



## Bringing Our First Fruits Offerings

Offertory Prayer of Dedication	Song of Hope	C. Rollin
Time for Children		
Anthem	Set Me As a Seal	Clausen
The Epistle		I Timothy 6:6-19
The Lesson		Luke 16:19-31
Sermon	Crossing the Chasms	Lois Harder
*Hymn	If all you want, Lord	HWB 512
Work of the Church		Lois Harder
Welcome and Introductions Announcements and Activities Joys and Concerns Prayer		
*Hymn	You are salt for the earth	HWB 226
*Benediction		
Postlude	Postlude in F	Handel

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 Catherine, Hassan, and Zahir Everingham** and Sara Penner. **Nursery workers during worship** are Jeremy and Katie Mitchell-Koch; **during Sunday School**, Katie Mitchell-Koch. **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.) You may have your **blood pressure checked** in Room B-3 in the basement.

### **Among our friends**

**Lena Grace Balton** was born Thursday morning, September 22, to Betty and Bryce and big brother, Jackson. Congratulations and God's blessings to the family.

**Our love and prayers are with Jesse and Susan Huxman and their family** as they grieve the passing and celebrate the life of Jesse's mother, Florence Huxman. She died on September 18 and services were Thursday, September 22 at First Mennonite Church, Pretty Prairie.

**Tom Harder** will return this evening from Harrisonburg, VA where he has been meeting with the new hymnal committee since Thursday. He will meet with this committee several times a year for the next three years as they compile a new denominational hymnal. Tom is one of twelve committee members.

**Jim Juhnke's new book, "A People of Two Kingdoms II, Stories of Kansas Mennonites in Politics" has been published** by Bethel College in the C. H. Wedel historical series. Included are the stories of Don Klaassen's campaign in 1996 for the U.S. Senate in 1996, Judy Loganbill's service in the Kansas House of Representatives 2001-2013; Eric Yost's campaign for the U.S. House in 1990 and 1992; and Jim Juhnke's campaign for the U.S. House in 1970. Jim will speak about this book in the Faith and Issues class on October 9.

**Lisa Turner is scheduled for surgery** in early October. Since she does not have health insurance, a "go-fund-me" page has been established on Facebook to help cover medical bills. Lisa (and Greg) would be very appreciative of any contributions made through this avenue.

**CROP WALK** is next Sunday, October 2, 2:00 P.M. at Sedgwick County Park. Last chance to sign up or sponsor someone. Visit CB at the sign-up table during Fellowship time.

**TODAY, 2-4 p.m., at Bethel College, Kauffman Museum:** free admission, steel-drum music, “The Big Apple” food truck, Salted Creamery ice cream and a Bethel College student exhibit celebrating the Sept. 24 grand opening of the Smithsonian’s National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C.

There is no “**Life Enrichment**” at Bethel College this week.

**The Global Learning Center program on *Eco Justice and Climate Change*** is this evening at Olive Tree Banquet Hall, 2949 N Rock Rd. The presenter is Margi Ault-Duell, Social Action Coordinator at First Unitarian Universalist Church. She has a long history of social activism and social justice work in Central America and the US. The program is free and begins at 7:00.

Make room in your busy schedule for Bethel Fall Fest in North Newton, KS, Saturday, October 1, 2016. **SMCHA will again be sponsoring the Schweitzer Dialect Program** from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Fine Arts Center in Krebbiel Auditorium. Local individuals will be giving the program in the Schweitzer dialect. The program is free and open to the public.

**There will be a celebration for Lawrence and Betty Hart** in Clinton, OK on Saturday evening, October 8. Hart is a Cheyenne Mennonite Peace Chief who has pastored the Koinonia Mennonite Church near Clinton, OK for 48 years. He and Betty will be honored at a banquet and ceremony, celebrating his 5 decades of ministry and leadership. Cost for the banquet is \$20. Registration can be done online at <https://www.regonline.com/HartDinner>.

