### WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, May 22—Prayers of petition and intercession (anointing)

9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service

Monday, May 23 Jail Ministry: Gary Moore

**Tuesday, May 24** 7:00 PM Caregiving and Membership Commission

Friday, May 27 6:30 PM Sanctuary reserved for wedding rehearsal

Saturday, May 28 4:00 PM Sanctuary reserved for wedding

Sunday, May 29—Faith and Fear—2 Timothy 1:3-7 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service

### **Upcoming Worship Services**

June 5—Music Sunday June 12—Worship in the Parking Lot





# Prayers of Petition and Intercession Sunday, May 22, 2016

### Gathering

Prelude ......Nora Miller, pianist

Video: Let us pray by Steven Curtis Chapman

Gathering song: Holy Spirit, you are welcome here

The work of the people (announcements)

Call to worship..... Nancy Waltner, worship leader

**Opening prayer** 

Songs of faith: Hear our praises Wonderful, merciful Savior

Greet one another; children come forward

### Hearing God's Word

Children's focus ......Keith Knopp

Offering: Local Mission Offertory (Please pass the welcome pads)

**Song of faith:** *What a friend we have in Jesus* ......\*\*CS 90

Scripture: Matthew 15:21-28

Meditation: Persisting Prayer..... Pastor Anita Kehr

### Responding to God's Word

#### Anointing

Songs of faith: I need thee every hour	*H 555
Healer of our every ill	Н 377

Pastoral prayer ..... Pastor Kay Schroeder

### Sending

Blessing

Sending song with video: Let us pray

### Postlude

\*H denotes Hymnal: A Worship Book
\*\*CS denotes Companion Songbook
Musicians: Nora Miller, piano; Rachel Bachman, Rachel Unruh, Bryan Kehr, vocalists;
Graham Unruh, bass; Bryan Kehr, vocalists and guitar; Seth Bontrager, guitar, cajon.
Chorister: Rachel Unruh; HAT: Rachel Bachman, Rachel Unruh, Kay Schroeder,
Rannie Goering
Childcare: Stephanie or Chris Weaver, Schyler Entz
Ushers: Alan Entz, Ryan Nye, Jan Groves, Allen Schmidt
Audio Tech: Ron Bachman
Video/Lighting Tech: Tyler Shelly
Visuals: Pat Litsey

### Our Mission is to glorify God:

- Through expressing our love to God in worship.
- Through experiencing Christian love in community.
  - Through extending God's love to the world.

trash, trimming bushes, and working on any other outside needs. Please consider coming for part of the morning or staying for the whole time.

Worship in the Parking Lot will be Sunday, June 12, in the west parking lot at the corner of First and Pine. There will be no Sunday School and the worship service will start at 10:30 AM. A picnic lunch will follow the worship service. After lunch there will be a dedication service for the Nuñez Partnership Home Project. Parking will be available in the other First Mennonite parking lots. Bring your lawn chairs/blankets. In case of rain, the service will be held in the church building.

**Cards are available in the pews** for you to share your thoughts, prayer requests, ask for a visit, or whatever you would like to communicate. Remember to sign them and put them in the offering plate.

**Prayer is one of God's gifts to us.** If you would like to pray in a set-aside room for that purpose, the prayer room is available whenever the church is open in Room #113. The weekly prayer and praise notes can remind you of some of the situations needing intercession.

## **COLLEGE-AGE YOUNG ADULTS**

HEY! College-age Young Adults! Join us Sunday @ 9:15 a.m. in Room 110 For food for the body and soul PLUS a chance to connect/re-connect!





#### **Community Announcements**

**Circles of Hope** invites the public to attend the following presentations at First United Methodist Church in Newton. On May 24, "Dress For Success" empowers women who wish to achieve economic independence. On June 7, the presentation will be "What Does 200% of Poverty Look Like?" Supper will begin at 5:30 PM, with the meeting following at 6:30 PM. Please call Peace Connections at 284-0000 if you will be bringing children who require child care.

Urgent needs: MCC needs colored pencils (packages of 12) to complete school kits for shipment; and receiving blankets (30"-36" lightweight fleece or flannel) for infant care kits. If you shop online, you can simply purchase items and have them shipped to our Material Resource Center (121 E. 30th, North Newton, KS 67117). Items for all other MCC kits are welcome, but the pressing needs are for colored pencils and receiving blankets at this time. Thank you for your generosity!

