

# World Communion Sunday

## October 3, 2021

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### Gathering

#### Welcome

Pastor Susan Jantzen

#### Meditation music

Soul adorn thyself with gladness--Telemann  
from *Organ Music for the Communion Service* edited by Paul Bunjes,  
Amanda Rempel, organist

#### Responsive call to worship

*Voices Together* 870  
Pastor Susan Jantzen

### Listening

#### Worship song

*From North and South, from East and West*  
Ben's Band

#### Passing the Peace

Pastor Laura Goerzen

#### Prayer for the offering—Western District

Pastor Susan Jantzen

#### Scripture

Philippians 1:1-26

#### Sermon

*Joy Rides*  
Pastor Laura Goerzen

### Communion

#### Song of preparation

*Come Away from Rush and Worry* VT 9

#### Prayer of confession

*Lord's Prayer* VT 989A

#### Taking the Bread and Cup

#### Closing prayer

#### Prayers of the church

Dennis Good

### Sending

#### Sending song

*God Our Protector*  
Ben's Band

#### Announcements and benediction

Pastor Susan Jantzen

#### Postlude

*Sent forth by God's blessing* arr. David N Johnson,  
Amanda Rempel, organist

**All rows remain seated during postlude.**

**Thank you.**

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*We will be live-streaming our worship beginning at 10:30 AM. You may view it on our webpage ([firstmennonitenewton.org](http://firstmennonitenewton.org)), on our Facebook page, YouTube, or at our Vimeo site. Recordings of the service will be available afterwards as well. Today, Ryan Goertzen Regier, Ryan Koehn and Eric Murphy are operating the necessary systems for our worship. Musicians: Amanda Rempel, Ben's Band Thank you to Connie Claassen for the visual art. Property Committee: John Good.*

## Upcoming Worship Services

**October 10**—Pastor Laura preaching—*Joy Rebels*—Philippians 1:27-30.

**October 17**—Kay Neff and Lance Pollingouma of Peace Academic Center, Kykotsmovi, AZ.

**October 24**—Tammy Duvanel Unruh—*Joy Empties*—Philippians 2:1-11

**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

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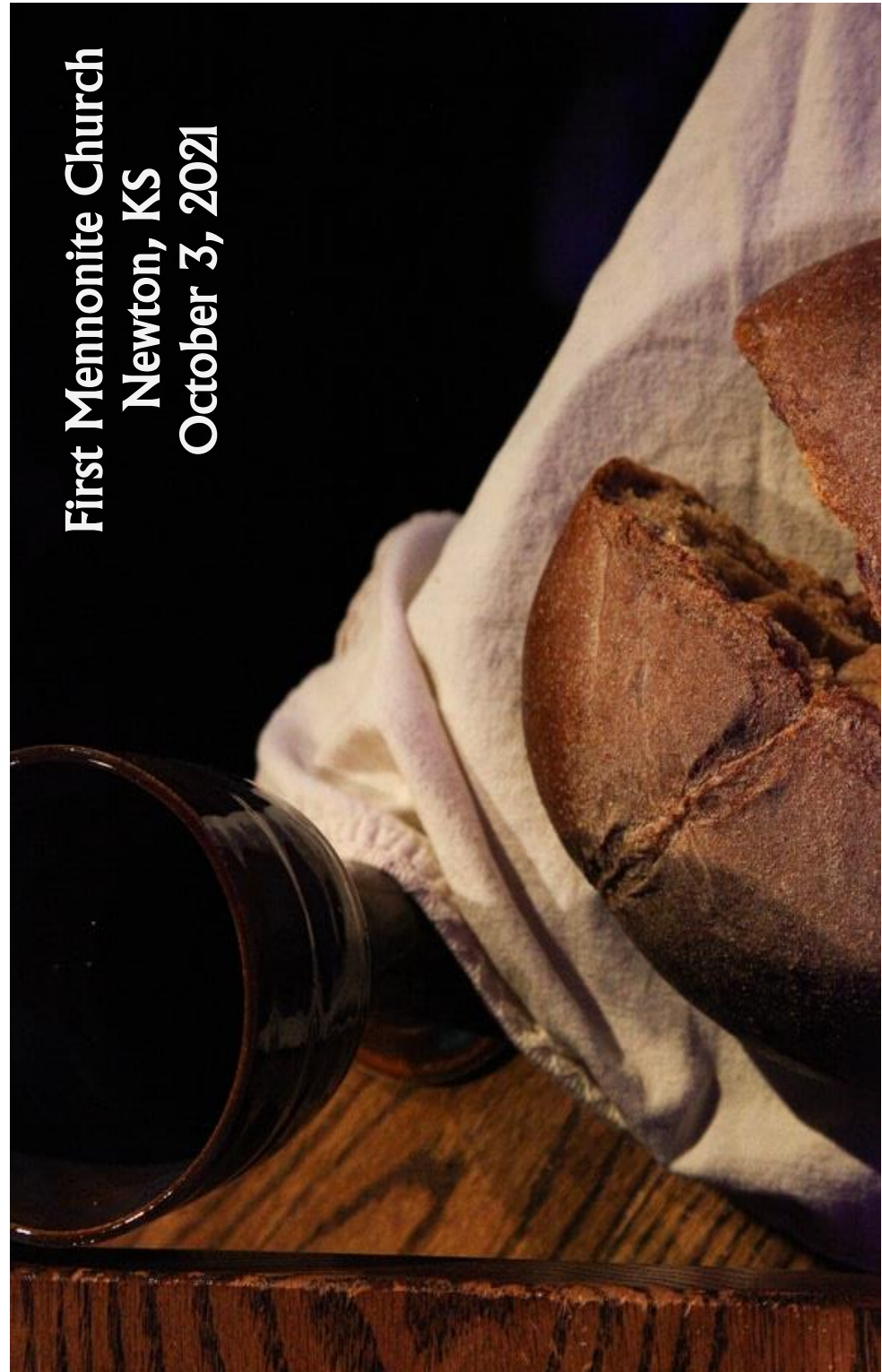
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First Mennonite Church  
Newton, KS  
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# SR. HIGH YOUTH



