



# WEEK AT A GLANCE

## Sunday, February 3—*Quiet Virtues: Patience*

- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 4:04 PM Youth Group Bible Study—Entz's house

## Wednesday, February 6—Church Family Night

- 5:30 PM Meal served by Casa Betania  
Menu: Pork Smothered Burritos, Salad, Dessert  
Fundraiser meal with Shalom and Bethel Mennonite Church invited.
- 6:45 PM Children—ages 2 years to 6th grade—Gather in Room 123
- 6:45 PM Adult Bible Study
- 6:45 PM Choir (Sanctuary)
- 6:45 PM Jr. High (Room 126)
- 6:45 PM Youth Group (Youth Rooms)

## Thursday, February 7

- 7:00 PM Nurture Commission

## Sunday, February 10—*Made For Mission*

- Matthew 4:18-22; Luke 9:1-6, 23, 57-62; John 13:1-17
- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship Service

## Sunday, February 17—*Made for Mission*

- John 14:1-18; Luke 8:40-56

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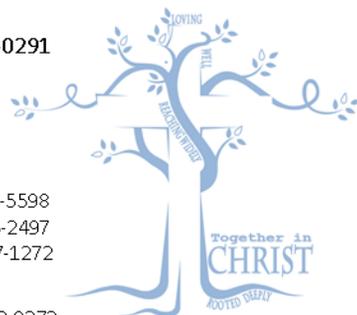
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That We May Breathe Together by Jan Richardson

*First Mennonite Church*  
*Newton, KS*  
*February 3, 2019*

## SR. HIGH YOUTH February Focus = FOLLOW JESUS

Sunday, Feb. 3 (TODAY) @ 9:15 am —SUNDAY SCHOOL

@ 12:03 pm —YOUTH COUNCIL

Wednesday, February 6 @ 6:16-8:16 pm —YOUTH GROUP



# COMING EVENTS

- ▶▶ February 6—Convention Registration
- ▶▶ March 2-3—Winter Retreat (??)
- ▶▶ March 6—Verenika Supper Fundraiser
- ▶▶ May 6—Youth Group Auction Fundraiser
- ▶▶ July 2-6—MENNONITE YOUTH CONVENTION (Kansas City)

**Interested in a men's four-week** home Bible study during February on the book of Philippians? Contact Sam Claassen at 620-951-4455 or at [s.claassen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:s.claassen@sbcglobal.net) for details.

**Pastor's schedule change**—Due to his participation in the Missional Leadership seminars at Hesston College on Monday evenings, Pastor Joel will be moving his regular day out of the office to Fridays.

**NT CRISPR Challenge 44.4** (Week 9)—**February 3** Luke 19:1-48; **February 4** Luke 20:1-47; **February 5** Luke 21:1-38; **February 6** Luke 22:1-46; **February 7** Luke 22:47-71; **February 8** Luke 23:1-56; **February 9** Luke 24:1-53

**The furniture has arrived** for the newly renovated foyer and there is an opportunity for a new area of ministry: **Coffee cart**—would you be willing to provide this service of welcoming and fellowship for Sunday mornings? If interested, please contact Jordan Miller as soon as possible.

**Love Newton: Feed Families in Need!** The Outreach Commission has partnered with the Chisholm Middle School social worker, Sara Kopper, to provide 10 families in need with food over Spring Break. There is a box for each family with recommended food items listed in the court area. Let's try to fill each box with at least the essentials (if not more) during the month of February! Let's show the love of Christ to our neighbors in need in this very practical way.

**2019 Youth Group Auction** Coming later this spring, on Wednesday, May 1, the youth group is hosting their bi-annual auction. The youth offer their services and skills to be auctioned along with many items donated by the church family. Watch for future announcements over the next few months. Proceeds will go to help pay for our July trip to the Mennonite Youth Convention in Kansas City.

## Community Announcements

**Social Security and retirement income planning**, an informative workshop, will be on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 6:30 p.m. It will cover when to begin taking Social Security benefits, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. The workshop is presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com).

**Register for Camp!** Camp Mennoscah's online registration for summer youth camps AND Youth Volunteer Weekend opened on February 1! Register at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org). **There will again be scholarships provided by the Nurture Commission.** Those interested in counseling or volunteering as kitchen staff should contact Olivia at [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org). We're planning on an absolutely amazing summer!

**The Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group** will meet Tuesday, February 5, at 2:00 p.m. in Menno Hall. Jake Snodgrass, Director of Advanced Physical Therapy at Hesston Wellness Center, will talk about the LSVT BIG program which helps improve mobility, walking and overall function. All are welcome.

**Volunteers are needed** from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM in Eureka, Kansas. We will be roofing and completing exterior repairs. Tools and lunch will be provided. Work days are scheduled for: February 22 and 23, and March 1 and 2. **Please contact Jordan Miller** for more details and to arrange transportation from the Newton area. Call, text or email: 316-217-4570 or [jordanmiller795@gmail.com](mailto:jordanmiller795@gmail.com).

