

Worshipping God With Our Lives

October 13, 2019 - 10:30 am

Gathering

Gathering song: *Worship the Lord in the beauty* (*H 220)

Welcome and Prayer — Pastor Joel Schroeder

One: Loving God, life of the universe,

Many: we gather to worship you.

One: Great Creator, who formed us in your image,

Many: we gather to worship you.

One: Holy Redeemer, who became flesh and lived among us,

Many: we gather to worship you.

One: Sustaining Spirit, who breathes into us always
the holy breath of life,

All: together we gather to worship you. Amen. **

Praising

Scripture: Revelation 4:8-11

Songs of faith: *Holy God, we praise thy name* (*H 121)

Revelation song

God of wonders

Greet one another; children come forward

Children's focus — Ken Frey

The work of the people (announcements)

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: Local Mission

Offertory

(Please pass the welcome pads)

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

Hearing God's Word

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 16:23-31; Romans 12:1 — Brent Voran

Sermon: "Worshipping God 24/7" — Pastor Kay Schroeder

Responding to God's Word

Song of response: *Heart of worship*

Sending

Sending song: *Not be shaken*

Sending words

Postlude

*H denotes Hymnal: A Worship Book

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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, October 13—Worshipping God with our Lives

- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 12:00 PM Partnering With Parents (Sr. High)
- 4:04 PM Sr. High Bible Study

Wednesday, October 16—Church Family Night

- 5:30 PM Meal served by Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania
Menu: meat in sauce, cheese, lettuce, beans, rice, chips, hot and mild salsa
- 6:45 PM Children-ages 2 years to 5th grade (Room 123)
- 6:45 PM Adult Bible Study (Room 224)
- 6:45 PM Choir (Sanctuary)
- 6:45 PM Jr. High (Room 126)
- 6:33 PM Sr. High Youth Group (Room 124)

Sunday, October 20—Guest preacher: Kathy Goering Reid

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

Upcoming Worship Services

- October 27:
- November 3: Remembrance Sunday
- November 10: PURPOSE: Walking on Water

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*Let the heavens be glad,
And let the earth rejoice,
And let them say
among the nations,
"The Lord reigns!"*

1 Chronicles 16:31

First Mennonite Church

Newton, KS — October 13, 2019

SR. HIGH YOUTH



- **OCTOBER 13 (TODAY)** = 9:30 am-**Sunday School**; 10:30 am-Worship (youth lead singing); 12 noon-**Partnering With Parents**; 4:04 pm-**Bible Study**
- **OCTOBER 16 (6:33pm)** = **Youth Group** (Eph. 4 Bible Study + Youth Council)

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

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. 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.

Save the Date! If you have not attended Safe Sanctuaries training and wish to work with children in any capacity at our church, please plan to attend Safe Sanctuaries training on Sunday, October 27th at noon. A light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Bryan Kehr at bryank@hesston.edu. If you have any questions, please ask any Nurture commission member.

In celebration of **MCC's 100th anniversary**, the K-5 Church Family Night group is learning about the mission and vision of MCC this fall. We plan to pack relief and infant kits on Oct. 30 and Nov. 6, respectively. If you would like to help us with our cause, we are in need of the following supplies: large bars of laundry and body soap, new bath towels, shampoo bottles, thin maxi pads, bandaids, toothbrushes, wide-tooth combs, nail clippers, infant gowns/sleepers, undershirts/onesies, receiving blankets, large heavy-duty safety pins, and a cap. There will be a box in the foyer for you to place your donations. You may also make a monetary donation. If you have any questions, please contact Marsha Schmidt, Bethanie Wedel, or Angela Black.

The Allies group, which supports people with various sexual identities and their families and friends, will be meeting Sunday, Oct. 27 at 4 pm at Bethel College, Will Academic Center, room 208. We will be watching a video. For more information, contact Wendy Funk Schrag at pwschrag@cox.net.

Community Announcements

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.

Hoffnungsaus Mennonite Church's annual mission supper is just around the corner!! On Saturday, October 19, from 5-7, we will be serving our traditional sausage meal with mashed potatoes, gravy, creamed peas, zwiebach and homemade pie. All proceeds raised this year will go to support Mobility Worldwide - an organization that provides Personal Energy Transportation (PET) carts to some of the world's most vulnerable people. Moundridge is home to one of many PET workshops across the nation. For more information, call (620)585-6733 or visit Hoffnungsaus Mennonite Church (43 13th Avenue, Inman) on Facebook. Come one, come all! We'd love to serve you supper on the 19th and together raise funds for God's Kingdom work!

BBQ & Bluegrass: All are invited to First Mennonite Church of Halstead's Annual Hog Roast October 20 from 5-7pm at the city park Gazebo at 3rd & Locust in Halstead. A pulled pork meal with fixings will be served and bluegrass music provided by Smokey Mountain Bluegrass Band. Cost will be by donation. Proceeds will go to Offender Victim Ministries in Newton and Mennonite Central Committee refugee relief/immigration welcome efforts. Bring lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the church at 4th and Santa Fe.

Newton Area MCC Meat Canning—The meat canning dates are October 29-31. Please consider giving some time to help and if you can't help, please consider giving money to pay for the cost of meat.

Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats! Camp Mennoscah offers two fall retreats for croppers and crafters, November 1-3 and November 15-17. These retreats are for any skill level, grades 3 through adult. Register at campmennoscah.org! The retreats are filling up fast!

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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. The cost for the trip is \$700, plus airfare. Please contact anahinojosa@mcc.org or jordanpenner@mcc.org for more information.

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.

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.

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!

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) has urgent need for volunteers in Florida, Texas, North Carolina and California. For more information about how to vacation with a purpose this winter, call 1-800-241-8111 or visit <https://mds.mennonite.net>.

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 for October 6

Attendance: Worship—201; Visitors—17; Sunday School—152

Offering: Mennonite Central Committee—\$2,083; Local Mission—\$15,305
The October 20 offering will be directed towards Local Mission.

Pastoral Transition: As we gather and listen to Pastor Kay this morning, please be aware that this will be her final sermon at First Mennonite Church. Pastor Kay's, as well as Pastor Joel's, final Sunday at FMC will be November 24.

Partnering With Parents - Parents of senior high youth are invited to join Pastor Joel and the youth sponsors for lunch today (10/13) in the Fellowship Hall for conversation about FMC youth ministries and the upcoming transition.

Annual Reports—The annual congregational meeting has been set for Sunday, November 10. An email/letter has been sent out to those who need to write an annual report for this meeting. **Please make sure your report is turned into the Church Office today.** If you have any questions, contact the Church Office.

For your awareness: The church office will be closed on Monday, Oct. 14.

All adults and high school students are invited to a special presentation in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour (9:15-10:15 AM) on October 20. Our presenter, Kathy Goering Reid, is the Executive Director of the Family Abuse Center in Waco, Texas, and will speak about domestic abuse. Ordained in both the Brethren in Christ and Mennonite USA denominations, Kathy will also preach that Sunday during the worship service on the topic of forgiveness.

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.