

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 9—Pentecost

- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 6:06 PM Youth Group Bible Study

Monday, June 10

- 2:00 PM Worship Commission—Warkentin Room

Tuesday, June 11

- 7:00 PM Caregiving and Membership Commission

Wednesday, June 12

- 6:00-8:00 PM Bible School at Shalom Mennonite Church

Thursday, June 13

- 6:00-8:00 PM Bible School at Shalom Mennonite Church
- 7:00 PM Church Board
- 7:30 PM Men's Bible Study

Friday, June 14

- 6:00-8:00 PM Bible School at Shalom Mennonite Church

Saturday, June 15

- 9:00 -11:00 AM Bible School at Shalom Mennonite Church

Sunday, June 16—VBS Worship at Athletic Park; Potluck lunch

- 10:30 AM Worship Service at Athletic Park

Upcoming Worship Services

- June 30—Baptism and Communion

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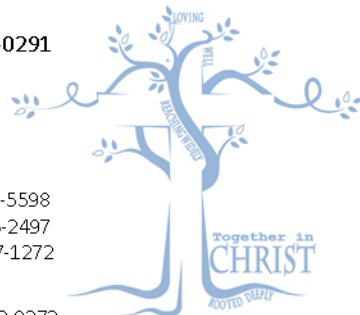
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First Mennonite Church

Newton, KS

June 9, 2019

will follow the service. Please bring finger foods to share, your own table service and lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. Drinks will be provided. Invite your friends!

DELEGATES FOR WDC ASSEMBLY: If you are interested in attending the Western District Conference Assembly on July 26-27 at Bethel College and serving as a delegate for FMC, please contact Janice Good as soon as possible.

Children's Time Helpers—We are looking for people to help with child care for our young children during the church service each Sunday. This is a blessing to our families with small children who may not be ready to sit through the church service yet! It is typically a once-a-month commitment. There are two adults and one youth playing with and caring for children ages 2-5 during church. No prep is required, just a love of our children. Safe Sanctuaries training and a background check are required (if interested but you haven't had these—let me know). Please contact Stephanie Weaver (stephweaver@live.com or 316-772-0731).

Summer Sunday School teachers—We are looking for a few more people to teach the summer SS class for our 2nd-6th graders. You can volunteer to teach just one Sunday, or more. This format for our summers gives our regular teachers a short break from teaching and allows more people a chance to teach our children for a Sunday or two, even if it's not something you want to do on a regular basis. Our curriculum provides all that you need, including many various ideas and projects! Please consider and if interested, contact Betty Pauls, Deb Ratzlaff, Bryan Kehr, or Stephanie Weaver.

A support group for survivors of sexual abuse will meet with the guidance of a professional therapist on Tuesday, June 18. The meeting is for primary survivors. If you would like more information, please call Cindy Unruh from the Caregiving and Membership Commission at 288-9773.

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.

Community Announcements

The West Zion Mennonite Church Concert Series continues today, 7:00 PM, at the church in Moundridge, KS. Featured performers: Christopher Shaw, Organ; Andrew Thiesen, Trombone; and Family & Friends, a vocal quartet (members: Doug Huxman, Steve & Amy Sherbenou, and Jan Gilmore, accompanied by Donna Stucky). No admission charge, however a free-will offering will be received. Fellowship, with refreshments served after the concert.

Conference Resource Library Book Sale June 13-15. Support the Library and take home some treasures. Both library discards and book donations are looking for new homes. Thursday and Friday 8:00 AM-5:00 PM and Saturday 9:00 AM-Noon. WDC Offices, 2517 N. Main in North Newton.

Make plans to join in the fun at the MCC Comforter Mini Blitz at MCC in North Newton! If you can tie a knot, then you can certainly tie a comforter; all ages are welcome!! Friday, June 21. 9:00 AM-5:00 PM and Saturday, June 22, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM; drop in or stay for the day! You are welcome to bring a snack to share, and if you stay through lunch, you'll need a sack lunch, too. Contact katemast@mc.org for more information.

Opportunities to serve with MCC Nicaragua and Honduras—Do you excel in an administrative support role, helping to create and implement plans? Want to contribute to MCC's community development work in the Central America context? ¡Entonces, venga! Bring your organizational expertise, assessment tools, accompaniment experience, Spanish language skills and a desire to learn—right this way! MCC has 2 opportunities for you to consider, starting either **July 15, 2019** (in Nicaragua) or **January 6, 2020** (in Honduras). Visit mcc.org/serve, or contact heidhuber@mcc.org for more information.

Bluestem Communities invites you and your family to the Innovations in Living with Dementia Community Forum on June 26, 6:00 PM, at Hesston Mennonite Church (309 S. Main). The free event will feature interactive booths, resources for caregivers and a presentation from a national Alzheimer's researcher.

