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I Kings 19:12b

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

Sunday

August 13, 2017

9:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Worship
Fellowship

*"...and after the fire a sound of sheer silence."
I Kings 19:12b*

Prelude Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now arr. Burkhardt
Linda Buller, organ

*Call to Worship SJ 177 Melanie Mitchell

*Hymn God of the Bible SJ 27
(vs 1,2,3)

Psalm 85:8-13

*Leader: Let me hear what God will speak, for God will speak
peace to the people,*

**People: to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their
hearts.**

*Leader: Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who fear
him, that God's glory may dwell in our land.*

**People: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.**

*Leader: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and
righteousness will look down from the sky.*

**People: The Lord will give what is good, and our land will
yield its increase.**

*All: Righteousness will go before God, and will make a
path for God's steps.*

Hymn Sing praise to God who reigns HWB 59
We invite the children to come forward on the last verse!

Time for Children Marla Kauffman

Bringing Our First Fruits Offerings

Offertory Andante Religioso Mendelssohn
Prayer of Dedication

Among our friends...

Don't forget LAMC's **Deacons Member Assistance Fund!** Money from this fund is used to help one another in the congregation when there are unexpected medical (or other) expenses. Typically, the pastors and deacons double the money in this fund when they write matching grants to Everence. Thank you for your generosity!

In our community, our city, and beyond...

This morning during the Sunday School hour, Kathy Wiens will speak on the Safe Sanctuary program. Safe Sanctuaries training helps congregations understand the prevalence of childhood sexual abuse and why the church is at risk. Information is provided on ways to protect children as well as how to develop a safety policy. Kathy leads many such workshops in the area and is passionate about keeping our churches safe for both children and adults. She has graduate degrees in education and counseling.

Please mark your calendars to attend the **council/congregational retreat on Sunday, August 27th, during Sunday School and continuing after a potluck lunch, ending around 1:30 pm!** We will open the retreat with a brief business session to discuss a proposal to add a .5FTE youth minister position and continue with guided visioning using an adaptation of the Future Church Summit from MCUSA Convention. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Childcare will be provided.

Rev. Dr. William J Barber II will be in Topeka Monday, August 21. (Posters are on the entrances.) This event marks the beginning of ***The NEW Poor People's Campaign: a national call for a moral revival!*** Barber is a powerful speaker – you may find videos of his talks on YouTube. For more information or to arrange ride-sharing, check with Pastor Lois or Barbara Gingrich. (Those of you returning from the “Zone of Totality” – this is right on your way home!)

Wednesday night suppers are returning, beginning September 6 and running through October 25! The “season” is 8 weeks instead of the usual 12 weeks, so don't delay! Get your house church together to plan, prepare and serve a meal – your family, your friends. We look forward to eating together – and, if you have been the “chef,” you KNOW how much fun cooking together can be! There will be a sign-up sheet on the table outside the office window. Looking forward to dining with you in the fall.

Beyond Tolerance continues! Another opportunity to worship with the Greater Faith Christian Church is coming up *next Sunday*, August 20 at 10:00 a.m.! Sign-up sheet for 50 people is in the south lobby (on the “sofa table”) since seating capacity at GFCC is limited. There will be worship at 9:30, as usual, here at Lorraine Avenue that morning. The way for us to learn to know one another is... to learn to know one another! We will continue to worship together as well as eat and fellowship together, play and pray together. Let us reach “beyond tolerance” towards genuine friendship and camaraderie.

The *August Global Learning Center Event* is Sunday, the 20th, at 6:00, at Olive Tree Banquet Hall, 2949 N Rock Rd; the presentation begins at 7:00. **Michael Barton will speak on “Understanding Islam.”** Michael was born and raised in Wichita Kansas. He graduated from South High School and earned his Bachelor's in Modern & Classical Languages along with his Master's in Educational Leadership from Wichita State University. He accepted Islam in October of 2006 at the Islamic Society of Wichita and has studied the religion ever since. He has worked in Education for 11 years teaching at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School, East High School, and Butler County Community College. He is currently the principal of Annoor Islamic School. Michael will share his story of what led him to Islam, and what it is about the faith that keeps him in it. There will also be time for questions and discussion. Dinner: Members \$12, Non-Members \$14, Students \$10, or listen for free. RSVP to glc.wichita@gmail.com or (316)209-5725.

Registration now open: Sat., Nov. 18, 4th biennial Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College, “Seasons of the Soul: Enacting the Mystery of Faith,” with special guest presenter and resource person Ted Swartz. Symposium registration includes Swartz’s performance of “Slightly Left of Normal,” Fri., Nov. 17, in Krehbiel Auditorium (admission charge for non-symposium registrants). Registration discount for groups of 3 or more from a single congregation – for a complete schedule and online registration, see bethelks.edu/worshiparts.

Sunday School classes will begin again for children and adults August 20. Below is a list of adult classes we will be offering this fall, where each class meets and what each will be studying:

Empowerers

meets in Lois' office in the basement,
book study, led by members of the class
*Radical Hope, letters of love and dissent
in dangerous times, edited by Carolina de Robertis*

Uniform Bible Study Series

meets in the Gathering Room in the basement
led by Rose Moyer & will begin *August 27*
on Acts 10:19-33

Men's Study (Women also welcome!)

meets in the Library
Christianity as seen through the eyes of Leo Tolstoy
led by Doug Everingham

***NEW!!!* Young Adult Class**

meets in the Choir Room
TED Talks and discussion
facilitated by Ruth Tieszen
will start Sunday, September 10

Faith and Issues

(usually) meets in Fellowship Hall
August 20 - Sermon Discussion
August 27 - No Sunday School
in lieu of the All Church Retreat
September 3 - TED Talk and discussion
(kick-off for the new Young Adult Class)
"The Danger of a Single Story"
by Chimamanda Adichie from Nigeria
September 10 – October 1
Doctrine of Discovery
Led by MCC Staff

Michelle Armster, Karin Kaufman Wall, Erica Littlewolf

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Pray for Lynn Schlosser as she is installed today as pastor at Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church, a WDC congregation near Inman, KS.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

DOOR’s yearlong Dwell Program participants are concluding their year of service, learning and reflection. Pray for them as they transition to what God is calling them to next in their lives.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Disaster Service:

Please pray for the folks in New Orleans who experienced flooding late last week. The city and the surrounding area were hit by torrential rain that caused flooding in parts of the city. The water issues were magnified by the fact that eight of the city’s major pumps were broken, which left standing water in parts of Mid-City and Lakeview. The storm dumped more than 9 inches of rain in the area in three hours.

This Week at Church

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| Monday | Centering Prayer | 4:45 p.m. |
| | Yoga | 5:30 p.m. |
| | Wellness Group | 6:45 p.m. |
| | Shakespeare Rehearsal – Gathering Room | 7:30 p.m. |
| Tuesday | Church Council | 7:00 p.m. |
| | Shakespeare Rehearsal – Gathering Room | 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Yoga | 4:45 p.m. |
| | Shakespeare Rehearsal – Gathering Room | 7:30 p.m. |
| Thursday | Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room | 12:00 p.m. |
| | Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall | 5:45 p.m. |
| | Shakespeare Rehearsal – Gathering Room | 7:30 p.m. |
| Friday | Yoga | 12:00 p.m. |

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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Pastor Tom Harder

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Monday is the pastors' day off

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