

Made to be Missional

February 17, 2019

Gathering

Choral introit: *Make a joyful noise* by Thomas A. Miller

Welcome and the work of the people (announcements)

Opening video

Centering Amanda Entz, organist/pianist
Chorale Prelude on "Aurelia" arr. Good

Prayer.....Kevin Miller, worship leader

Praising

Song of faith: *I will come to you in the silence* **CS 95

Greet one another; children come forward

Children's focusErin Graber

Song of faith: *I will sing of my Redeemer* (stanzas 1 and 2) *H 344

Sharing faith stories Rannie Goering, Shannon Bartel, Elena Entz Wiebe

Choral anthem: *Be my hands and feet* by Mary Louise Bringle/Tony Alonso

Offering: Local Mission

Offertory: *Wings to Altair* by Lanz
(Please pass the welcome pads)

Offering response: *Praise God from whom* (stanza A) H 119

Hearing God's Word

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11-14

Message: *Being Missional 201* Pastor Joel Schroeder

Scripture reading: Luke 8:25-26, 28-30, 39-42

Message continued: *Being Missional 201*

Responding to God's Word

Song of faith: *Here I am, Lord* H 395

Pastoral prayer..... Pastor Anita Kehr

Sending

Sending song: *Sanctuary*CS 65

Sending words

Postlude

*H denotes Hymnal: A Worship Book **CS denotes Companion Songbook
Chorister: Pastor Kay Schroeder
Childcare: Greg or Laura Myers, Amanda Menninga, Evelyn Gaertner
Nurse: Shirley Dietzel, Kathleen Andres, Christa or Monte Hiebert
Ushers: Gus Dorado, Mike Garcia, Dave Goering, Andrea Regier
Audio Tech: Tim Regier Video/Lighting Tech: Eric Murphy
Visuals: Michelle Claassen Property Committee: Rod Schmidt

OUR VISION—Together in Christ: rooted deeply, reaching widely, loving well

OUR MISSION—With Jesus as our center, we are called to be:

- **Faith-Focused**
- **Mission-Minded**
- **Community-Connected**

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 17—*Made to be Missional*—John 14:1-18; Luke 8:40-56

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

12:00 PM Lunch/Simulation—*The Loss of Turtle Island*—FH

6:00 PM Catechism—Warkentin Room

Monday, February 18

7:00 PM Property Committee

Tuesday, February 19

7:00 PM Caregiving and Membership Commission

Wednesday, February 20—Church Family Night

5:30 PM Meal served by Life Sharing Sunday School Class

Menu: Taco Salad and Fruit

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)

Sunday, February 24—*Centered and Together in Jesus Christ*

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

4:00 PM Youth Group Bible Study

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First Mennonite Church
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WE are **ALL** called to be
MISSIONAL as we **JOURNEY** with others
offering **HOPE** rooted in God's **LOVE**!

SR. HIGH YOUTH February Focus = FOLLOW JESUS

Sunday, Feb. 17 (TODAY) @ 9:15 am — SUNDAY SCHOOL

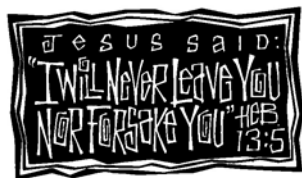


@ 12 noon — "Loss of Turtle Island"

@ 6:06 pm — CATECHISM

Wednesday, February 20 @ 6:16-8:16 pm — YOUTH GROUP

Tuesday, February 26 — Make Verenika!!!



COMING EVENTS

- ▶▶ March 2-3 — Winter Retreat
- ▶▶ March 6 — Verenika Supper Fundraiser
- ▶▶ May 1 — Youth Group Auction Fundraiser
- ▶▶ July 2-6 — MENNONITE YOUTH CONVENTION (Kansas City)

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@firstmennonitenewton.org or 316-217-1272.

Developing My Purpose Statement—If you would like to join others and formulate your own life purpose statement, contact Pastor Joel (joelschr46@gmail.com) or contact the Church Office. We'll meet four times over the next two months.

Interested in a men's four-week home Bible study starting February 21, 7:30 PM at 507 Autumn Glen Court on the book of Philippians? Contact Sam Claassen at s.claassen@sbcglobal.net or 620-951-4455 for details.

NT CRISPR Challenge 44.4 (Week 11)—**February 17** John 7:1-53; **February 18** John 8:1-59; **February 19** John 9:1-41; **February 20** John 10:1-42; **February 21** John 11:1-57; **February 22** John 12:1-50; **February 23** John 13:1-38.

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.

YOUTH GROUP VERENIKE MEAL FUNDRAISER—The Sr. High Youth will be serving verenike with ham gravy, sausage, green beans, and cherry moos on Wednesday, March 6, 5:30-7:00 PM as a fundraiser to participate in *MennoCon19* (Mennonite Youth Convention, July 2-6). Invite your family and friends!