**Visitor from last Sunday:**  
John Harder, Windsor, ONT

**Prayer Request from Western District Conference:**  
Pray for WDC pastor peer groups who meet regularly for sharing, counsel, encouragement and prayer together.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:**  
*Seminario Biblico Menonita de Columbia* is experience transition. Pray for the seminary personnel as they move ahead with ministry within Colombia as well as in neighboring countries.

### **Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:**

Pray for Adam Fontana, new director of instrumental music at Bethel College, as he leads the Wind Ensemble in concert this afternoon for the first time.

### **Prayer for Peacemakers:**

Give thanks for the Muslim villagers of Dipre and the Christian villagers of Kashkawa in Iraqi Kurdistan who have supported each other over the years during Turkish cross-border bombings. Dipre was most affected in the most recent round of bombings, and the Kashkawa villagers gave the villagers of Dipre the keys to their homes, so they could find refuge more easily.

### **Prayer Request from Sabeel:**

Hebron, the largest city in the West Bank has been officially awarded the title of World Crafts City. This is the first time a Palestinian city has been granted the title by the World Crafts Council. Hebron is famous for its wide variety of industrial and ornamental products, including porcelain, pottery, glass, olive wood and leather. *Lord, we give thanks for the people of Hebron who despite all odds continue to prevail. We pray for the workers who are humiliated every day at Israeli military checkpoints on their way to earn their daily bread. We also remember the shop keepers whose shops have been sealed by the army and who are unable to earn a living. Lord in your mercy...*

Violence continues in the occupied Palestinian territory: A six-year-old Palestinian girl, Lama Mousa, was run over and killed by an Israeli settler last Saturday evening in the village of al-Khader. Fares Khadour while driving a car with a female passenger was shot by Israeli forces resulting in his death and injuring the female passenger. The shooting came after he allegedly rammed the car in a bus stop Israeli forces shot dead Mohamed al-Sarrahin during a military raid in the village of Beit Ula, in the southern occupied West Bank district of Hebron. Sayid Amro was shot at Damascus Gate – entrance to East Jerusalem's Old City. Israeli police said Sayid, who was carrying a Jordanian ID, attempted to stab Israeli soldiers with a knife. 25-year-old Hatem al-Shaloudi, a resident of Tel Rumeida on the outskirts of Hebron was shot dead by the Israeli army after an alleged knife attack. Seventeen year old Amir and twenty one year old Mohanad Al Rajabi, accused of attempting to stab Israeli border police in the West Bank, have been shot and killed on Monday near the Ibrahim Mosque in Hebron. Sixteen year old Issa Tarairah, was shot and killed by the Israeli army Tuesday near Hebron after allegations of an attempted knife attack. *God, we pray for an end to*

*this situation of violence and counter-violence between Palestine and Israel. Inspire the people of the world to be real peacemakers, in spite of all the hatred, enmity and violence around them. Let them stand for justice where injustice holds dominion, for hope where despair reigns, and for love where apathy keeps people silent. Lord in your mercy...*

## This Week at Church

Monday	Centering Prayer – Gathering Room	4:15 p.m.
	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	<b>Wednesday Evening Activities (see below)</b>	
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	12:00 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.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.

## Wednesday Evening Activity Schedule

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

5:30 – 6:00	Shining Lights Children’s Choir	Sanctuary
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

*Nursery care for preschool children is provided*

## Elementary and Youth Sunday School Classes

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

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

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

**Fifth – Eighth Grades Shine! Curriculum & Games B4**  
Teachers: Beverly Baumgartner, Nadine Reimer-Penner, Joel Ewy

**Eighth-Twelfth Grades Book Studies Room 208**  
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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Pastor Lois Harder  
Pastor Tom Harder

### Office Hours

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Monday is the pastors' day off

Admin. Asst., Barbara Gingrich Tues. 9:30-1:30, Fri. 11:00-1:00

Admin. Asst., Linda Gebert Weds. 2:30 – 5:30, Thurs. 2:00 – 4:00

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