

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

World Communion Sunday

9:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

October 1, 2017

Worship

Fellowship

Sunday School

*“When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests
and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching,
and said, ‘By what authority are you doing these things,
and who gave you this authority?’”*

Matthew 21:23

Prelude Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us arr. Powell
 Assurance arr. Beck
 Erica Schmidt, keyboard

Introit From All That Dwell Below the Skies Watts/Hatton
 Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship Gerry Lichti

*Leader: Welcoming God, you receive and bless all who come
to you in humility.*

**People: Show us our false pride, that we may repent of all
conceit and arrogance**

Leader: and, caring for one another, may honor Jesus

All: to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Prayer

*Hymn Jesus calls us here to meet him SJ 3

Psalm 25:1-9

Hymn To you Yahweh hymnal pocket

Bringing Our First Fruits Offerings

Offertory Prayer for Peace Demorset
Prayer of Dedication

Time for Children

The Prophetic Reading Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 (PB 685)

Sermon Owning our own stuff Lois Harder

*Hymn God, whose purpose is to kindle HWB 135

Coming to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Anthem Let thy holy presence Tschesnokoff/Hopson

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn God, who touches earth HWB 511

*Benediction

Postlude Sent Forth by God's Blessing arr. Knight

*Congregation Stands

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

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 Alison and Guy Wenzel. **Nursery workers during worship** are Grayce and Reid Kaufmann; **during Sunday school**, Alison and Guy Wenzel. (**Nursery volunteers during Sunday School** need to check in with Ellen Ebersole in the preschool room to assist her if needed. The church currently has no babies in the nursery most Sundays.) **Fellowship workers** are Joel and Ruth Tieszen.

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.)

Among Our Friends

Congratulations! Wichita State University Assistant Chemistry Professor Katie Mitchell-Koch has received two prestigious grants totaling nearly \$545,000. Both grants were awarded by the National Science Foundation (NSF). One of the research projects -- \$368,000 for "Unraveling Connections Among Biomolecular Structure, Interfacial Solvent Dynamics and Conformational Dynamics" focuses on the movement of solvent molecules around enzymes. (See WSU Pres. Bardo newsletter link with more detail in 9/27 LAMC E-News)

Many thanks to Linda Doll and Catherine Everingham who worked with Erica Stoltzfus and Chris Schmidt (formerly Chris Matthies and grew up in this congregation) of the Tabor Mennonite Church to weed and clean the yard of the 633 house. These 4 women produced multiple bags of refuse and a more beautiful yard at 633 S. Lorraine – thank you!

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church is 85 years old this year! To celebrate, Board of Christian Education is hosting a reception during Fellowship Time on Sunday, October 8. Please join us for cake in the Fellowship Hall, and stay for the Faith and Issues class where we will reflect on our history and what has inspired us. Be thinking about what you might share with the group. When you first started attending, what were the issues of the day and how was LAMC involved? How has this influenced who we are today?

Interfaith Prayers for Peace – prayers in many languages and from various traditions will bring us together as we pray for peace in our world. Come to the **University United Methodist Church** (21st St. and Yale – across the street from WSU) on **Monday, October 9**, Indigenous People’s Day (formerly called Columbus Day) from **7:00-8:30 p.m.** Prayers and music will be from 7:00-8:00 with an opportunity to fellowship over cookies and coffee from 8:00-8:30. Sponsored by People of Faith for Peace.

GFCC and LAMC Cookbook Project – Don’t forget to submit your recipe(s) along with the significant stories that accompany them! We’re collecting recipes from both congregations during September and October. Then, as the cookbook is being edited and

compiled we'll have three "Tasting Meals" at which several of the recipes will be prepared and the stories shared with one another. "Tasting Meal" dates are Wednesday, November 15 at LAMC, Wednesday, January 31 at GFCC, Wednesday, April 11 at LAMC. Refer to the salmon colored sheets in your mailbox (extras on the office table) for all the details.

Thursday, October 12, 2017, Kimberly Schmidt of Hyattsville, MD, author of *Maggie's Blanket* historical novel about two women who survived the massacres of Plains Indians, will lead a workshop on "Book Crafting and Research Methods," 3:00-5:00 at MCC Center, Newton. Cost \$20 now sent to Barb Orsi, 7217 E. Oxford St., Wichita KS 67226 or PayPal.me/barborsi or \$25 at the door. Sponsored by StoryTellers of the Great Plains. Contact Kathy Goering for more information at kjgo@mtelco.net. All are welcome.

Tonight! The NAMI Candlelight Ceremony to promote awareness of mental illness, will be held this evening at Newman University, 6:30 pm., in De Mattias Fine Arts Center. It will feature Ted Swartz, owner and creative director of Ted & Co, a professional touring theater company performing his show *Laughter is Sacred Space*, his own story of grief, loss and ultimately hope. The entire event is sponsored by several area mental health agencies and organizations. The program is free and open to the public.