**Join MCC** on Sunday, February 10, 4:00 PM at Bethel College Mennonite Church (2600 College Ave., North Newton) to hear, "On Second Thought: a family's return to Chad." Susan and Jim Jantzen will share the story and images from their return journey to Chad, Africa, where they served with Mennonite Central Committee 30 years ago. The January 2018 trip allowed Jim and Susan to deliver photos and recordings of members of the community whose lives were taken shortly after the Jantzens departed in 1987. Please gather in the fellowship hall.

**The Lopsided Crane**, an original story/monologue, will be performed by Laurel Dee Gugler Sunday, February 10 at 3:00 PM at Menno Hall, Kidron Bethel Village. This is a wonderful piece about peacemaking and community, appropriate for intergenerational audiences, ages 9 and older

**Another option** to MCC Fellowship Meals - Tabor Mennonite, 891 Chisholm Trail, Newton (which is a rural Goessel Church) will be hosting MCC Fellowship Meals on Sunday, February 17. We are happy to have additional guests from anywhere. We would like to know by Wednesday, February 13 so we know how much to prepare. Our menu will be: Lasagna, Green Beans, Bread, and Dessert. \$20 donation for adults, \$6 for children 6-12. Reservations should come to Leann Toews 620-367-8257 or jtoews62@gmail.com.

**Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale**—You're invited to host, be a guest or organize a Fellowship Meal at your church. Annually, these simple meals help support the Relief Sale by raising funds towards the sale budget. Meals in area homes are scheduled March 3 and 10. Registration deadline is February 8. Please see the Fellowship Meal brochure for additional details that are posted on the east and west bulletin boards. For questions call Gary or Ruby Moore. Or contact Barb BJ Reeves, 620-543-6863 or mccfellowshipmeals@gmail.com.

**Camp Mennoscah is now accepting applicants** for a quarter-time (10 hours/week) custodial-housekeeping position. The position will remain open until filled. Contact Olivia at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290 for further information. Spread the word!

**The MCC Comforter Blitz Committee** is urgently seeking a kitchen coordinator and volunteers to prepare and serve lunch during the Blitz ( March 4, 5, and 6, 2019). If you are interested or willing, please contact Shirley Jost at (785) 250-7437 or jostshi@cox.net. No sewing skills required!

**Summer staff applications WELCOMED!** Camp Mennoscah is searching for and reaching out to those folks 18 and older to be part of our summer leadership family. We're looking for lifeguards, music leaders, crafts leaders, office and media assistants, naturalists, and grounds/maintenance. It will be a summer of fun times, meaningful relationship building, and leadership skills! Apply online at campmennoscah.org under Summer Youth Camps. This is an amazing way for young adults to serve and grow in faith!

**"Building a Trauma-Informed Culture at Work and Beyond,"** will be offered Thursday, February 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m., at the *KIPCOR office (2515 College Ave., North Newton)*, with Joyce McEwen Crane, Ph.D., of Friends University. Cost: \$25/person; come at 6 for snacks and networking. Register at [kipcor.org](http://kipcor.org) (look for the workshop box) or by calling 316-284-5217.

**Sat., Feb. 9 – Grand opening of special exhibit** "Campaign for a New China: Looking back on Posters from the Chinese Cultural Revolution 1966-1976," featuring the collection of the late Robert S. Kreider, opens Saturday, February 9 from 7-9 PM, with remarks at 7:30, at Kauffman Museum.

**WELCOME 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 second half of 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!

#### **First Mennonite Church by the numbers**

##### **Attendance:**

•Worship—220 Visitors—3 Sunday School—135

**Offering:** Last week's offering for Local Mission was \$11,074. The offering for February 3 is for Scholarship Fund.

**Receiving or has received care**—Bill Black, Wesley Medical Center.

**Made for Mission mini-worship series** (February 10 and 17) – We are all on a missional journey in which together we are called to share hope and faith with others. What does that mean? Next Sunday, February 10, we will take a missional leap as we ask (and answer) the questions, "As a called person, what is my mission? And why am I on mission?" Invite others to join in this *Made for Mission* mini-worship series!

**Last Wednesday CFN**, our children each got three hearts on which to write that Jesus loves them. They are hidden in the sanctuary for you to find (hymnbooks, racks, etc.). If you find one, please feel free to write a note back to them. You may place them in their family church mailbox or put them in Marsha Schmidt's box. Thank you for sharing your love to our children in this way.

**This coming Wednesday**, February 6, Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania invites you to join them on Church Family Night for a smothered burrito dinner, 5:30-6:45 PM. As always, the meal will be by donation; money raised beyond expenses will go toward the transition for Casa Betania as they anticipate the conclusion of Pastor Jaime Cazares' ministry at the end of March.

**Visitation opportunity:** Would you prayerfully consider sharing a gift of time with a beloved member of our congregation? If you would enjoy visiting someone from FMC for one hour a month who can no longer attend worship but who has amazing stories and experiences to share, please contact Pastor Kay at [kays@firstmennonitewton.org](mailto:kays@firstmennonitewton.org) or 316-217-1272.