

*Let anyone among you
who is without sin
be the first to throw
a stone at her.*



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| Anthem | Be Thou My Vision <i>Chancel Choir</i> | Parker |
| The Lesson | | John 8:2-11 PB 870 |
| Sermon | Justice and Peace | Matt Lehman Wiens |
| *Hymn | My soul cries out | SS 124 |
| Work of the Church | | Lois Harder |

Welcome and Introductions
Announcements and Activities
Joys and Concerns
Prayer

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| *Hymn | Healer of our every ill | HWB 377 |
| *Benediction | | |
| Postlude | St. Anthony's Chorale | Haydn |

*Congregation stands

HWB = Hymnal, a Worship Book; SJ = Sing the Journey
SS = Sing the Story; PB = Pew Bible

Many thanks to Matt for bringing the message this morning! Matt is the director of development at Mennonite Mission Network. He is married to Ruth who is in her third year of medical school at KU Med School, here in Wichita. They are both graduates of Goshen College (where they met). Matt is originally from Kidron, OH and Ruth grew up in Newton; First Mennonite is her home congregation. We're so glad to have them here at Lorraine Avenue!

Next Sunday (Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend) – Rev. Michael Poage will preach.

We light the peace lamp as a reminder that peace is God's will for all of creation, that Christ is the Prince of Peace, and that the Holy Spirit empowers us to proclaim boldly the gospel of peace.

We welcome you to this service of worship! Please write your name on the welcome pad at the end of your pew, and then return it to learn

who is sitting near you. Please include your address if you are a visitor or new attender. A nursery for children up to 5 years of age is available in Room 204.

For those with hearing difficulties, assistive listening equipment (which includes headphones and a small, pocket-sized receiver) is available. Please ask one of the ushers for assistance.

Greeters this morning are Dolly and Wally Seibel. **Nursery workers during worship** are Betty and Bryce Balton and Anna Harder; **during Sunday School**, Aimee Leisy. **Fellowship workers** are Dwayne and Sandy Schrag.

Following the worship service, you are all invited to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and casual conversation until the bell rings for Sunday School. (Please see the list of classes below.)

Among our friends:

There is a Christmas letter from **John and MaDonna Yoder** on the south lobby bulletin board.

January 16, 2016, marks The Kansas African American Museum's 37th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Celebration. A list of events is posted on each door and on the table outside the church office. The program in the evening will be held at Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, featuring Wiley College Choir and you **WILL** need a button. Today and next Sunday, members of the Peace Committee will be selling buttons (\$3.00 each) during fellowship time. LAMC purchased 100 buttons and shared half with The Greater Faith Christian Church - so we have only 50 – limited time, limited supply, but you may buy as many as you need! ***The Wichita Ministerial League Martin Luther King program will be Monday, January 18, at the WSU Metro-Plex (29th & Oliver), at noon.***

In honor of the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., Bethel College offers two special events: Sunday, Jan. 17, 7 p.m. – screening of *In Prison My Whole Life*, an award-winning 2007 documentary on the court case of imprisoned political activist Mumia Abu-Jamal, with open discussion to follow with Jerrell Williams, director of Prison Ministries for OVM-Newton; **Monday, Jan. 18, 7 p.m. –** “The New Jane Crow,” a program with keynote speaker Michelle Armster, executive director of Mennonite Central Committee-Central States. Both events are in *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center*, and both are free and open to the public

with a freewill offering taken Monday to support the work of Newton Community for Racial Justice.

Life Ventures is throwing a party – a Kansas Day Birthday Party! On January 26, you're invited to join them at East Heights United Methodist Church, 4407 E. Douglas, for a program with Sierra Scott, lunch, and music with Ellan Muyskens. Doors open at 9:00 and the cost is \$12.50 per person. (Flyer is on the south lobby bulletin board.)

WDC Women in Mission will sponsor a Sister Care Weekend at Bethel College Mennonite Church, 2600 College Ave in North Newton on January 29 and 30. Come spend Friday evening (7-9 pm) and Saturday (9 am-4:30 pm) at a seminar that will provide tools for ongoing personal healing, for recognizing and celebrating God's grace in our lives, and for responding more confidently and effectively to the needs of others. Registration can be found on the WDC website (<http://mennowdc.org/sister-care-seminar-january-29-30-2016/>) or contact: Pam Schrag 317-217-1448; schragps52@gmail.com OR Nancy Krehbiel 620-245-2471, stevekrehb@mtelco.net.