- Sunday School—in person and Zoom—9:15 AM
- Youth Group—Wednesday, October 6, 7:00 PM

Check your email for more information on Sunday School and Youth Group.

## Community Announcements

**Everence to host informative webinars in October**—Beginning Tuesday, October 5, Everence Financial will host three informative webinars. Topics include *Making Medicare an easy step, Maximizing your year-end giving and Estate planning basics*. The online events are free. To register, or for more information, visit [www.everence.com/kansas](http://www.everence.com/kansas) or contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294, or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).

**Join MCC in prayer** and support for those suffering in our world. MCC has prepositioned relief materials in Haiti for immediate use. Earlier this month an additional shipment of supplies was sent to Haiti and is expected to arrive in September. MCC continues to respond to needs around the world in Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Congo and other crisis areas. We greatly appreciate your monetary donations to keep current projects going and to help with extra expenses due to recent disasters; and we could use your help in replenishing our supplies of relief kits and hygiene kits. Questions can be directed to 316-283-2720 or [centralstates@mcc.org](mailto:centralstates@mcc.org).

**Bethel College Wind Ensemble concert**—Wednesday, October 6, 7:00 PM, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. Bethel's current COVID-19 protocols require physical distancing and mask-wearing indoors regardless of vaccination status.

**Fall Fun Volunteer Day!** Saturday, October 9, is a Work and Play Day for all ages. Come with your friends, your kids or grandkids and even your own work group! Let us know you're coming so we have the best projects for your skills at 620-297-3290 or [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org). Please bring your water bottle and a sack lunch. Mask and distance at your own comfort level. Meet at the maintenance shed by the red apartment at 8:30 AM. Stick around afterwards for one last kayak or canoe ride or a hike around camp!

**Come hear the Paradizo Choir** of Amani Community Church, Wichita, Kansas, at Hesston Mennonite Church on Sunday, October 10, 4:00 PM. The choir is sharing the Benefit Concert for the Amani Building Fund toward an initial goal of raising \$50,000. Translation of Swahili-language songs will be projected in English. YouTube videos of the Choir may be found under Amani Community Church.

**The 2021 Bethel College Worship and Arts Symposium, *Joining Voices Together***, has been postponed due to COVID precautions. The symposium will be rescheduled in Fall

2022, with a new date to be announced soon. The Voices Together art exhibition will still take place as planned, with original art works from the Voices Together hymnal on display October 29–November 19, 2021, in the Regier Art Gallery in the Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College.

**MCC in North Newton** currently has over 800 sets of comforter tops and backs that need to be tied, as well as kits of fabric that can be sewn into more tops. MCC's partners all around the world value these handmade comforters as useful, beautiful and tangible expressions of love. If you or your sewing group would be interested in tying or sewing for MCC, or if you have questions and are curious about how to make a comforter, please contact Kate Mast at the MCC Material Resources Center at [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org), or 316-283-2720.

**The annual Hispanic Ministries—IBA Burrito Benefit Sale** will take place Friday, October 15. Order to go (drive thru pick up) here at First Mennonite Church. For any inquiries contact Violeta Ajquejay Suastegui at [VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org](mailto:VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org) or 316-281-4342. For your information the burritos are cold, like we did last year.

### Instructions to pick up burritos on Friday October 15 at First Mennonite Church:

1. To keep the traffic pattern simple, we ask that to pick up your burritos, you come from the East (Walnut Street) on SE 2<sup>nd</sup> and turn into the FMC parking lot entrance just past the playground area. We will be at the West door (elevator entrance) with the burritos between 5:00 and 6:30 p.m.
2. Violeta will be checking the orders and we ask that you drive through and give her the name of the person who made the order and we check you off of the list and bring your burritos to you.
3. We rather you mail the check to MEA-IBA, 718 North Main Street, Newton KS 67114. However, We also will be receiving donation checks when you pick up the burritos if you rather do that.