It's time to sign up for Summer 2019 Story Hour. Story hour is a fun, free activity and a wonderful way for parents/grandparents to bond with children while having delightful book adventures. Enroll your children ages 3-8 for story hour now! Call/ email: 316-283-6300, crlib@mennowdc.org or register online at forms.gle/AnSemnebk8xr8gg6. Dates and times are Mondays, June 17-July 22 at 9:30 AM.

The WDC Annual Assembly will be held July 26-27 at Bethel College. *We are Witnesses!* from Acts 10:34-43 is the theme. Come as a family! Children and youth through age 17 are free! Adult registration of \$95 includes all meals and will give

SR. HIGH YOUTH



Sunday (6/9) @ 9:15 am—Sunday School

@ 6:06 pm—Supper/Song/Study/Solo at Bethel College trailhead led by Bruce Rosario!



Wednesday (6/12) @ 7:32 pm—MennoCon19 PREP!

July 2-6—MENNOCON19 (Mennonite Youth Convention)

July 14—Youth Sunday!



access to great worship for all ages, creative workshops, significant fellowship and the work of the church together. You can go either as a delegate or just an attender. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mennonite Mission Network, an international faith-based mission agency, is seeking a full-time interim (1 year) program director for Mennonite Voluntary Service. This position requires a collaborative leader who will work closely with young adults, hosting congregations and MVS staff in financial and unit administration. A bachelor's degree and prior inter-cultural experience in service is preferred. Fluency in Spanish language is a plus. View the position description at MennoniteMission.net. Send cover letter and resumé to StaffRecruitment@MennoniteMission.net.

Celebration of Immigrants—Saturday, June 15, Noon-4:00 PM, at Hilltop Community Center, 1329 S. Terrace, Wichita. There will be potluck food, music and dance performances, games for everyone and many other fun things.

World Refugee Day 2019—June 20, 4:00-8:00 PM at Hilltop Community Center, 1329 South Terrace, Wichita. RSVP to Annette.Kazungu@st-francis.org. Join us for a celebration of diversity in our Wichita area.

Save the Date—June 26 for the annual Volunteer Appreciation event at Mennonite Central Committee in North Newton from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. We will celebrate all the work our volunteers do by enjoying an indoor summer picnic together!

Conference Resource Library Summer Reading Program—for people of all ages in all congregations! Adults can sign up at: forms.gle/LWZZyUhx5G396q6Z9; adult prizes include books and gift cards. Children can sign up at: forms.gle/tZooHWMz76YPEzDj6 and will earn prizes for every 15 books (or chapters) they read. Take the summer to explore what it means to follow Christ and find some new favorite books.

MCC urgently seeks host home in the Newton area: Silav Yea, a 24 year old from Cambodia, will be serving through MCC's International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) beginning in August. She will be working at both Prairie Harvest and the Newton Et Cetera Shop for her one-year service term. Check out the flier in your mailbox or contact Sara Dick generalmanager@netwonetceterashop.com or Terri Gaeddert terri@prairieharvestks.com for details.

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—204; Sunday School—152; Visitors—3

Offering: Last week's offering for Bethel College was \$2,182 and Local Mission was \$8,930. The offering for June 16 is for Local Mission.

Congratulations to Abby Schrag and Evan Koch who were married on Saturday, June 8. May God grant them many years together.

Mark your calendars! Madelynn Hamm will be baptized on June 30 during the worship service. As a part of that service we will also partake of communion with Madelynn, Payton, Emily, Anna and Derek for the first time!

Can one person or one small group accomplish anything? To get the answer, view the new exhibits which give glimpses into the lives of Sister Frieda Kaufman and the Deaconess Sisterhood. Who were they? Did they impact our congregation? ...the wider community? Compiled by the Historical Committee, the presentations are located in the corner display cabinets at the west end of the Gathering Area.

VBS will be held June 12-16—Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 6:00-8:00 PM, and Saturday, 9:00-11:00 AM at Shalom Mennonite Church, with Worship in the Park on Sunday. This year, we are joining Shalom Mennonite, Faith Mennonite and New Creation. The theme this year is "Who is My Neighbor?" Each night will begin with worship and then students will move to four stations. The stations are Bible response, crafts, active response, and snack. The evening will end with a large gathering and ending song. Students will be divided into four age groups: Pre-Kindergarten (must be age 4 to attend) through Sixth Grade. We are needing helpers for the four age groups in each of the stations, as well as someone for drama and for the worship band. Please sign up in the Gathering Area next week or let one of the Nurture Committee members know of your interest.

Church in the Park will be next Sunday, June 16, at Athletic Park. The worship service will begin at 10:30 AM with **no Sunday School that morning**. This is a combined worship service with Faith Mennonite, Shalom, and New Creation churches. Children will be sharing what they learned in Bible School. A picnic lunch