

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 Janet and Roger Kaufman. **Nursery workers during worship** are Alison and Guy Wenzel; **during Sunday School**, Melanie Mitchell. **Fellowship workers** are Anne and Kerm Daum.

Following the worship service, you are all invited downstairs to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and casual conversation until the bell rings for Sunday School to begin.

Among our friends:

Chuck Graber writes: To all my family and friends who have supported me through this surgery and recovery, Thank you all so much for your prayers and concerns! I am now home and mostly getting back to normal.

Thank you to all our church friends for the many cards, calls and sympathy wishes after the death of Bob's mother, Susie Schmidt. We appreciate your kindness – **Bob and Sylvia Schmidt and family**.

Thanks to a (anonymous) generous donation the 633 house is outfitted with a brand new refrigerator. Bereket is grateful!

AND, many thanks for the items received for the LAMP back in April when we celebrated its birthday, including the \$520 in financial donations to LAMP. That is very good news! Thank you all for your continued support of the immigrants of IRC through this program.

We Need Your Contributions to Pay Off the 633 House Loan in 2016! Thank you to the contributors who have given to this above-

budget project already! Total interest if paid off over the full 10 years = \$39,008 If paid monthly in 2016 with a final payment in December = \$6,024 If paid with monthly early payments of \$6,825 = \$3,674. See the May Messenger for more details.

Our Congregational Meeting is TODAY!, The meeting will begin about 12:30 after a potluck lunch. There is much to discuss and discern so please plan to attend! (Child care will be provided.) **One of the items to be discussed is the A/C status. Here's an update from Roger Kaufman of the Trustees:** The start-up of our church air conditioning system this summer encountered a problem. Sometime over the winter, a fitting on the compressor in the boiler room came loose and let the refrigerant gas escape from the system. Our A/C maintenance vendor re-sealed the fitting and added measures to make sure it will not come loose again. They checked the integrity of the sealed system by evacuating it and making sure it could hold the vacuum for several days. This test was successful, proving there are no other leaks in the system. New refrigerant was then added back into the system, and now all zones are cooling nicely. The cost of the added refrigerant was approx. \$7,000.00. How to cover this cost under our current budget was discussed at last month's Church Council meeting, and a consensus to pay for it by reducing spending on another line item was agreed upon. The Trustees and the Treasurer will be available in today's congregational meeting to answer questions.

Wichita Shakespeare Company (including Peter Emery, actor and Jane Tanner, costumes) presents: *A Midsummer Night's Dream*: Shakespeare in the Park. Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. June 10,11, 12, June 17, 18, 19 and June 24, 25, 26. Check website for park/performance locations.

You are invited to an event celebrating the stories of refugees in Wichita and those who have welcomed them. This will be at *Shift Space Gallery*, 416 S. Commerce #102, on **World Refugee Day, June 20, 3:30-8pm**. You'll enjoy live music, food trucks, a narrative photography exhibit, and an interactive community art piece AND support the work of International Rescue Committee her in Wichita!

Share an Iftar meal during Ramadan! On Friday evening, July 1 several of our Muslim friends from the Student Association for Interfaith Dialogue (SAID) at WSU have offered to provide a delicious, Mediterranean meal and serve us in our Fellowship Hall so that we can share with them the tradition of breaking their daily Ramadan fast. Arrive at 8:30 p.m. for a brief explanation/presentation

about Ramadan. The meal will be served at 8:55 p.m. – sundown. Sign-up sheets are in both lobbies so we know how many to prepare for.

VBS 2016 is coming up! Dates are June 20-24, 9:00a - 12:00p at Hope Mennonite Church, 868 N. Maize Rd. Register your child/ren at <http://hopemennonite.org/vbs-2016/>. **Want to help by donating items?** A box will be placed in the north lobby for your clean tin cans and disposable aluminum pans for VBS arts & crafts. We also need 40 apples and 5 cartons of caramel dip for snack time. Please contact Bev Baumgartner or Beth Lichty with questions. Thank you for your prayers as we prepare for this meaningful and fun time together.

