

## New Creation Fellowship Church

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL** for all ages meets on Sundays at 9:30 am during the school year. (Jan. 5, 19 & 26)

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS** are held monthly on the second Sunday of the month before worship. (Jan. 12)

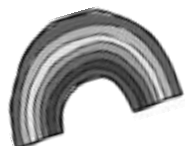
**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP** begins at **10:30 am**. Recordings of our worship services are available on our website. Childcare for children not yet in kindergarten is provided in the basement after Children's Time.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** (potluck style) is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following worship. (Jan. 12 & 26)

**YOUTH GROUP** is open to youth in grades 6 through high school. They meet with the Shalom youth group on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm during the school year.

#### NEW CREATION PRESCHOOL

a non-profit outreach of New Creation Fellowship Church  
Kristin Neufeld Epp, director/teacher  
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## January 5, 2020

At New Creation we seek to celebrate our differences as gifts and blessings — our differences in color, gender, sexual orientation, and the many other ways we are categorized by the world. You are welcome in this place as we journey together, discerning how to follow Jesus more faithfully.

Opening song: God is here among us HWB 16

Welcome, introductions and announcements

Meditative music

Call to worship

Worship in song:

Angels we have heard on high (v. 1 & 4) HWB 197

Where is this stupendous stranger (v. 1 & 4) HWB 200

What child is this (v. 1 & 3) HWB 215

Beautiful star of Bethlehem screen

Offering

Time with children Kristin Neufeld Epp

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Teaching: *Epiphany & Massacre* Pastor Derrick Ramer

Song of response: Nothing is lost on the breath of God, screen

Communion

Sharing our reflections, joys and prayer concerns

(Response: *O God, hear us*)

Closing song: Use us Lord as we go screen

Benediction

**LAST WEEK (Dec 29):** Attendance: 47  
General Fund: \$784

**TODAY (January 5):**

**Greeters:** Ben M and Clark O  
**Worship leader:** John M  
**Sound system:** Aaron R  
**Music:** Vicki L, Becky M and Michelle V  
**Childcare:** Libby S and Naomi E  
**Communion servers:** Christy SS, Marvin P, Ruth M and Carmina S  
**Care of the building:** Krievins, Mock and Amy Regier

**NEXT WEEK (January 12):**

**Greeters:** Kelven M and John M  
**Worship leader:** Pastor Derrick R  
**Sound system:** Garth with Dominic  
**Music:** Chuck N and Bonnie N  
**Childcare:** Michelle R and Kathy L with Chris  
**Children's time:** Looking for a volunteer  
**Teaching:** Eric Massanari  
**Care of the building:** Horsch and E Esau/J Regier, and Lawrence  
**Lectionary Text:**

[Isaiah 42:1-9](#)

[Psalm 29](#)

[Acts 10:34-43](#)

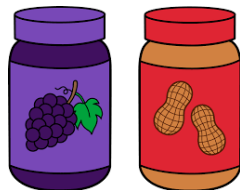
[Matthew 3:13-17](#)

**NEW CREATION BREAK:** You are invited to join us on Tues at 10:00 am at the Newton Donut Shop.

The next **Congregational Meeting** will be held on Jan. 12 at 9:00. The agenda includes a recommendation for Ann Showalter's memorial money. Micah and Carla Hurst will share their journey as they prepare to join our church. Everyone is welcome and childcare will be provided.

**Colored candles:** We light a green candle to represent those prayer concerns among us that may not be spoken aloud. We light a purple candle for those who consider New Creation their family, but are not here today. We light the rainbow candle in memory of Ann Showalter.

**Food Pantry:** The Salvation Army said they are in need of peanut butter and jelly. You are invited to gather a few jars and bring to church on Sunday.



**Gluten free bread** is served at communion.

**Sunday school snacks:** We need volunteers to provide a snack to about 15 Sunday school kiddos. Please let Brenda know if you can **bring snacks on Feb 2, Feb 23, March 1 or March 29.** You can deliver your snacks to the kitchen before Sunday school and the teachers will come get what they need. Snacks ideas: bananas, crackers, oranges or popcorn. Thanks to Leia, Audrey, Rebecca, Andy and Jenn for bringing snacks in the fall.

**Wider church announcements and prayer requests**

**Everence** will host its popular workshop, *Make Medicare an easy step*, in North Newton on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. The workshop is free, but space is limited! Reserve your spot by contacting Michelle Ramer at 316-283-3800 or [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com). Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare.

**WESTERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE:** Pray for youth in WDC congregations, and the leaders who mentor, teach and accompany them in their faith journey.

**MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK:** Deb Byler of MMN has just returned to Guatemala after three months on North American Assignment. Pray for her as she continues to work with Mennonite women in Bible studies, trauma healing, and leadership training.

**Centering Prayer** meets most Mondays from noon-1 p.m. in Agape Center in Richert House on the Bethel College campus. Try it once, come occasionally or join us regularly – all are welcome, with no previous experience with Centering Prayer required. For more information, contact Nathan Koontz, [2nathankoontz@gmail.com](mailto:2nathankoontz@gmail.com), map for Richert House at [www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/](http://www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/)

Bethel College annual **Martin Luther King Jr. Day** celebration, with guest speaker Michelle Vann, Ph.D., on Mon., Jan. 20 (not sure what time) Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