The 2016 Annual Meeting of Global Learning Center will be held January 31, 2016, at Olive Tree Banquet Hall, 2949 N. Rock Rd. Following dinner at 6:00 and the annual meeting, Sonja Bontrager will speak on "Service Learning in Guatemala." *RSVP by January 27* to Michael Aumack michaelaumack@gmail.com or (316) 616-5538 so they can order enough delicious food. Cost is \$12 for member, \$14 for non-members, \$10 for students, or you may listen for free.

Ordinary radical, author and speaker **Shane Claiborne** will be the featured speaker at *Hesston College's 2016 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series conference Feb. 19 to 21*. The conference, **Not Just on Sunday**, will explore what it means to be a 24/7 disciple of Christ. Discover spiritual practices that empower us to change the world. Work at the balance of being and doing. Dig deeper into practices that bring transformation. Youth and adults are encouraged to participate as the weekend will feature tracks for Congregational Life led by Claiborne and Youth Ministry led by Nes Espinosa, executive director of Timoteo Football Philadelphia, which supports communities by empowering men to mentor youth through athletics and spiritual formation. For a full schedule, registration and speaker information, visit the Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series on the web.

Prayer for Iglesia Menonita Aposento Alto:

Please continue prayers and support for Pastor Byron and Hilda Pellecer and our Wichita Latino brothers and sisters of *Iglesia Menonita Aposento Alto* as we join with them in missional community as they grow in Christ. - LAMC Support Group

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Give thanks for WDC congregations extending support and hospitality to refugees and immigrants seeking a home.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Praise God for Janie and Neal Blough’s four decades of ministry in Paris, France, and beyond. Pray for the community of young adults from around the world who learned about Anabaptism during lectures Neal gave in London, England. May they integrate peace-building into their life’s ministries.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Pray that 2016 will bring a renewed commitment to peace talks between the Colombian government and the FARC and ELN guerilla groups, a commitment to reparations for the victims of the armed conflict in Colombia, and an end to impunity for the authors of human rights abuses.

Visitors from last Sunday:

Paul Schmidt, St. Louis, MO; Karen and Jim Fleming, Wichita; Danny Ibarra and Brett Chrisler, Hays, KS;

This Week at Church

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| Monday | Centering Prayer | 4:15 p.m. |
| | Yoga | 5:30 p.m. |
| | Wellness Group | 6:45 p.m. |
| Tuesday | Lifestyle Strategies- Fellowship Hall | 11:30 a.m. |
| | Deacons Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Yoga | 4:45 p.m. |
| | Peace Committee Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |
| | Chancel Choir rehearsal | 7:00 p.m. |
| Thursday | Lifestyle Strategies | 5:00 p.m. |
| | MCC Planning Meeting – Fellowship Hall | 7:00 p.m. |
| Friday | Yoga | 12:00 p.m. |

Elementary and Youth Sunday School Classes

Early Childhood (3- 4 year olds) Shine! Curriculum Room 206
Teachers: Linda Doll, Ellen Ebersole

Kindergarten - First Grade Shine! Room 201
Teachers: Kelly Cleary, Jill Robinson, and Alison Wenzel

Second - Fourth Grades Shine! Room 202
Teachers: Julie Dunkelberger and Beth Lichty

Fifth - Tenth Grades Shine! – L.E.D. Room B4
Teachers: Catherine Everingham, Ann Fetters, Lois Harder

Fifth – Tenth Grades Room B5
Faith Formation through Games
Teachers: Beverly Baumgartner, Joel Ewy, Kristina Everingham

Adult Sunday School Classes

Empowerers **Book Study** **Lois' Office (Basement)**
Seeds of Heaven
Barbara Brown Taylor

The Seekers **Book Study** **Room 208**
Living More with Less
Doris Janzen Longacre

Uniform Bible Study Series **Gathering Room**
Led by Rose Moyer

Faith & Issues **Sermon Discussion** **Fellowship Hall**

Men's Group **Book Study** **Library**
Better Dads, Stronger Sons
Led by Doug Everingham

Mission Statement*

We are called to be followers of Christ
seeking God's will through the Holy Spirit
sharing the good news of love, peace,
healing, and hope
through worship, fellowship, and service
in our community, our city, and beyond.



**Foundational Scripture passages: Micah 6:8; Matthew 5-7; Mark 12:29-31; John 3:16; John 13:34-35; John 20:31; Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 3:11; 1 Peter 4:7-11; 1 John 4:16.*

We welcome all persons without regard to their race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, social status, education, ability, or any other factor subject to discrimination and exclusion in our world. *"There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28)*

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