The **Everence Sharing Funds** provided \$1,305.84 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Ken Fast serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact him for more information.

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

FMC member Beverley Buller will be speaking about her new book *Vernon Rickman: An Artful Life* **today** at the Harvey County Historical Museum at 2:00 PM. Carriage Factory Art Gallery will also be hosting a reception and book signing, 6:00-8:00 PM, on Thursday, February 21. These events are free.

The Hesston College Bel Canto Singers and the Bethel College Concert Choir will present a collaborative concert event at 7:00 PM today at Tabor Mennonite Church (891 Chisholm Trail Rd, rural Newton). The program, "How Firm a Foundation," will feature the choirs individually and combined and will also include hymn singing with the audience. The concert is free and open to the public. An offering will be collected for the Tabor Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall building fund.

KIPCOR Film Series presents *More Than a Word*—today at 3:00 PM. The program examines the controversy over Native American-themed sports mascots and nicknames. It will be held in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College.

Register for Camp! Online registration for Summer Youth Camps at Camp Mennoscah is open! In fact, registration is open for all upcoming camps and retreats, so power up your computer and register for all sorts of relaxation and fun! Call us at 620-297-3290 with questions. **There will again be scholarships provided by the FMC Nurture Commission.**

Is there anything better than a Vacation Bible School package that helps children discover signs of God in the Bible and in their lives? Come to a launch event for Detectives of Divinity VBS PLUS on February 23, 9:00-10:30 AM, at Bethel College Mennonite Church. VBS directors, pastors, teachers, leaders, and parents—all are invited to come, AND everyone who RSVPs by February 15 will receive a free devotional book, *Now It Springs Up*. Come see materials for preschoolers, children, youth and adults, featuring Bible stories and lots of games, crafts, activities, skits and ideas for you to make it happen in your congregation. RSVP to springsforthfaith@gmail.com.

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: 217-4570 or jordanmiller795@gmail.com.

Do you know where Kansans have worked with MDS in the last year? Do you know where you could serve with MDS for a day, a week, or longer? Join us at Eden Mennonite Church, 401 18th Ave, Moundridge on Sunday, February 24, 2:00 PM, for a review of the past year and to hear about experiences of people who have served.

It's time for DESSERT! Camp Mennoscah will be holding the annual Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction at Bethel College Mennonite Church on February 24, 4:00-6:00 PM. We'll be celebrating and raising funds for our summer staff who provide mentoring relationships and faith formation, which is what camp is all about. One set of hymns will be "bluegrass" and led by (former) summer staff!

All are welcome to join the fun at the 12th annual Mennonite Central Committee Comforter Blitz on March 4, 5 and 6 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Times are Monday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM; Tuesday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM; and Wednesday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM. Come and have a good time while helping others. No sewing skills are required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. Bring snacks to share during the work day. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC.

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.

Looking for your donations of old cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles, mowers and most ANYTHING of value for the KS MCC Sale this coming April. If you are thinking of buying a new car, consider donating your old car to the MCC Sale. Vehicles do not need to be running. We will pick them up, clean them up, and get them running. Your donations can change people's lives and give them hope. Call Jerry Toews at 620-367-8257.

MCC welcomes alumni to host reunions at the Welcoming Place in Akron, Pennsylvania, in 2020 as we celebrate our 100th anniversary. To see if a reunion is already scheduled for the country where you served or to organize a reunion, contact alumni@mcc.org.

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—215 Visitors—6 Sunday School—151

Offering: Last week's offering for Local Mission was \$15,995. The offering for February 24 is for Local Mission.

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

FMC's Story in Photos—What are the origins of First Mennonite in Newton? Within the 140-year existence of the congregation, what challenges have occurred? What highlights? Get familiar with FMC's story by viewing the photo exhibit which is now in the display cabinets. Start at the cabinet outside the Church Office, go to the two corner units and then finish at cabinet outside the Library. (Thanks to Ron Dietzel for this display.)

Scholarship Fund update—The February offering gave a nice boost to the fund balance. On behalf of the students and their families, the Scholarship Committee says *Thank you*. A large group of our young adults continue to pursue higher education at a Mennonite Christian school. For the 2019 Spring semester, \$4,875 was paid out for eleven scholarships at five schools. The young adults are blessed by a congregation that believes in and supports them. The students and their families plus the Scholarship Committee appreciate the past and current generosity of the congregation.

Beginning today and going into March, we will be hearing the faith stories of persons who are preparing to become formal members of First Mennonite Church. The membership service will be on April 7. Please give thanks for the gift of these persons' presence here.

Coffee and peppernuts will be served by the Youth Group for two more Sundays—today and February 24. This is a great ministry of hospitality. If you would like to organize and/or participate to keep it going, please contact Jordan Miller very soon!