

FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

Halstead, Kansas

May 19, 2019

Gathering Cindy Siemens

Welcome and Announcements Arnita Haury

Centering Music

Call to Worship

L: Gathered as one, welcoming each other,

P: we worship as a community of love.

L: Gathered in love, giving thanks for life,

P: we come to sing God's praises.

*Praise Songs

Come, let us all unite to Sing – HWB #12

In Christ there is no East or West – HWB #306

Who you Say I Am - Projected

Offering and Offertory Offender Victim Ministries

Children's Story

Prayer of Blessing Pastor Steve

Praise Song

Power of Your Love – Projected

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

John 13:31-35 (pg. 1674)

Message

Loving in the Church

Pastor Steve

*Closing Song

Bless'd be the Tie that Binds – HWB #421

*Benediction

*Postlude

Cindy Siemens

*Asterisk indicates to stand as you are able.

Visitors, please complete a Visitor Information Card from the pew pocket and place in the offering plate.

CALENDAR

May 19 3-6 pm Sebastian's Going Away Party

May 20 7:00 pm Nurture & Mission Meetings

8:00 pm Church Council

May 23 6:00 pm VBS Supper

6:30 pm VBS Training

May 28-31 9-11:30 VBS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A going away party will be held for Sebastian at the church TODAY from 3-6 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Secretary Note: The deadline for the June newsletter is Friday, May 24. This is a little earlier than usual due to the holiday.

Schedule Correction: There will be no prayer meeting on Wednesday, May 22.

A FREE Webinar will be May 21 at 6 pm about the 75 years of Mennonite Voluntary Service. For instructions to join please visit www.mennonitemission.net/news/MVS-webinar. Learn how God inspired many to live out their faith through service and how the program continues to move young people to put their faith into action.

Everence® will hold an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Saturday, June 1, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Topics will include Medicare, Social Security and retirement income planning. The workshop will be presented by Everence staff and will take place at Everence Financial Advisors, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or ormichelle.ramer@everence.com.

The Halstead Community Blood Drive is Monday, June 3 from 12:30 – 6:30 pm at Countryside Christian School Gym. Please call 1-800-Red-Cross or www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: Halsted to make an appointment.

Camp Mennoscah is in need of nurses for June 9-15 and June 23-29 as well as kitchen staff for various dates. Openings are still available for all youth summer camps. Call 620-297-3290 or www.campmennoscah.org for more information. Helpers can contact Oliva at olvia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.

The second Work & Play Day will be May 25 at Camp Mennoscah from 8:30am to 2:30pm. These single work days replace our fall Work & Play Camp. Projects will vary based on skill and ages. A simple lunch will be served. All ages welcome; those under 18 must have an adult with them. Let us know you're coming--register online at www.campmennoscah.org or call us at 620-297-3290!

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WELCOMERS TODAY	Jim & Lois Loflin
ORGANIST/PIANIST	Cindy Siemens
NURSERY TODAY	Leah Kawanguzi & Debbie Nightingale
ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	109
OFFERING LAST SUNDAY	
Church Budget (Designated)	\$6,129.00
Western District Conference (Designated)	165.00
Care Committee	200.00
Care Portal	250.00
Interfaith School Supplies	50.00
Annetta Howard Memorials	125.00
Evelyn Regier Memorials	35.00
Karolyn Unruh Memorials	240.00
Church T-shirts	7.10
Sound System	50.00
VBS	50.00
OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY	Pine Village
WELCOMERS NEXT SUNDAY	Arnita Haury
NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY	Shaun Ortman & Lynda Schroeder



John 13:34

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethel College: TODAY, May 19 – Bethel College celebrates its 126th commencement this afternoon. Say a prayer of thanksgiving, and hope for the future, for the Class of 2019 and their families and friends. **June 1** – This year on National Trails Day® (a program of the American Hiking Society), the city of North Newton has also declared Jacob D. Goering Trail Day. Goering died Jan. 12, on his 101st birthday. He was a founder and a driving force behind the development of Sand Creek Trail on the Bethel College campus. June 1, members of the Sand Creek Trail Committee will have water available for walkers at the Memorial Grove trailhead of Sand Creek Trail from dawn to dusk.

Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA) Kansas Network Hub and Hesston College Aviation will partner for an evening learning event and catered meal on Tuesday, June 4, at the Hesston College hangar at the Newton (Kan.) City/County Airport, 502 N. Oliver. The programming and meal are free though donations are welcome to help with expenses. Reservations are required by Friday, May 31 or until maximum capacity is reached. RSVP at meda.org/kansas-event or to sballard@harperindustries.com or 620-896-7381. The evening's programming will include tours of the Hesston College Aviation facility and airplane fleet, meeting the instructors, information about the flight training program and the recent addition of a four-year bachelor degree, and demonstrations on the simulated advanced training device.

MCC needs your help to replenish supplies in our Material Resources Center! The following items are running low: black and white spools of all-purpose thread, minimum 250 yards, for Sewing Kits (each kit has 3 spools of each color in it). Lotion, minimum 10 oz, for Returning Citizen Care Kits and sanitary napkins, thin maxi, any count, for Relief Kits. MCC only distributes complete kits, so when we are low on one item the processing of the entire kit comes to a halt. Items for kits can be dropped off or shipped to MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. Questions? Check out the kits page at mcc.org/kits or contact katemast@mcc.org.

You are invited to attend the Bethel College Women's Association annual meeting, June 10, 7pm, at KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave, North Newton. Donna Becker will present an historical sketch titled *Her Light Still Shines*, which is about a woman who was integral to the Bethel College Women's Association. Refreshments will be provided, and all are welcome.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Keep all the kids and teachers in your prayers as they finish out the school year!
- Keep in prayer Maeanna Regier as she will be having surgery on May 28. Pray that the surgery will be a success and that she will experience a full recovery.
- Western District Conference: Pray for Camp Mennoscah staff and board, as they plan for the summer camping season, as well as ongoing projects and priorities for the future.
- Mennonite Mission Network: Tomorrow through Friday, the JCS International board of directors and other administrators are gathered for meetings. Pray for safe travel, smooth logistical arrangements, and fruitful discussions so that God will be honored through the ministries that take place in Mongolia. Mennonite Mission Network partners with JCS International.