



# Exterior Finishings

## Sunday, July 24, 2016

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### Gathering

**Gathering music** ..... Nora Miller, pianist

**Gathering song:** *Unto thy temple, Lord, we come* ..... \*H 4

**Morning shift updates (announcements)**

**Calling all workers for worship**..... Forrest Miller, worship leader

**Greeting the Builder (opening prayer)**

**Songs of praise to the One in charge:** *Cornerstone*  
*Our God*

**Greet co-workers: workers in training (children) come forward**

### Hearing God's Word

**On the job training** (children's focus) ..... Bryan Kehr

**Special report from builders (Kingdom report):**  
Gary and Carla Hiland

**Offering for labor and materials:** Local Mission  
**Offertory:** *Build Your Kingdom Here*  
(Please pass the welcome pads)

**Reading from the building manual (Scripture):** 1 Peter 2:4-5

**Additional instructions and information (Sermon):**

*Living stones and the Living Stone* ..... Pastor Anita Kehr

### Responding to God's word

**Communicating with the Main Contractor (Pastoral Prayer)**

### Sending

**Song of encouragement for building as we leave:**  
*Come Thou Fount*

**Final instructions** (Blessing)

**Postlude**

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\*H denotes Hymnal: A Worship Book \*\*CS denotes Companion Songbook  
Worship band: Joey Menninga, vocals & guitars; Rachel Unruh, vocals & violin;  
Graham Unruh, bass; Sheralyn Goering, piano; Chorister: Rachel Unruh  
HAT: Wendy Schrag, Janet Franz, Woody Miller, Daryl Unruh  
Ushers: Alan Entz, Ryan Nye, Jan Groves, Allen Schmidt  
Childcare: Greg or Laura Myers, Lia Groves  
Audio Tech: Ryan Koehn Video/Lighting Tech: Tyler Shelly  
Visuals: Cindy Unruh

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### 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.

**Organ fund update.** We are at a point where we need to make a down payment for parts and to secure a place in the organ builder's schedule because he is scheduling six months out. Our church policy is that we have the funds or pledges in hand before we begin a project. So far, we have received \$14,000 in cash and pledges. The total cost is \$40,000. We urgently need your contributions or pledges so that we can begin this project. Please prayerfully consider what you are willing to give. We would like to schedule the project by July 31.

~Capital Fund Development and Financial Stewardship Committees

**A new Sunday School class for "20-somethings"** began this morning in Room 313 (up the red stairs beside the library display case). All post-college young adults in their 20's are welcome! Questions? Check with Marissa or Nathan Murphy.

**Sunday morning announcements**—The Jimenez-Nuñez PHP updates each Sunday are taking the place of the announcement time. Please contact either Pastor Kay or the worship leader by 9:00 AM if you have an urgent, brief announcement to make on Sunday morning. Thank you!

**David and Elena Wiebe are looking** for someone to stay in their house this fall while they are on mission in Nepal. Please contact David or Elena for more details.

**How's your hearing?** The Worship Commission is interested to know whether hearing assistance options would be utilized during Sunday morning worship services. If so, please contact Brent Voran.

**Jim Schrag is taking a leave of absence** from the Church Board due to health reasons. Brian Kennell will be the chairperson of the Church Board for the months of July, August, and September. Please communicate with Brian about any board concerns during this time.

**Thank you to all who contributed to** the Caring Fund. Because of these contributions, we will again be able to give monthly support to agencies like the Homeless Shelter and Health Ministries, and continue to support individual families that seek support. Thank you for your generosity!

**Thank you to everyone** who donated plastic bags to Camp Mennoscah. They now have enough for the rest of the summer and no longer need any more.

**Our next week to serve at the Harvey County Homeless Shelter** is August 10-16. Please contact Lee Penner at 316-284-2154 if you are able to help.

**Once again, we will be packing** Christmas shoeboxes this Fall for children around the world. Please keep that in mind as you start your back-to-school supply shopping. We will also be needing shoeboxes to put the items in.

**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.

**Please be hospitable to our neighbors** and avoid parking within four feet of a driveway or alleyway on the street (which is also illegal and a towable offense). Remember that we have three other church parking lots besides the ones that surround the church building. There are two on SE 2nd Street (one to the east and one to the west) and then the parking lot on First and Pine. Thank you!