Song on the Lawn, *this evening*, 5-8 p.m., at WillowSpring Downs – a mini-musical festival featuring the Book of JEBB, Cottonwood River Band, Newton Men’s Quartet, Senior Jammers, and Elaine Unruh/Emil Schmidt and Friends. Keith Banman will cater the meal. Bring your lawn chairs, table service, friends and family. Admission is free but donations will be gladly accepted for MCC. (In case of rain, this event will be at 5 Goessel Elementary School. Call 620-386-0709 or 620-367-8432 for updates.) (See previous announcement for directions.) Directions to WillowSpring Downs: From Goessel: 3 miles north on Hwy K-15, 4 miles east on 150th, $\frac{3}{4}$ north on Falcon. From Hillsboro: 4 miles south on Indigo, 3 miles west on 150th, $\frac{3}{4}$ north on Falcon.

NEEDED! Delegates from Lorraine Avenue to attend the Western District Conference Annual Assembly. Friday, July 29 – evening worship and fellowship. Saturday, July 30 – morning delegate sessions, afternoon workshops, evening music festival. See more info on the south bulletin board. Speak to Tom or Lois if you’re interested.

Everence Financial will present an informative webinar, *Tools to maximize your charitable giving*, on Tuesday, June 21, at 12 noon and 7 p.m. (CDT). Charitable Services Representative, Mitch Stutzman, will discuss tools to help you support your favorite causes, maximize giving through special assets and receive personal income while supporting the causes you believe in. There will also be time for your questions. To participate, contact Sandy Popp at (620) 662-7900, (877) 893-8647 or sandy.popp@everence.com. Or visit everence.com/kansas.

Prayer Request from *Sabeel*: This week Palestinians commemorate the 1967 War marking Israel’s invasion and control of East Jerusalem, Gaza, the Golan Heights and the West Bank. For many Jewish Israelis, this week includes celebrations for Jerusalem Day, which marks the “unification of Jerusalem” in violation of International Law.

Lord, we remember in prayer all those who became refugees during this Naksa, or “setback,” and those who continue to suffer under forty-nine years of illegal Israeli occupation. Our prayers and actions remain for a just resolution based on the 1967 borders, which has long been the basis for negotiations to ensure peace for everyone in this land. Lord in your mercy...

Prayer Request from Aposento Alto: Pray for the congregation and their support committee as they continue their search for a new pastor.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference: Give thanks for Derek King, whose ordination service will be at 3:00 this afternoon, at Eden Mennonite Church, rural Moundridge.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network: Today, Linda Oyer leads a “walking church” in a 142-acre park near Paris, France. Pray for this tradition that makes it easy for people to invite their neighbors who would not easily enter a church. This year’s theme is “The Symbolism of Water in the Bible.”

Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency: This is a busy month for sports and activity camps at Bethel College in North Newton. Pray for the health and safety of campers of all ages, along with Bethel staff, coaches, students and volunteers, serving as camp staff.

Prayer for Peacemakers: Give thanks for all who came together as part of River Run 2016 to call for the clean-up of decades of mercury pollution in Wabigoon River.

Visitors from last Sunday:

Morgan and Abram Aronis, Aubrey McGettrick, Wichita; Sam and Luanna Schrag, Pretty Prairie, KS

This Week at Church

Monday	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room	6:00 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Tuesday	Church Council meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room	12:00 p.m.
	Serendipity	1:00 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
	<i>knitting4peace</i> – Gathering Room	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. **B4**
Teacher: Catherine Everingham and Ann Fetters

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

Adult Sunday School Classes

Empowerers **Book Study** **Lois' Office (Basement)**
Between the World and Me
Ta-Nehisi Coates

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

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

Faith and Issues **What's happening in LAMB?** **Sanctuary**
Mission Board members

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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