

FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

Halstead, Kansas

October 7, 2018

Gathering Music

Cindy Siemens

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Steve

Centering Music

Call to Worship

L: From troubled times and difficult walk,

P: We come to the arms of Christ.

L: From separate journeys and diverse experiences,

P: We gather to worship as one.

L: As brothers and sisters in Christ,

P: We come to God, who welcomes us here.

Praise Songs

**What is this Place? – HWB #1*

Because we Believe – Projected

We are the Body of Christ – Projected

Offering and Offertory

MC USA

Children's Story

Prayer of Praise and Concern

Praise Song

I am the Bread of Life – HWB #472

Dramatic Reading

Scripture

John 6:51; Luke 22:14-20 (pgs. 1658; 1637)

Message

In Remembrance

Pastor Steve

Communion

*Closing Song

Sent Forth by God's Blessing – HWB #478

*Benediction

*Postlude

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*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

Oct. 7	3-7 pm	P & M Pumpkin Ranch Outing
Oct. 8	9:30 am	Women's Mission Society
Oct. 10	5:00 pm	Kids Club
	6:00 pm	Supper
	7:00 pm	Adult Bible Study (childcare available)
	8:00 pm	Bell Choir
Oct. 11	9:30 am	Mom's Group
Oct. 14	6:45 pm	Celebration: An Evening of Singing

Looking Ahead:

Oct. 21 Hog Roast

Nov. 10 Mission Supper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us at P & M Pumpkin Ranch (311 16th Ave., Moundridge) today, October 7th from 3-7 pm. We have a campfire spot reserved and will be roasting hot dogs and marshmallows, along with other food items for supper. Mention First Mennonite at the ticket counter and you'll receive a discount on admission. There are activities for all ages! Please sign-up on the sheet in the hallway for food planning.

Mark your calendars for *Celebration: An Evening of Singing* on Sunday, October 14 beginning at 6:45 pm. We will enjoy singing together and then meet for refreshments and fellowship. Invite your friends!

Our annual Church Hog Roast with BBQ and Bluegrass will be Sunday evening October 21 from 5-7pm at the Gazebo in the park across from our church (3rd & Santa Fe). A pulled pork meal will be served and music will be by Kilometer 81 (the Ken & Amy Regier Family). Bring lawn chairs. Cost is by donation. Invite your friends, family & neighbors. In case of inclement weather the event will be held in our church.

Ladies! Are you interested in a daytime women's Bible study later this fall, possibly late October until Christmas? Talk to Ruth Mueller for details at 620-951-4113 or chuckandruthmueller@gmail.com.

We will be removing the dam at Camp Mennoscah on October 7 at 2pm. All are welcome to participate or watch this annual process. Any changes due to weather will be announced on Facebook.

Hesston College Theatre presents its fall comedy, *The Misanthrope*. The play, by Moliere, is a 17th century comedy with a playful 21st century twist. The final showtime is at 2 p.m. on **Oct. 7**. Performances are in the Keim Center Black Box Theatre on the Hesston College campus. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, and can be purchased in advance through the Hesston College Bookstore at 620-327-8105.

