

Got PURPOSE?

September 22, 2019

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Gathering

Gathering songs, scripture, prayer:

*Here I am to worship
Shout to the Lord*

Welcome and greeting each other Nancy Waltner, worship leader
Children come forward

Praising

Children’s focus Peter Wintermote

The work of the people (announcements)

Offering: Local Mission

Offertory

(Please pass the welcome pads)

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

Pastoral prayer Pastor Kay Schroeder

Song of faith: *God, whose purpose is to kindle* H 135

Hearing and Responding to God’s Word

Scripture: Matthew 4:18-20; 16:15-20, 21-23; 26:31-35, 73-75;
Luke 22:61-62

Sermon: *PURPOSE Revealed* Pastor Joel Schroeder

Song of response: *Build my life*

Sending

Sending song: *Firm Foundation* **CS 47

Sending words

Postlude

*H denotes Hymnal: A Worship Book **CS denotes Companion Songbook

Chorister: Daryl Unruh; Amanda Entz, organist/pianist; Jyl Ewy, piano; Joey Menninga, bass;
Kay Schroeder and Joan Entz, vocals.

Childcare: Bryan Kehr, Sheralyn Goering, Sarah Koehn

Nurse: Shirley Dietzel, Kathleen Andres, Eric and Judy Murphy

Ushers: Alan Entz, Ryan Nye, Jan Groves, Wenda Black

Audio Tech: Ryan Koehn

Video/Lighting Tech: Eric Murphy

Visuals: Connie Claassen

Property Committee: Alan Entz

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, September 22—*Got PURPOSE?*

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

Wednesday, September 25—Church Family Night Begins

- 5:30 PM Meal served by Christian Fellowship
Menu: Hamburgers, Baked Beans, Chips and Dessert
- 6:45 PM Children—ages 2 years to 5th 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, September 29—*PURPOSE Experienced*

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

Upcoming Worship Services

- October 6: World Communion Sunday

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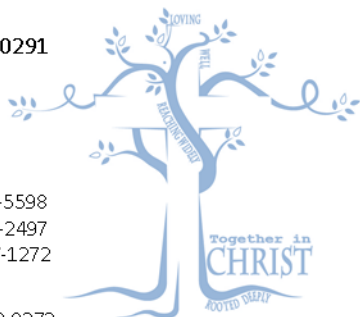
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got purpose?
What On Earth Am I Here For?

SIMMON
PETER

A flawed yet faithful follower of Jesus

First Mennonite Church
September 22, 2019

Part 1 of 3

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT SAFETY MONITORS NEEDED—The Safety Team and Safe Sanctuaries Committee are needing volunteers to serve as Safety Monitors during Church Family Nights starting this Wednesday, September 25. Safety Monitors will help ensure safety for all who gather at FMC. There will be two shifts (6:00-7:00 PM and 7:00-8:00 PM) each Wednesday evening for the basement and for the main floor. For more information or to volunteer, contact Pat Denno.

Jordan Miller needs three volunteers to help put in a foundation in Avant, Oklahoma. They are leaving Thursday, September 26, at 4:30 PM and will return late Saturday, September 28. This kicks off training for the year long volunteers. They will build a new home for a family affected by recent flooding. Transportation, tools, meals and lodging will be provided. Please text, email or call Jordan Miller with any questions!

Volunteers are needed for Eureka, KS—Saturday, October 5th. Plan to meet here at First Mennonite Church at 6:00 AM, in the East gravel parking lot. We will plan to be back in Newton between 5:00 and 6:00 PM. We will be completing several roofs that were damaged in the 2018 tornado there. Transportation, tools, water and lunch will be provided. Please text, email or call Jordan Miller with any questions!

For the next few weeks we will be featuring the celebrations of 1992 and 1993 that we had at FMC. The Office Showcase is featuring the 1992 celebration of the Hobbies and Craft Fair sponsored by LIFE and the Library Showcase is featuring the 1993 celebration of Praise Events. We will continue to feature past celebrations that we have had at FMC. Hopefully, these pictures will bring back memories of exciting times from the past.

