

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 2:4-5

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

Romans 12:9-18

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil,
hold fast to what is good;
love one another with mutual affection;
outdo one another in showing honor.

Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.

Rejoice in hope; be patient in suffering.
Persevere in prayer.

Contribute to the needs of the saints;
extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you;
bless and do not curse them.

Rejoice with those who rejoice,
weep with those who weep.

Live in harmony with one another;
do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly;
do not claim to be wiser than you are.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil,
but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all.

If it is possible, so far as it depends on you,
live peaceably with all.

WELCOME TO ALL who are guests this morning.
We hope you feel warmly received and experience a time of worship. Please feel free to contact Pastor Susan if you would like to visit.

ADAM MILLER, SON OF DOUG MILLER, shared in Sunday School today. He was injured in the Hesston events at Excel this past February.

WORSHIP TODAY, "HOLDING ON TO HOPE," will include prayers for healing and the lighting of candles of hope.

PASTOR SUSAN OFFICIATED at an out-of-state wedding yesterday. She and Jim return home this evening.

HANK UNRUH IS BACK with us after a week at Anabaptist Biblical Seminary in Indiana for the opening week of the seminary schedule. We give thanks for Hanks beginning of seminary study!

WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE is **different** this year. For one thing, after the meal there is more time for adults for clean-up (rotating cook schedule) and visiting.
Take a look: 6:15 – Supper
7 to 7:45 p.m. – Children's activities
7 to 8:30 p.m. – Youth activities
7:15 to 8:15 p.m. – Adult session
(those with children/youth would be free to leave at 7:45 p.m.)

TRANSITIONS: WE INVITE EACH OF YOU to come to Fellowship Hall on Wednesday **this week** for a time of sharing with Katherine and Derek Hamm who have moved to Matfield Green, and Carolyn and Don Penner who will be moving September 10 to a Kidron Bethel duplex in North Newton. While these faith friends will still be present some Sundays, we want to take time to speak our memories and appreciations to them, and to pray together. Come and join us. Cool refreshments will be offered.

SATURDAY EVENING PRAYERS WILL BE offered at 6:30 p.m. during the month of September starting with September 3. This brief prayer in the sanctuary will also be available in print and on the website to pray at your home if you are unable to be physically present. These prayers prepare our hearts for Sunday worship with each other and deepen our capacity to "Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WEDNESDAY evening activities are starting soon and we are delighted. Check calendar in the bulletin for starting dates. May the joy and love of God be with us as we come together!

SABBATH. What does it mean for us as individuals and community? How is God the God of Sabbath and not the God of constant work? What are the characteristics of a Sabbath community?

We will be exploring Sabbath themes for the month of September during worship and adult Wednesday night classes. We will draw from the book "Sabbath as Resistance" by Walter Bruggemann. Copies will be available in the library, or it is available for less than \$10 online. It's only about 80 pages, so a quick read. Wednesday night classes will be led by the Fries.

REVEREND AWAD is an evangelical Christian Palestinian leader who has worked with Mennonites in education ventures for over 30 years (Hope Mennonite School and Bethlehem Bible College). Reverend Awad will be speaking in Newton, Elbing, Wichita, Hesston, and here at Tabor College (Tuesday, September 6). This visit from Reverend Awad is in response to the Mennonite Church USA resolution in Kansas City to further study the Israel/Palestine situation. To attend, see details on the bulletin board by the pastor's office.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A PERSON who is willing to give transportation to Harold Woelk from Bethesda Homes in Goessel to come to our worship. This is about a 15 minute drive one way. If you have questions or interest, please speak with Deanne Duerksen or Pastor Susan.

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

We lift in prayer: Susie Kliever, Marvin Funk, Doug Bartel, Ruth Ann Penner and Marcella Ediger, Keith and Judy Harder, Elsie Phillips, for healing following her fall, Harold Woelk, for back pain following a fall

We continue to give thanks for the start of another school year. We lift our teachers, students and all staff in prayer.

BETHEL COLLEGE:

Bethel College is offering many of its classes for community audit. You pay \$50 per credit hour (compared to the normal audit rate of \$85 per hour) OR, if you're age 62 and older, a flat rate of \$30. For more information, go to www.bethelks.edu/audit, where there is also a "fall course schedule" link. **Enrollment deadline is Aug. 30.**

Sat., Sept. 3 – Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk.

