stringed instruments.

Sing to the Lord a new song.

Play skillfully, and shout for joy.

For the word of the Lord is right and true.

God is faithful in all he does.

The Lord loves righteousness and justice.

The earth is full of God's unfailing love.

Let the earth revere the Lord.

Let all the people of the earth revere the Lord.

Prayer

Praise in Song

For the beauty of the earth (vs. 1,2,4,5)

Come thou Fount

HWB 89

Henry J, Alice J

Affirming Our Faith

Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we are surrounded

by such a great cloud of witnesses:

We throw off everything that hinders us

and the sin that so easily entangles us.

We run with determination the race marked out before us.

We fix our eyes on Jesus,

the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

*For the joy set before him,
Jesus endured the cross, scorning its shame,
and thus, sat down at the seat of honor
beside the throne of God.*

*Consider Jesus,
who endured so much opposition from so many,
so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.*

Offering and Offertory (Please fill in and pass the Friendship Sheets)
Minuet in G - Bach Lisa S & Gavin H
Prayer of Dedication

Sharing and Prayer
Children's Story

Remembrances: The Journey to Rome Acts 28: 1-16
Lord speak to me (vs. 1,3,4,6) HWB 499
Scripture Lesson Acts 28:17-31
Sermon
What If...
Prayer

Sending Song
How can we be silent (vs.1,2,3,5) STJ 61
Benediction
Musical Benediction

HWB = Blue Song Book STJ = Green Song Book STS = Purple Song Book
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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Preacher Randy S
Worship Leader Gene K
Song Leader Gyles G
Accompanist..... Lisa S
Special Music..... Henry J. Alice J
Children's Story.....Randy S
Sanctuary Prep
Slides Gary G
Sound..... Allen J
Ushers Team A (Richard S)

CHILDCARE

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

- 08/04 Mark J
Harlan B
- 08/18: Retreat
- 08/25: Margo G
Deb S

GREETERS

Front Door

- 08/11: J
- 08/18: Retreat
- 08/25: Doris S

Back Door by Kitchen

- 08/11: Joyce G
- 08/18: Retreat
- 08/25: Paul R

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.**

SUNDAY AT FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

THIS SUNDAY is the conclusion of the *Leading Qualities* sermon series. Each Sunday we considered one of the qualities in the church of Acts that powered its expansion through the Mediterranean world within a generation. This last quality is drawn from the final verse in Acts. Paul is under house arrest in Rome, yet still speaking boldly.

HEBREWS 12:1-3 follows the chapter 11 recital of the heroes of faith. The text imagery places us in an ancient athletic arena. The heroes of faith are now the spectators in the stands and we, the current generation, are the athletes taking our place at the starting line. We cast aside the entanglement of loose clothing and anything that will hinder us for the race ahead. We gaze down the track ahead and lock on to the finish line with determination. No pain, suffering, or resistance will distract us from running full-out. Our inspiration to run this race with perseverance is found in Jesus himself.

COMING SUNDAYS

August 18 – Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah with communion and baptism of John J.

August 25 – Marshall preaches with baptism of Alejandra M

September 1 – Marshall preaches, Randy in Alabama.

FAITH FAMILY NEWS

THE SCHWABAUER'S have a new address. They are now at 920 Highland Ave., Newton. Their new land line number is 316-333-8257. They also have new email addresses. Neal: Nealmhr@cox.net & Arlys: arlysloy@cox.net

SCHOOL IS STARTING this week for USD 373. Pray that the students and teachers and all associated with USD 373 will have a great year mentally, physically, and spiritually.

LOVE TELLING A GOOD STORY? Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah is August 17 and 18. Saturday campfire and Sunday morning worship will give time for biblical storytelling. Would you have a Bible story to tell? The beauty of telling Bible stories is that we can hear the familiar stories in new and differing ways. The emphasis and inflection of the story teller add perspective. The story teller might choose to tell the story with a straight biblical text, or the story teller might choose to be freer with the text. Either way telling Bible stories is fun, insightful, and makes an impression. If you are coming to retreat, would you be willing to come with a Bible story to tell? If so, let Randy or Marshall know.

FOR RETREAT CAMPFIRE bring a favorite joke or funny story to share.

CHURCH RETREAT information and registration forms are in your mailboxes! This year's retreat will be held on August 17 and 18 at Camp Mennoscah. Please return registration forms by Sunday, August 11 so we can plan for meals. We hope you can all join in the fun! Contact the Board of Fellowship with questions.