**Register at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org)!** There is only one Fall Scrapbook and Crafts Retreat. Lodging will be in the Retreat Center and cropping/crafting will be in the Main Camp dining hall. Space heaters will be available for both areas since the repairs for the furnaces will not be complete by the beginning of November. Fees for the Scrapbook and Crafts Retreat have increased to \$150 to meet higher costs and the use of multiple facilities. For those who find the increase prohibitive, there is an option to receive up to \$25 in scholarship funds per person as part of the registration process.

**MDS volunteers needed:** Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) calls for volunteers with a heart for service and an attitude of flexibility. Volunteers are needed in Paradise, California; Jennings, Louisiana; McAllen, Texas as well as other work sites organized by local Units. MDS is seeking volunteers who, while eager to get back out there, must be ready to roll with both safety precautions and schedule changes as COVID-19 cases fluctuate. Call 1-800-241-8111 or go to [mds.org](http://mds.org) to learn more. As these projects prepare to open, MDS wants volunteers to know that we are working to make sure that they have a meaningful experience and that it is as safe as possible.

## Announcements

**The United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP 26)** will be held November 2021 in Glasgow. Consider holding leaders and participants in prayer.

**Please save the date** for the Kauffman Museum annual Living Endowment Dinner on Saturday, October 23.

- Due to continued health concerns associated with the Delta variant we will host a pick-up/drive-by/delivered fall fundraising meal.
- The museum will again collaborate with Elderslie Farm of Kechi to bring you a locally sourced meal.
- In anticipation of the spring museum exhibit celebrating 125 years of a museum on the Bethel College campus (now Kauffman Museum!), the dinner will reflect menus of 1896 when the museum first opened.
- Reservations = \$125 per person. (Get it?)
- Watch for an invitation in the mail and instructions for online reservations.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS, TELL YOUR FRIENDS, AND PLAN TO MAKE RESERVATIONS!**

**The October 28th WDC Library Zoom discussion** will be on *Who Are Our Enemies and How Do We Love Them?* by Hyung Jin Kim Sun. What did Jesus demonstrate and teach about loving enemies? How is nonviolence connected to Christian faith and spirituality? Isn't violence sometimes necessary? This book leads toward a deeper faith as we consider how to live with enemies in a violent world. See more about the book from Herald Press. Email [crlib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crlib@mennowdc.org) to borrow a copy of the book and to register for the discussion.

**Kansas MDS Unit sponsoring** two Learning and Service trips to McAllen, Texas. The dates of the two trips are October 16-23 and February 19-26, 2022. Participants will leave Kansas on Saturday morning traveling to San Antonio, TX, staying overnight. Visiting San Antonio Mennonite Church on Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon traveling to McAllen, TX for the MDS project. **Costs:** Lodging and meals on the two traveling weekends. MDS will cover the remainder of the expenses. **Reservations:** To make your reservations or for more information contact Cleo Koop at [cleohkoop@gmail.com](mailto:cleohkoop@gmail.com) or call 316-282-0797.



**The offering for October 10** will be for Local Mission. Offerings can be sent to the church at P.O. Box 291, 429 E. First Street, Newton, KS 67114. There is also an offering plate in the Gathering Area that will be checked daily if you want to drop your gifts off at church. Please mark the designation of your offering. If left unmarked, it will go to Local Mission. For electronic giving, go to the church website: [firstmennonitenewton.org](http://firstmennonitenewton.org) or contact the church office.

**First Mennonite Church worship attendance**—September 26—121.

**Offering for September 19 and 26.** Local Mission—\$8,035; online giving for Local Mission—\$3,673.

**We will be celebrating communion today,** World Communion Sunday. Please consider your relationships with God and with others and you prepare to participate in a ritual that connects us to the worldwide Christian body of faith.

**Mark your calendar! October 10, 6:30 PM,** in our sanctuary, Rosi Penner Kaufman will be helping us explore our new hymnal, *Voices Together*. Rosi has been is Minister of Music and Worship since 2000 at Rainbow Mennonite Church in Kansas City, is an organist, choir director and has taken the six-week courses our seminary offered on *Voices Together*. One of our First Mennonite quartets will be singing songs as we explore them. Come join us for **An Evening of Voices Together!** All who come, masking and social distance required.

**The Outreach, Missions, and Peace Commission** gives leadership to our efforts to extend God's love to the world through ministries of mission, evangelism, peacemaking and social justice. If you are curious about current projects of this group, please contact one of the members listed in the back of the church directory. If you feel led to be a part of this group, please contact Keith Knopp, member of the Gifts Discernment Committee.

**You are invited to view** the Memorial Displays for Helen Entz and Otis Unruh in the Gathering Area and for Mary Enz in the Library display case. The Caregiving and Membership Commission wishes to honor persons who passed away during the required limitations beginning March 2020.

**Transitional Information:** The Search Committee continues with the interview process for our second pastor. We are, once again, in the phase of working behind the scenes until we can share with the church about our efforts. Please be patient with us as we move through this confidential and important step on our journey. Your prayers have been felt and appreciated; please continue to remember us in this critical stage of discernment.