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WELCOMERS TODAY

ORGANIST/PIANIST

NURSERY TODAY

CHURCH ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

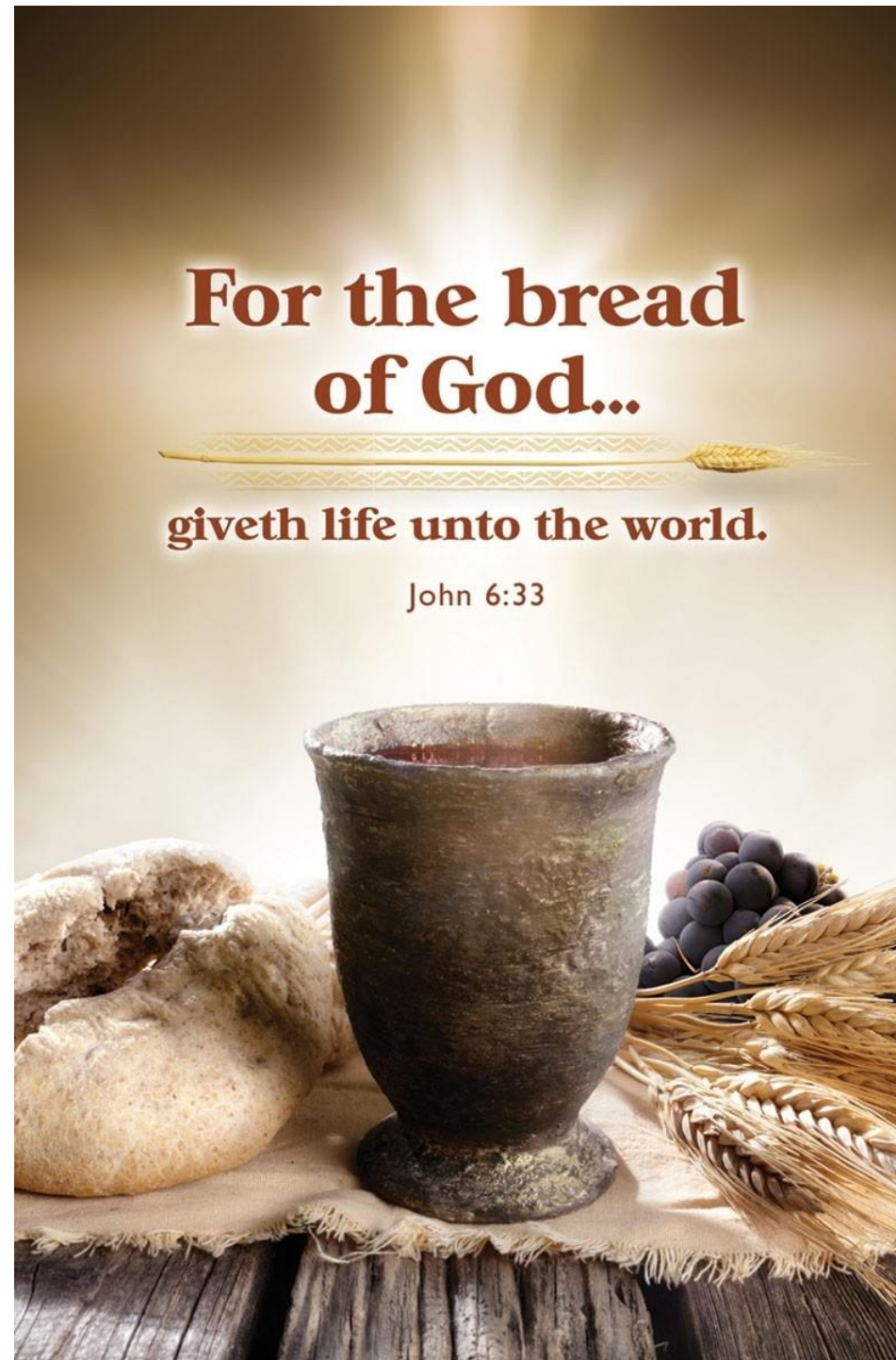
Church Budget (designated)	\$3,669.00
Church Maintenance Fund	175.00
September Birthdays	116.00
Wednesday Night Meal	191.00
Amanda Nightingale Memorial	25.00

OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY

WELCOMERS NEXT SUNDAY

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

Arnita Haury
Cindy Siemens
Sara Smoker & Marilyn Mueller
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Church Budget
Harley & Elaine Mohler
Leah Kawanguzi & LuAnn Laswell



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Join **MCC and Bethel College in the Loss of Turtle Island** as an alternative way to recognize Columbus Day on Monday, **October 8** at 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Bethel College's Memorial Hall in North Newton, Kansas. The Loss of Turtle Island is a participatory experience that depicts the historic relationship between European settlers – including Mennonites – and the Indigenous nations, the original inhabitants, of the land we now call the United States of America. This event is free and open to the public. Questions, contact karinkaufmanwall@mcc.org.

With delicious food and beverage samples from around the world, singing, dancing, storytelling (en español) and lots of fun for all ages, Hesston College's Fall Cultures Fair, a 27-year tradition, will highlight the 22 countries students call home. Bring the family for this free event and celebrate our global community. Monday, **Oct. 8**, 7 p.m. at Hesston Mennonite Church on the Hesston College campus. Contact Carlota Ponds, Director of International Student Support, for more information: 620-327-8210 or carlota.ponds@hesston.edu.