Join experienced birders Gregg Friesen and Rod Wedel at **7 a.m.** in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours. Please be aware this is mostly on an unpaved trail and the terrain is sometimes sloping or steep. (For help locating Kauffman Museum, see www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/ or the Kauffman Museum Facebook page.)

Mark your calendar for Sat., Sept. 24, 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.:

Kauffman Museum hosts, for *one afternoon only*, the traveling exhibit "A Place for All People" that celebrates the grand opening of the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture. At **3 p.m., director Annette LeZotte will present a program** on how the national museum developed and how it changes the visual landscape of the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

MCC:

Big Green Tractors pulling a people mover at the KS State Fairgrounds, needs DRIVERS. The Hillsboro churches have Sept. 9th, 2016 as the day to fill 14 time slots when tractor drivers are to commit to shuttle people to and from the State Fair parking areas to the entrance gates. MCC gets to lease the fairgrounds for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale in April, in exchange for providing the tractor drivers during the KS State Fair. Last year, I got a free pass into the fairgrounds as well. Sign up on the bulletin board or contact Douglas Graber, 620-382-6591, for when you want to drive. Get a friend to drive along with you and share the ride.

Urgent Need - Come to the MCC Kit Bag Assembly Party

on Friday, Sept. 9, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th), lunch will be provided. Cutting, ironing and sewing stations will be set up to help meet the need. **Call 316-283-2720 to RSVP.** Please indicate if you can bring a sewing machine or serger that day. Donations of medium weight cotton fabric at least one yard in length and neutral thread are needed. Please no heavy denim or double knit. Bring your friends and come join in the fun!

CALENDAR

August 28 SS/ Wednesday Night Teacher/Helper In-Service after church
August 31 7 p.m. Transitions Meeting
Sept 1 8 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
Sept 4 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sept 7 First Wednesday activities
Sept 8 7 p.m. Ministries Council Meeting
Sept 11 First day of Sunday School
Sept 17 Arts and Crafts Fair
Sept 18 5:30 p.m. Hispanic Group Gathering
Sept 21 8 p.m. Care Committee Meeting

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Today: Shirley Reusser, Eldon & Julie Kaiser

Monday: Stan Flaming, Susan Jantzen

Wednesday: Elaine Jantzen

Thursday: Glen Diener, Glen Kliewer

Friday: Tammy Wintermote

Driver: Susie Kliewer **Next Week:** Doug Bartel

TREASURER'S REPORT 8/21/2016

FMC Ministries..... \$1,059.00
Year to Date Budget Income \$93,632.71
Year-to-date Budget Expenses \$98,402.80
FMC Ministries Fund Balance -\$4,770.09

Last Week Attendance: 82

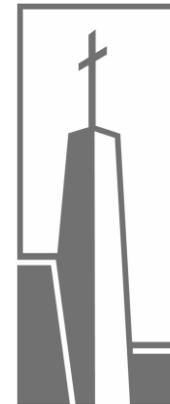
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The church building is open from 9 am to noon Mon. – Fri. except for holidays. For assistance outside of those times, please contact Tim Unruh at 620-947-1585. Please schedule all meetings & events at FMC through the church office.



FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -
Making Disciples through
Loving Relationships.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:35 a.m.

August 28, 2016

GATHERING

Gathering Music Shirley Flaming
Welcome and Announcements Judy Harder
Prelude to Worship Shirley Flaming

We carry in a flame, the Bible, and a prayer cloth,
trusting the Lord to guide us, the Word to teach us and
prayer to knit our lives together with God in our worship.

*Call to Worship Judy Harder

We have come to worship God, the living God,
who lives and moves among us.

We have come to praise God, the almighty God,
**who answers the forces of hatred and hurt
with the power of grace.**

We have come to worship God, all gracious God,
**who invites us to receive and extend God's gifts
of life, grace and hope.**

*Prayer Hymn *Jesus, stand among us* No. 25

SHARING

Hymn *There is more love somewhere* Grey Sgbk 54
Children's Story Judy Harder

Offering *You are salt for the earth* No. 226
(children dismissed to Children's Time)

LISTENING

Scripture (inside front flap of bulletin) Laurel Koerner
Isaiah 2:4-5 and Romans 12:9-18

Message Keith Harder

RESPONDING

Sharing Prayer Concerns Keith Harder

Lighting Candles of Healing and Hope

*Hymn *We are people of God's peace* No. 407

*Benediction Keith Harder