At Bethel College:

Sun., Oct. 8 – Bethel College Philharmonia Orchestra concert, 3 p.m., Memorial Hall, featuring music by von Weber, Debussy and Sibelius

Sun., Oct. 8 & Mon., Oct. 9 – Menno Simons Lectures with Lutheran scholar Timothy J. Wengert on the overall theme "Remembering 500 Years of Reformation Together"; 1st lecture, "Martin Luther, the 95 Theses and the Mennonites," Sun., 7 p.m.; 2nd lecture, "What Makes Martin Luther a 'Father of the Faith'?" Mon., 11 a.m.; 3rd lecture, "What Can Christians Do When Their Leaders Err?" Mon., 7 p.m.; all in *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College*

The 2017 Kansas Abolition Conference, ***The Kansas Death Penalty: What a Waste, 2017***, is October 21, 1:00-3:30 p.m., at Church of the Brethren, 200 N Carrie St, McPherson. Three Kansas panelists will speak about the social, economic, political, and psychological costs of the death penalty. The three – Roger Werholtz, Celeste Dixon, and Carolyn McGinn – each have personal experience with and a unique

perspective to share on the death penalty. This event is *free* and *open to the public*. Pre-registration is recommended; for more information: 785-235-2237 or info@ksabolition.org. Same day registration begins at 12:30.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Give thanks and pray for WDC pastors and chaplains who offer leadership in congregations and other institutions across WDC.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder request prayers for peace in Burkina Faso. May those who have chosen terror as a means to justice encounter God's love and renounce violence.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:

Pray for students and tutor Lilian Flores at the new IBA Study Center at Evangelical Garifuna Mennonite Church in Bronx, New York. They will be starting the course Introduction to Bible Study. Pray that this course will be of blessing for the students, their congregations and their communities as these leaders learn new tools to spread God's word to expand God's kingdom.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Prayer for an end of the neighboring countries' hostilities following Kurdistan's referendum on independence and for increased solidarity with the oppressed peoples' struggles around the world.

"Iraqi government is threatening, Turkish government is threatening, Iranian government is threatening and the entire international community is threatening. What is it? I have never had so much problems with my identity, who I am and where I come from. I did not vote for the referendum because I believe that these Kurdish leaders have done nothing regarding human rights, women rights, LGBTQ rights and minority rights. They have not been able to create a democratic system that we all have wanted and lastly I do not believe in nation states." These are the words and a perspective of someone close to CPT on presumably the biggest event of this week: the Kurdistan's referendum on independence from Iraq.

Prayer Request from Sabeel:

Tuesday, September 26th, 2017, two Israeli security officers and a border policeman were killed in the Settlement of Har Adar outside Jerusalem. In the attack, the Palestinian assailant was also shot dead. *Lord, the zealots continue to challenge the injustice with swords. We are reminded that in the time of trial, You told Peter to put away his sword. May we, your followers, stand firm and face*

the powers using non-violence. We pray that the unjust Israeli military occupation, that continues to breed hatred and violence, come to an end. Lord in your mercy...

Visitors last Sunday:

Dawn Fountain, Wichita; Elizabeth Evans, Brooklyn, NY; Susan Schultz Huxman, Harrisonburg, VA; Julia Huxman Ronnebaum, Lawrence, KS

This Week at Church

Monday	GRAND PIANO MOVE!	
	Centering Prayer	4:45 p.m.
	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
	Sunnyside Assoc. – Fellowship Hall	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Wellness Committee	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	Wednesday Evening Activities (see below)	
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room	12:00 p.m.
	Lorraine Ave Mission Board – GR	5:00 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	5:45 p.m.
	NAMI – B 3&4	6:00 p.m.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Activity Schedule

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

4:45	Yoga	Upstairs
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 and Sylvia Schmidt

Kindergarten – Second Grade Shine! Curriculum Room 201
Teachers: Beth Lichty and Jill Robinson

Third - Fourth Grades Shine! Curriculum Room 202
Teachers: Alison Wenzel and Grayce Kaufmann

Fifth – Eighth Grades Shine! Curriculum Room B-4
Teachers: Nadine Reimer Penner, Julie Dunkelberger,
And Katie Mitchell-Koch

Ninth -Twelfth Grades Generation Why? Curriculum Rm 208
Teachers: Rachel Reimer-Kouame, Joel Ewy, and Jill Robinson

Adult Sunday School Classes

Empowerers Book Study Lois' Office (Basement)
*Radical Hope, letters of love and dissent
in dangerous times, edited by Carolina de Robertis*

Men's Study Jesus as seen through the eyes Library
of Leo Tolstoy
led by Doug Everingham and Alex Muñoz

Uniform Bible Study Series Gathering Room
led by Rose Moyer

Young Adult Class Choir Room
TED Talks and discussion facilitated by Ruth Tieszen

Faith and Issues Fellowship Hall
Dismantling “The Doctrine of Discovery”
Presented by MCC staff
Michelle Armster, Karen Kaufman Wall, and Erica Littlewolf

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

Admin. Asst., Barbara Gingrich Tues. 9:30-1:30, Fri. 10:00-12:00

Admin. Asst., Linda Gebert Weds. 10:30 – 2:30, Thurs. 2:00 – 4:00

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