Comforter Mini Blitz October 12 and 13: If you can tie a knot, you can tie a comforter! Join in the fun at this relaxed, come-and-go event at MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St). Bring your friends and family, all ages are welcome. Friday, October 12, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Saturday, October 13, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Before you know it, you'll have helped to spread warmth and love around the world! Check out mcc.org/comforter-mini-blitz for more details or contact katemast@mcc.org.

The first concert of the 2018-19 Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring **Phoebe Hunt & The Gatherers**, will be on Sunday, **Oct. 14th** at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum in Hesston. Join us for an evening of great music and good food in a prairie garden setting. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. Purchase tickets online or call 620-327-8127 to reserve your seats.

The SMCHA Banquet will be held Oct. 18 at 6 pm at Memorial Hall at Bethel College. For more information see the flyer in the hallway.

The Hesston College Bel Canto Singers will present a pre-fall tour concert entitled "Grant Us Peace" at Whitestone Mennonite Church, Hesston, on Thursday, **Oct. 18**, at 7 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

The annual Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA) benefit dinner will be held Friday, **Oct. 19** at 6:30 pm at First Mennonite Church of Newton, KS fellowship hall. Join us to enjoy a Smothered Pork Burrito dinner by Chef Carlos Lujano. (*Meatless burritos available by request*). A program will follow: a dance performed by Iglesia Casa Betania's children, IBA graduation, student testimony and some words by IBA Director, Marco Güete. You will also have an opportunity to participate in a free will offering to support the program financially. Contact Violeta at: VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org or call 316-281-4342 for more information.

Bethel College: Oct. 21 – Menno Simons Lecture with Rachel Waltner Goossen, Washburn University, 7 p.m. The series topic is "Sexual Identities and Leaders in the Faith," with additional lectures Mon., Oct. 22, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

Pine Village: Be sure to mark your calendar for the final Benefit Day Event – Dinner & Auction on Thursday, **October 25th**. All proceeds from all the Benefit Day events go towards total kitchen renovation. Your continued support is always greatly appreciated!

The WDC Resource Commission invites you to join other WDC friends in Dallas for the exciting "Telling the Jesus Story" Year of Evangelism event **October 26-27**. Hear inspiring stories, share and learn how to strengthen evangelistic and discipling efforts in your congregation. Come to Iglesia Luz del Evangelio (1524 Dowdy Ferry Road, Dallas, TX) or ride the van from North Newton, KS with others. Information/registration at: mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/

Fall Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats are nearly half-full! These retreats at Camp Mennoscah are **October 26-28 and November 2-4** and are a hootin' good time to work on your scrapbook or your favorite craft--or just spend time relaxing with friends! Register online at campmennoscah.org! Questions? Call 620-297-3290.

The annual Harvey County Rural School Reunion will be held on Sunday, **Oct. 28** in the Grand Central Newton area Senior Center, 122 E. 6th, Newton, starting at 12:30 pm. Please bring table service and a dish to share. Drinks will be furnished. All that are interested in rural schools are invited. For more info call Carol Rose, 316-835-2821.

Early registration for the Women Doing Theology conference ends on October 12. Join MC USA's Women in Leadership in "Talkin' Bout a Revolution: Dialogue, Practice and the Work of Liberation" on Nov. 8-10. Register now at <http://mennoniteusa.org/wdt18>.

Now in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College: "Listening Across Time," works in mixed media by Rachel Epp Buller, through Nov. 2. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri., 2-4 p.m. Sunday (closed Oct. 15, 16 and 17 for fall break).

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Keep Melissa Clarkson, Garris and Liara and all the family that surrounds them, in your prayers.
- Western District Conference: Pray for Bethel College (North Newton, KS) as it celebrates president Jonathan Gering's inauguration today, and give thanks for WDC's longstanding partnership with Bethel in nurturing church-related higher education.
- Mennonite Mission Network: Tomorrow is Indigenous Peoples Day. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the descendants of White settlers to understand their complicity in the oppression of the original inhabitants of this land. Pray also for mission workers who support marginalized people groups in reclaiming their land, their language, and their dignity.
- Prayers are requested for the MC USA Constituency Leaders Council as they gather in Chicago, Illinois on Oct. 11-13. Ray Reimer (WDC Moderator), Heidi Regier Kreider (WDC Conference Minister) and Damian Rodriguez are WDC representatives to CLC, appointed by the WDC Executive Board.