Homeless Shelter—Our next week to serve New Hope Homeless Shelter is October 2-8. If you are able to help, contact Lee Penner at 316-284-2154 or Ruby Moore at 620-837-4876.

Grocery Shower—Join us in celebrating the marriages of Ashlynn and Trevor Duerksen and Austin and Elizabeth Regier that took place this summer. The Fellowship Commission will host a grocery shower on **Sunday, October 6** between Sunday School and the worship service (**10:00-10:30 AM**) in the Fellowship Hall. The congregation is invited to come greet the couples, enjoy some cookies, and offer a grocery gift. If you are unable to attend but would like to offer a gift, you may bring your gift to the church office. ~The Fellowship Commission

Community Announcements

Now in the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College: “In Bloom,” ceramics by Natalie Brown through September 27. The gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, and Sunday, 2:00-4:00 PM.

Come celebrate another great year at Camp Mennoscah’s Annual Meeting! All are welcome to attend. Self-guided camp activities available beginning at 2:00 PM, today, with a BBQ chicken supper beginning at 5:30 PM. After supper, staff will share about the past year, and campers will reflect on their camp experiences. Also, enter your name to win one of several Camp Mennoscah prizes! Please register online at campmennoscah.org to let us know you’re coming!

The Bethel College Bible and Religion department lecture by Palwasha Kakar, senior program officer for religion and inclusive societies at the U.S. Institute of Peace in Washington, D.C., will be today, 7:00 PM, in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

Everyone is invited to the 4th Annual Community Hog Roast today, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM, at **Grace Hill Mennonite Church**. Enjoy an evening of outdoor fellowship with food, yard games and music by the Flannel Folks. A freewill donation will be accepted to support Newton, Whitewater, and Potwin food banks. Grace Hill is located at 10218 SE 12th St, Whitewater. For more information, contact Pastor Weldon Martens at 402-202-9276.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group at Kidron Bethel Village: On the last Thursday of each month at 2:00 PM in Menno Hall Chapel, Kidron Bethel holds a support group meeting for persons who are caring for loved ones living with dementia. The group is open to participants from the wider Newton community and has affiliation with the Alzheimer’s Association of Central and Western Kansas. Eric Massanari, KBV Chaplain, and Beth Penner, Associate Director of Independent Living, serve as group facilitators. Please contact Eric Massanari with any questions: 316-836-4829.

Comforter Mini Blitz—September 27 and 28 at MCC in North Newton! If you can tie a knot, you can tie a comforter! Come and join in the fun at this relaxed, come-and-go event. Bring your friends and family! Before you know it, you'll have helped to spread warmth and love around the world to people in situations far out of their control. Hours for the event are Friday, September 27, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM and Saturday, September 28, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM. Find out more at mcc.org/comforter-blitz. Questions, contact katemast@mcc.org, 283-2720.

Hesston College invites alumni and friends to campus for Homecoming 2019, September 26-29. The weekend offers activities for all ages, including dedications for the facilities part of the Be Greater campaign—Bess Mullet Softball Field, Yost Center and the Bonnie Sowers Nursing Center, The Manickam Mosey Two-Mile Run/Walk, a disc golf tournament, a kids' festival, picnic meal and athletic events. See the full weekend schedule at hesston.edu/homecoming.

Get involved with something BIG—record breaking BIG! MCC is celebrating our 100th anniversary and attempting to collect 6500 comforters to deliver to people in need all around the world. Get involved by tying a comforter on January 18, 2020 (mark your calendars now!). **We are looking for people to host a comforter tying event in their**

community. Contact Kate Mast at 283-2720 or katemast@mcc.org for details, supplies and resources. It's more than a warm blanket; it's a message of love and compassion.

Pies Needed! Help support Bethel College Women's Association by donating pies for BCWA's Pie-By-The-Slice booth at Fall Festival 2019. Bring your pies to Seminar A in Schultz Student Center from 3:30 to 6:30 PM, on Friday, October 11, or 8:00-11:00 AM, on Saturday, October 12. (no custard pies please) All proceeds go to Bethel College.

