

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

Transfiguration Sunday

February 7, 2016

9:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

Worship
Fellowship
Sunday School

Prelude

Mit Freuden Zart
Galen Shriner, keyboard

arr. Ashdown

Introit

Come and See
Chancel Choir

Hamm

*Call to Worship

Melanie Mitchell

Leader: The Lord our God is a holy God.

People: Let us be holy, for the Lord our God is holy.

Leader: The Lord our God is a just God.

People: Let us be just, for the Lord our God is just.

Leader: The Lord our God is a righteous God.

People: Let us be righteous, for the Lord our God is righteous.

Leader: The Lord our God is a jealous God.

People: Let us worship the Lord our God, for there is no God but the Lord!

*Prayer

*Hymn

We would extol thee

HWB 74

Psalm 99

Leader: The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!

People: God sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

All: The Lord is great in Zion; God is exalted over all the peoples.

Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name.

All: Holy is God!

Leader: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

People: Extol the Lord our God; worship at God's footstool. Holy is God!

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 Sue Streit and Jane Tanner. **Nursery workers during worship** are Katie and Jeremy Mitchell-Koch; **during Sunday School,** Rachel Reimer Kouame. **Fellowship workers** are Sara Penner and Jane Tanner.

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.)

Our congregation's annual meeting is TODAY, after a fundraiser meal prepared by the Mission Board. Child care will be provided. After the annual meeting, the Trustees will have our new property open for a tour!

Among Our Friends and Community

Jim Juhnke went home from the Newton Medical Center on Wednesday, February 3. He is happy to be recuperating now at home!

This Wednesday, February 10 is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent – 40 days before Easter. In some traditions, Shrove Tuesday (the day before Ash Wednesday) is a time of parties, celebrations and feasting prior to the somber, disciplined days of Lent. We will observe both days, quickly, on Ash Wednesday! The deacons will provide a festive pancake supper on Wednesday that will remind us of Shrove (or Fat) Tuesday and then at 6:30 we'll move to the sanctuary for a service of Scripture, song, and the imposition of ashes to help us prepare for Lent. Activities for the children will carry on as usual.

LAMP KICK-OFF! Don't forget to bring items for the LAMP to be donated to newly arrived immigrants through the International Rescue Committee. Take action for "the least of these"! You may also make a **monetary donation** to the LAMP. **AND we need more bodies** to help make monthly deliveries of kits to the IRC (located at Harry/Oliver)! A large vehicle is helpful as we're delivering from 10-15 tall trash cans with brooms and items inside. Please contact Pastor Lois or any member of the LAMB if you can help!

Life Enrichment program at Bethel College in North Newton will cover a wide range of topics on Wednesday, February 10: *Personal Medical Access-Theory vs. Fact*; *Sedgwick County Zoo*; and *The Economic Impact of Illegal Drugs on Newton and the Surrounding Area*. The sessions begin at 9:30 and run until 12:00. This is the 41st year of the program which is especially for adults, 60 years and older. These programs are informative and entertaining – and all for \$2/Wednesday (or \$20 for the entire Spring Schedule). Brochure is on the bulletin board in the south lobby.

Film Preview and Musical Reception: *Groundswell Rising: Protecting Our Children's Air and Water*, Saturday, February 20, 3:00, here, with Renard Cohen, co-produce/director, who has been producing award winning television for over twenty years. *Groundswell Rising* is a fracking documentary that gives voice to ordinary folks engaged in a David vs. Goliath struggle against Big Oil and Gas. These individuals from all walks of life decry the energy extraction process known as fracking that puts profits over people. Clips from the film will be shown and Mr. Cohen, who is also an accomplished singer/songwriter, will perform along with other musicians. Light refreshments provided. This film is part of the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) Film Series. KIPCOR is an affiliate of Bethel College and will host a full screening of *Groundswell Rising* on the Bethel College campus (Luyken Fine Arts Center) on Sunday, February 21 at 3 p.m.

You're Invited to join the MCC Central States Board and Staff at our annual Community Engagement Event on Saturday, Feb. 27. Our event this year will be held in the chapel at Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kan. from 8:30-10:45am focusing on Mass Incarceration. We will have a variety of speakers share with the group and time for questions and answers. Please call our office to let us know if you'll be attending at 316.283.2720. All our welcome to attend this informative event with opportunity to engage with MCC board and staff!

Please join us for Offender/Victim Ministries' Annual Dinner and Meeting on Thursday, February 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the d'Veers Family Center, 227 N. Main, in Elbing. Traditional German Buffet Dinner is \$15 per person and can be paid at the door. RSVP to 316-283-2038 or email ovm.ks@sbcglobal.net by Thursday, February 18.

Happening at Bethel College: Sunday, February 14 – *Christopher Shaw organ recital*, “Love, Lent and Lament,” 3 p.m., Administration Building chapel. Thursday, February 18 – *Artist reception for Stan Reimer* and “50 Years of Photography,” 6-8 p.m. outside the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center. The exhibit is up through February 19; regular gallery hours 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays, 2-4 p.m. Sundays.

If you would like to volunteer at the Lord’s Diner, you must attend a food handler’s class. The next one is at Pleasantview Baptist Church, 1335 N. Buckner in Derby, Saturday, February 13, 9:30 a.m.

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:

Pray for God's joy and blessing for Weldon Martens as he is installed today as pastor at Grace Hill Mennonite Church.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Bill and Carol Frisbie facilitate seminars that equip Christian leaders in Central and West African countries. Pray for health, strength, and wisdom for the Frisbies and the African church leaders as they share the good news of Jesus’ salvation through word and deed.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Pray for those offering education and challenge in the face of racism and slander in the media. Particularly uphold the work of Thohahente (Mohawk) and the Coalition against Racism in Mainstream Media in tracking the comments sections of online news sources, which can be offensive, toxic, and spiritually harmful. Pray for their health and wellbeing as they challenge the myths and structural oppressions perpetuated in and through many online media sources.

Prayers from Sabeel:

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon stated that what is ultimately driving the ongoing wave of violent resistance and attacks is frustration and despair caused by the prolonged, almost half a century long Israeli occupation. While still denouncing violence and the loss of innocent lives, Ki-moon recognized that oppressed people will resist their oppressors, and so to stop the violence Israel must first stop oppressing and end the occupation. **Lord God, we renounce all forms of violence, and mourn the loss of lives of individuals on both sides. Please open the eyes of those in power so that they may see a way forward which leads to an end of the occupation. Lord, in your mercy...**

Visitors from last Sunday:

Judy Mitzner, Wichita; Roxann, Ava, and Brooklyn, Wichita.

This Week at Church

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.
	Wednesday Evening Activities (see below)	
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies	5:00 p.m.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.
Saturday	Board of Christian Education meeting	11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Activity Schedule

(Supper is \$4.00 per person or \$15 per family)

5:30-6:00	Shining Lights Choir Rehearsal (children)	Sanctuary
5:45 – 6:30	Festive Pancake Supper	Fellowship Hall
6:30 – 7:30	Children’s Activities	Classrooms/Playground
6:30 – 7:15	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
7:15	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Nursery care for preschool children is provided

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 and Ann Fetters

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)

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 Stewardship of Health Fellowship Hall
Led by Myra Swartz and Jonas Lichty

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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Mon. & Wed. 9:30-5:00

Tues. & Fri. 9:30-12:30

Thursday is Lois' day off

On temporary leave

Tues. 9:30-1:30, Fri. 11:00-1:00

Weds. 1:30-5:30, Thurs. 2:30-4:30

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