Lunch with MCC & Ron Byler—you are invited to lunch with Ron Byler, Executive Director for MCC U.S. on Wednesday, May 25, 12:00-1:00 PM, at the MCC Center in North Newton (121 E. 30th). Ron will share stories from his recent visits to MCC partners in Palestine/Israel, Bosnia, Ukraine, Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq. Freewill donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the food. Please RSVP to Anna Yoder at annavoder@mcc.org or 283.2720 by May 24.

Prairie View invites the public to A Beautiful View on June 2, 6:00-8:00 PM at the Prairie View main campus in Newton. This art exhibition will feature pieces by over 30 area artists whose lives have been touched by mental illness, whether through personal struggle or because they care for someone who lives with a mental health disorder. Participants will listen to live jazz and other original music while enjoying heavy hors d'oeuvres, browsing art, including pieces for sale, and bidding on silent and live auction items. The live auction will begin at 7:15 PM. All proceeds benefit Prairie View's programs. Tickets for A Beautiful View are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. To purchase tickets in advance, call 316-284-6443.

SWAP needs summer staff! Summer will be here before we know it, and Mennonite Central Committee's Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP) program is seeking summer staff for three-month assignments in Kentucky and West Virginia. Job site coordinators utilize volunteer labor to accomplish quality home remodels/repairs, while meal coordinators plan balanced, nutritional meals for volunteers. Summer staff are a critical component of SWAP's successful ministry, as they help facilitate the weekly SWAP service groups working on housing repair for low-income persons. Summer staff vary in age from 19 to 70+, and they receive meals, lodging and a weekly stipend for their service. For more information go to swap.mcc.org or call Angela at 606-633-5065.

**The Dyck Arboretum of the Plains** invites you to a *Summer Soirée* on Sunday, June 12, 6:00-9:00 PM. The evening fundraiser will include live music, a silent auction, dinner from The Water's Edge and a presentation on the "History and Folklore of the Flint Hills" from Kansan of the Year Jim Hoy. Tickets are \$80 for an individual or \$150 for two people. Visit dyckarboretum.org to RSVP by June 1, or call 620-327-8127. Proceeds from the ticket sales and silent auction will underwrite the ongoing mission and programs of the Arboretum.

**Summer Story Time begins** Tuesday, June 14, with Marjie Warkentine, Storyteller. Ages 3-8 are invited to join this animal adventure. Summer Story Time will be 10:00-10:45 AM in the children's library at the Western District Offices. Register now at http://goo.gl/forms/TGmHI5odLO or you can email/ call crlib@mennowdc.org, 316-283-6300 (space is limited).

#### Mennonite Women USA invites you to a special summer event-

Empowering Women: Money, Health, and Faith is a resourcing event that will take place on August 12-13, at Peace Mennonite Church in Aurora, Colorado. All women are welcome to attend the entire event. You can register at mwusa.org/ministries/prep.

**MCC Central States is hiring!** We have an Immigration Education Coordinator position open for someone to be located in the Rio Grande Valley in Texas! Check it out and pass it on to anyone who might be interested! mcc.org/serve-cs-iec for more details or contact Heidi Huber at 283-2720, heidihuber@mcc.org.



**VECOME** TO EVERYONE who has come to worship and especially to those who are here for the first time. May you experience the loving embrace of God today. Nursery Care, infants to age 2, is provided during the worship service in the nursery located at the back of the Sanctuary. Childcare is available for children ages 2-4 during the worship service in Room 223. If you need help finding your way, ask an usher at the door. We would be glad to help you!

"Meet the Congregation" displays now feature LaVerna Schierling, Ryan and Angela Nye and family, and Kathleen Andres. Take a look at the display cases by the Library and Court Area and learn more about each family.

# First Mennonite Church by the numbers Attendance:

- Worship-215; Visitors-11
- Sunday School—179

**Offering:** Last week's offering for Local Mission was \$4,923. The offering for May 29 is for Western District Conference.

Pastor Joel will be out of the office May 19-30, 2016.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have agreed to pick me up from Schowalter Villa and take me home from church each Sunday morning. I appreciate your kindness! ~Allen Schmidt

**Scholarship Fund:** Thanks to those of you who gave extra last Sunday to help us make a decision about how to allocate our scholarship monies to students at Mennonite-affiliated colleges and universities. As we plan for next year, we continue to welcome and give thanks for your generosity.

**The annual delegate session** of Western District Conference will be at Bethel College, Friday evening and Saturday, July 29-30, 2016. Volunteer delegates are invited to give their names to Jim Schrag, Church Board Chair, by June 12.

**The Property Committee has scheduled** a church work day on Saturday, June 4, 8:00 AM-12:00 noon. We will be working on the west parking lot. Please bring rakes, clippers, shovels, yard tools, etc. We will be cleaning up