

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

Sunday

September 11, 2016

9:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m.

Worship
Fellowship
Sunday School

*For my people are foolish, they do not know me;
they are stupid children, they have no understanding.
They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.
Jeremiah 4:22*

Prelude

Largo
Linda Buller, organ

Handel

Introit

Come, let us all unite and sing
Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

Barbara Gingrich

*Leader: O God, we come seeking you in our worship together.
We come to you for truth*

People: because we are untrue.

Leader: We come to you for strength

People: because we are weak.

Leader: We come to you for wisdom

People: because we are unwise.

*All: Move in our midst;
show us your truth, your strength, and your wisdom,
through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

*Hymn

Come and be light for our eyes

SJ 5

Psalm 14

PB 430

Hymn

Open, Lord, my inward ear

HWB 140

Bringing Our First Fruits Offerings

Offertory Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Prayer of Dedication

arr. Held

Time for Children

Anthem

I Dream a World
Chancel Choir

Andre Thomas

I dream a world where man
No other man will scorn,
Where love will bless the earth
And peace its paths adorn
I dream a world where all
Will know sweet freedom's way,
Where greed no longer saps the soul
Nor avarice blights our day.
A world I dream where black or white,
Whatever race you be,
Will share the bounties of the earth
And every man is free,
Where wretchedness will hang its head
And joy, like a pearl,
Attends the needs of all mankind-
Of such I dream, my world!

-Langston Hughes

The Lesson

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Sermon

Hot Wind and Fierce Anger

Tom Harder

*Hymn

God, whose purpose is to kindle

HWB 135

Work of the Church

Welcome and Introductions
Announcements and Activities
Joys and Concerns
Prayer

*Hymn

God of grace and God of glory

HWB 366

*Benediction

Postlude

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

arr. Fedak

*Congregation stands

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

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 Linda Doll and LuVerna Doerksen. **Nursery workers during worship** are Grayce and Reid Kaufmann and Anna Harder; **during Sunday School**, Natasha Buller. **Fellowship workers** are Dwayne and Sandy Schrag.

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

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

There are still plenty of Wednesdays left to sign up to cook supper for 70 of your closest friends here at Lorraine Avenue! The sign-up sheet is in the south lobby outside the secretary's office. We look forward to sharing a meal with you on Wednesday evenings!

This week's "**Life Enrichment**" at **Bethel College** offers *Texas cattle trails, human trafficking, and a new look at teaching teachers*. The sessions begin at 9:30 in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center and the registration cost is \$2 per week or \$20 per semester. (Brochures are on the south lobby bulletin board.)

The annual MCC Flatlander Bike Ride NEXT Saturday, September 17, starts at the MCC offices, 121 E. 30th, North Newton. This year's ride will raise funds for an MCC water development project in Mozambique. Rides of about 35, 45, and 65 miles, as well as a shorter family ride, are planned. Brochures on south lobby bulletin board. Website: mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride.

M2 Prison Visitation Volunteer Opportunity

Jesus calls us to visit the prisoner! At Hutchinson Correctional Facility there are over 80 prisoners who are waiting for a visit. Through Offender/Victim Ministries' M-2 Program, you have the opportunity to visit an inmate one evening a month. New Volunteer training for M-2 will be on *Monday, Sept. 19 at 12:00pm at Hutchinson Correctional Facility or Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6:30pm at Hesston College, Kropf Center, room 160*. Please contact Ben Kreider at ben@offendervictimministries.org or (316) 281 5244 for more information.

Visitors from last Sunday:

John Harder, Windsor, ON; Lance, Sharlena, Courtney, Dakota and Brooke Nofsinger, Washington, IL; Miki Matsuda, Wichita; Denise Risser, Deanna Risser, Penny Yarman, Goshen, IN; Chani Wiens, Kingsville, ON; Miles Crawford, Wichita; Brad and LaDonna Miller, Hypoluxo, FL; Dave Polley and Janis Miller, Dexter, MI; Dave and Pat Andrew, Tyler, TX; Debbie and Mark Miller, Arvada, CO; Jim and Bonnie Nofsinger, Washington, IL; Rodney, Edie and Michael Landis, Telford, PA; Steve and Vicky Hill, Broken Arrow, OK; Leah Harder and Johnny Wideman, Stouffville, ON.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Give thanks for participants and leaders who have gathered this weekend for the WDC Women and Girls retreat at Camp Mennoscah.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Pray that a newly arrived mission family in Turkey will be able to make friends despite the unsettled political climate in the country.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:

Pray for Bethel College students who are adjusting to a new community. For many, this includes finding a new church home – pray also for the local congregations who will welcome them.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Give thanks for the people currently undergoing training for Christian Peacemaker Teams in Europe. Pray for their endurance, good humor, energy and attentiveness. Pray that harmonious relationships and strength for the work to come arise from this month.