Fall Festival at Bethel College—October 10-13 with most events Saturday, October 12. For more information go to bethelks.edu/fallfest/ or Fall Fest 2019 on Facebook.

SAVE THE DATE—IBA BENEFIT DINNER: The annual Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA) benefit dinner will take place Friday, October 18, 6:00 PM, here at **First Mennonite Church**. A smothered pork burrito dinner will be prepared and served by Chef Carlos Lujano. (Chicken and Meatless burritos available by request.) A short program with some words and greetings from Marco Güete, Director. Dinner is by donation. This is a great opportunity for a Sunday School class, small group or individuals to come to support IBA that equips Hispanic leaders in Mennonite Church USA for ministry. IBA is a program of Mennonite Education Agency's Hispanic Ministries for Leadership Development and Pastoral Education. For any inquires contact Violeta Ajquejay Suastegui at: VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org or call 316-281-4342.

Join MCC for a South Texas Borderlands learning tour, November 3-8. This learning tour will be packed with opportunities for learning about immigration. From talking with MCC partners who work in legal representation, to those that do water drops, to providing shelter to those recently released. You will also connect with people who have lived the immigrant experience, visit Mennonite churches on the border, hear perspectives from south of the border, and visit a detention center. You will have a first-hand learning experience on the impact of policy and see the hope of incredible people working to extend God's love and compassion for all. The cost for the trip is \$700, plus airfare. Please contact anahinojosa@mcc.org or jordanpenner@mcc.org for more information.

Looking for a way to serve as the hands and feet of God? Mennonite Central Committee has vacancies that could be just right for you! **MCC Representative(s) for Northeast Asia:** This position maintains relationships with MCC partners in Democratic People's Republic of Korea and South Korea and represents MCC to churches, agencies, community groups and their leaders, and the government. **MCC Representative(s) for Ukraine:** This position provides leadership and programmatic direction to the Ukraine program. MCC Ukraine currently works in the areas of Material Resources, Education, Health, Sustainable Livelihoods, and Peace. For more information about these opportunities and more, visit serve.mcc.org!

All singers are invited to sing in the annual Hesston College Masterworks performance on Saturday, November 16. This year's performance will be *Song of Wisdom*. Rehearsals begin October 7. For more information, go to hesston.edu/masterworks or contact Russell Adrian at russell.adrian@hesston.edu or 620-327-8143.

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 in Room 225. 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:

- Camp Mennoscah Retreat Weekend—140

Receiving or has received care—Delores Yoder, LaWanda Wiens, John Schmidt, NMC.

Congratulations to Olivia Miller and John Reimer who were married Saturday, September 21. May God grant them many years together.

THANK YOU to Janett Wiebe and LaVerna Schierling for sharing their quilted wall hangings in the sanctuary and the gathering area.

Thank you to Property Committee and the group of young men from Bethel College for the new mulch on the playground!

The Casita on the southeast corner of our church property needs the electric stove replaced. Please contact Linda Shelly if you know of any possibilities.

Fall Church Family Night, begins this Wednesday, September 25. Supper will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Following supper, there will be activities for all ages. All kids (including preschoolers) will meet in room 123 for singing at 6:45 PM. The Preschoolers, ages 3 and 4, will then meet in room 234 after singing. K-5th grade will meet in room 123. Junior High (6th-8th grade) will meet in room 126, High School will meet in room 122-124, Adult Bible Study with Sam Claassen in room 224, and Choir will meet in the Sanctuary. Please join us and bring your friends for Fall Church Family Night!

SR. HIGH YOUTH



YOUTH GROUP RE-GROUP— GOD PURPOSE!

- » Let US grow into the persons we were created to be realizing our ultimate PURPOSE in God!
- » **COMMUNITY NIGHT**—Wed., Sept. 25 (7:04 pm) in Youth Room @ FMC—It's mug making night! We'll be building purposeful community as we decorate our own individual mugs to be used during Youth Group and Sunday School.
- » **JOEL NIGHT**—Wed., Oct. 2 (7:04 pm)
- » **YOUTH COUNCIL**—Sunday, Oct. 6 (12:02 pm)