WE HAVE PARTNERED with Ten Thousand Villages to display items for sale in the hallway by the library and offices. All items can be purchased in the office!

NEWLY ELECTED to Western District Conference boards from our congregation are Jim S to the Executive Board, and Darlene P, to the Stewardship Board.

THANK YOU for your prayers and support for us during my recent surgery. We appreciated your concern for us. ~ Phyllis & Delmar K

THANK YOU so much to everyone for your prayers, cards, and food while I was recovering from surgery this week. We are so thankful to be part of such a caring church family! ~ Lindsay



FREE BEGINNER/LEVEL 1 YOGA continues tomorrow from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. This class, sponsored by the Board of Witness and Outreach and led by Barbara Thiesen, Certified Yoga teacher, has been very well attended, and will continue after July! Both women and men are welcome! Please wear comfortable clothes you can stretch and move in. Props will be provided, or bring your own if you have them. Invite Your friends! Come see what yoga can do for you! Contact Verda with questions.

BEYOND FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE is now collecting Immigration detainee care kits. When people who have been placed in immigration detention centers are released, they often have nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Kits containing clothing and hygiene products can help to rebuild their dignity as they are taken to bus stations and airports to reconnect with their families in the U.S. Please visit mcc.org/immigrationkit for all the details of what goes into the kit and how the kits will be distributed. It is one small way we can share Christ's love with our neighbors. All kit supplies should be sent to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. Questions? Please contact MCC at 316.283.2720.

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER SEWING PROJECT? Mennonite Central Committee is running low on school kit bags! You can review the guidelines and instructions at <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/bag>. Please contact Kate Mast at katemast@mcc.org or 316-283-2720 with any questions.

YOU'RE INVITED to Just Desserts, Offender/Victim Ministries' summer fundraiser. Join us Saturday, August 24 from 7-9pm at Carriage Factory Art Gallery park (128 E 6th St, Newton) for an evening of sweet treats, live music, and good company. Come meet current volunteers and learn more about OVM's work in our community. Tickets available online or through our office. Call (316) 283-2038 or visit our Facebook page for more information. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/just-desserts-tickets-64393594976>

ZION MENNONITE CHURCH, Elbing, KS will be celebrating Pastor Rosie Epp's 40th year of ordination on Sunday, August 25. Pastor Rosie was ordained by the WDC on August 26, 1979 at Lorraine Ave. Mennonite Church, Wichita. The celebration begins at 9:45 with a presentation on Mennonite women in ministry, followed by a worship celebration at 10:45 am and a taco bar lunch. All are invited to join.

SAVE THE DATE - Bethel College worship and arts symposium focusing on multi-cultural worship - November 21-23. More information at: <https://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/worship-arts-symposium>.

CAMP MENNOSCAH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SING FOR JOY, SING FOR CAMP! We're having our annual Camp Sing celebration of what has been an astoundingly fun and amazing summer of youth camps today, August 11 at Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church in Inman, KS. We'll start with a storytime from 5:45pm - 6:05pm, followed by joyous singing at 6:30pm. After joyfully worshipping in camp songs and hymns, we'll share in popcorn, pop and conversation. All are invited, whatever your age or skill!

THE MENTAL HEALTH SPIRITUAL RETREAT at Camp Mennoscah will be September 1-2. The theme for the retreat is Living Peacefully! Come support each other and enjoy fellowship, music, and worship. This retreat is for individuals affected by mental illness, including family and friends. Register online at campmennoscah.org.

GET AWAY FROM BUSY AND RELAX! Sound great? Come join us at the 2019 Women & Girls Retreat September 6-8 at Camp Mennoscah. YOU choose what you want to do: Bible study, singing, art, yoga, mental health and spirituality, swimming, refugee reflections, games, or free time! Friday night we will decorate cookies! The schedule and registration forms are available at <http://mennowdc.org/women-girls-retreat/>. Tammy Duvenal Unruh, debate/forensics coach from Newton, KS will speak on the topic of being Fearless (II Tim. 1:7). This retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. Register by August 26.



*You are the body of Christ!
Each one of you is a part of it.*

This Week (8/12/19- 8/18/2019)

Monday

5:30 P.M. - Yoga

Tuesday

8:30 AM Board of Fellowship

7:00 PM Board of Deacons

Wednesday

7:00 PM PCRC

Thursday

6:00 PM Board of Worship

Saturday & Sunday

Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah



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

Thanks!

Attendance for August 04, 2019

Worship: 133

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Sermon Notes