Prayer Request from *Sabeel*:

Muslim Palestinians, with millions of Muslim worshipers from around the world, are on their way to Saudi Arabia to perform the

annual Muslim pilgrimage of Hajj preparing for Eid al- Adha, the most important holiday in the Muslim calendar.

Lord Jesus, with those who build bridges of interfaith understanding, we pray for our Muslim brothers and sisters that they may celebrate Eid al-Adha next week in peace. We also pray for the safety of those who make this pilgrimage of prayer and devotion. Lord in your mercy...(hear our prayer).

The number of Palestinians being wounded by live fire from the Israeli occupation forces is on the rise. Reporters and analysts are questioning whether the Israeli army is conducting a kneecapping campaign which cripples young Palestinians and strengthens Israel's military grip on the West Bank.

Lord, we pray for the safety of our people who have been demoted into simple target stands. We also pray for courage among Israeli soldiers to question commands. Empower us, God, to make the occupation crumble so that we may all live in safety and peace. Lord in your mercy...

Pope Francis has chosen non-violence as the only effective response to world crises in his annual message for the World Day of Peace.

Lord, you taught us to always respond to injustice and never abandon the poor and the oppressed. We know Lord, as your followers, that we are called to stand firm and face the powers without picking up the sword. Keep reminding us Lord, through your servants, by words and deeds, to renounce violence and be present on the frontlines defending the oppressed. Lord in your mercy...

Engineering students, Jamal Al Miqaty and Khalid Al Bardawil, at al-Azhar University in Gaza, designed a solar-powered car. Mr. Bardawil said, "We decided to depend on the power that God gave us, which is an alternative, renewable, and clean energy, so we created a solar vehicle."

Lord, your sun shines on your world inclusively and without any prejudice. We give you thanks that your sky remains open sending rain and sunlight, unlike the gates of Gaza which continue to be tightly controlled and often closed. Lord in your mercy...

In an interview with a TV channel, a prominent Palestinian official referred to Palestinian Christians in a disrespectful way. The footage from the interview went viral on social media with both Christians and Muslims expressing outrage. As one nation, we are saddened by the remarks of the Palestinian official, yet we are reassured by the beauty of the mosaic of our society.

Lord, we thank you for our pluralistic society and all its members. We give thanks to the thousands of our Muslim brothers and sisters, all Palestinian political factions and the wide spectrum of Palestinian civil society who prophetically criticized the racist

remarks. Continue Lord to bless lord our people with tolerance and love. Lord in your mercy...We pray alongside the World Council of Churches for the countries of Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia.

This Week at Church

Monday	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Tuesday	Deacons meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	Music Committee - Library	6:30 p.m.
	Wednesday Evening Activities (see below)	
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	12:00 p.m.
	Serendipity	1:00 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room	5:00 p.m.
	NAMI class – B-3, B-4	7:00 p.m.
	Seasons of Loss – Gathering Room	7:00 p.m.
	<i>knitting4peace</i> – Lois’ office	7:00 p.m.
Friday	NAMI Faith Net – Gathering Room	10:00 a.m.
	Yoga	12:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Activity Schedule

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

5:45 – 6:30	Supper	Fellowship Hall
6:30 – 7:30	Children’s Activities	Classrooms/Playground
6:30 – 7:15	Bible Study	Gathering Room
7:15	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	<i>Nursery care for preschool children is provided</i>	

Elementary and Youth Sunday School Classes

Early Childhood (3- 4 year olds) Shine! Curriculum Room 206
Teachers: Ellen Ebersole and Ruth Wiens

Kindergarten - First Grade Shine! Room 201
Teachers: Kelly Cleary and Grayce Kaufmann

Second - Fourth Grades Shine! Room 202
Teachers: Allison Wenzel and Julie Dunkelberger

Fifth - Tenth Grades Shine! – L.E.D. B4
Teacher: Beverly Baumgartner, Nadine Reimer-Penner

Fifth - Tenth Grades B5
Faith Formation through Games
Teachers: Jill Robinson and Judy Ebersole

Adult Sunday School Classes

Empowerers **Book Study** **Lois' Office (Basement)**
Learning to Fall – by Philip Simmons

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

Men's Group **Book Study** **Library**
God's Politics – by Jim Wallis
Led by Doug Everingham

Faith and Issues **The New Jim Crow** **Fellowship Hall**
Led by Willard Ebersole and Karl Swartz

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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Monday is the pastors' day off

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