### Community Announcements

**Mennonite Central Committee Central States** is hiring for a Thrift Shop Coordinator. This position is available starting in August and the position location is flexible within the 16-state Central States region. The Thrift Shop Coordinator encourages shop operations to grow in profitability annually, assists with problem solving in daily operations, encourages and advocates for board development and sound policies, and nurtures manager skill development while offering and promoting MCC Thrift Shop Network resources. The work schedule is 40 hours per week. The full job description is available at [mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/thrift-shop-coordinator-cs](http://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/thrift-shop-coordinator-cs). Please contact Heidi Huber at [heidihuber@mcc.org](mailto:heidihuber@mcc.org) for more information.

**MCC is making peaches available to you again this summer!** Peaches come in 20 lb. cases for \$35 each from Noland Orchards in Palisade, Colorado. Please place orders with Patsy Dirksen at [patsydirksen@mcc.org](mailto:patsydirksen@mcc.org) or 283-2720 by July 29. Pick-up date for peaches is August 18 at MCC in North Newton.

**The MCC Material Resource Center in North Newton** is in need of the following items: full size Fiscars scissors, sew-on snaps (20-25 per package), large bars of laundry soap, full-size bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright color), and men's briefs (sizes M, L, or XL). These items can be brought

to 121 E. 30th St. in North Newton, KS purchased online via Amazon Smile or other retailers and shipped to MCC, or we welcome your monetary donations designated Kit Supplies. Thank you for your ongoing support of the worldwide work of Mennonite Central Committee! If you have questions, please call 283-2720 or visit [mcc.org/kits](http://mcc.org/kits) for more information.

**The Young Adult Weekend is getting closer!** Youthful adults aged 18 and older will be gathering at Camp Mennoscah July 29-31 for a weekend of worship, camp activities, and all stuff fun. There's a chance to roast your own meal, go swimming, sing around the campfire, and be in the midst of creation. Register online at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org)! Scholarships are available.

**Grace Hill Mennonite Church is taking a bus** to the KC Royals game on Saturday, August 6. The bus will leave at 2:00 PM from the Grace Hill Church parking lot and return after the game. Cost for the bus and ticket is \$90 per person. Please contact John Klaassen at 316-772-0626 or at [kjohnklaassen@gmail.com](mailto:kjohnklaassen@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining us!

**The annual Camp Mennoscah Camp Sing** is August 7, 6:30 PM, at Grace Hill Mennonite Church in Whitewater. You're invited to bring your friends and join us for camp songs, hymns, and that camp favorite—popcorn and generic pop! Summer staff will be there to lead the festivities. Come join in the fun!

**New staff at MCC Central States!** We are happy to welcome two new people to the staff at MCC Central States, and we hope you'll help us welcome them as well! Patsy Dirksen started in June as our new Office Manager; please say "Hello" the next time you're at MCC in North Newton. We are also excited to introduce you to Ana Hinojosa, our new Immigration Education Coordinator! Ana started at the beginning of July and will work from Brownsville, Texas. Her work will focus on working with Latino/a populations and collaborating with churches and other faith-based organizations. She will network with MCC's partners on the U.S./Mexico boarder as well as participate in the MCC Immigration network. Welcome Patsy and Ana!

**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](http://mwusa.org/ministries/prep).

**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 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 Gladys Graber, Marjorie Janzen, and Jean Ann Unruh. 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—271; Visitors—7
- Sunday School—190

**Offering:** Last week's offering for Local Mission was \$8,820. The offering for July 31 is for the Scholarship Fund.

**A heartfelt thank you to everyone** in our church family for your prayers and support during Marlene's sudden illness and passing. She is now at peace with her heavenly father. Your caring is much appreciated.

~Mike, Greg, Lori and Don Schmidt

**Thank you!!** It's been a year since my surgery and learning that I had pancreatic cancer. Thank you to all of you who covered me with prayers and lifted me up during my journey of recovery, chemo, and radiation. Thank you, too, for the meals, cards, and words of encouragement. I thank God for the healing I have experienced.

~Ethel Wedel

**We would like to thank** each and every one of you who contributed to our congregation grocery shower. Our cupboards are full and overflowing because of your generosity! We also would like to thank the Fellowship Commission for planning and hosting the shower. We really appreciate it.

~Jake and Maisie Martin

**Come help celebrate the 90th birthday** of Louise Janzen at an open house on Saturday, August 6, 2:00-4:00 PM at 1207 N Anderson in Newton. No gifts please.