

## New Creation Fellowship Church

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL** for all ages meets on Sundays at 9:30 am during the school year. (Feb 3, 17 & 24)

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS** are held monthly on the second Sunday of the month before worship. Childcare is provided. (Feb 10)

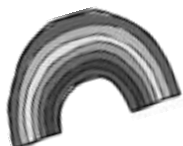
**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP** begins at **10:30 am**. Sunday Worship Services are available on CD and our website. Childcare for children not yet in kindergarten is provided in the basement after Children's Time.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** (potluck style) is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following worship. (Feb 10 and 24)

**YOUTH GROUP** is open to youth in grades 6 through high school. We meet with the Shalom youth group on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm during the school year. For more information, contact sponsors, Jill or Carmina.

#### NEW CREATION PRESCHOOL

a non-profit outreach of New Creation Fellowship Church  
Kristin Neufeld Epp, director/teacher  
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## February 3, 2019

*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: Jesus calls us here to meet him – StJ 3

Introductions and announcements

Meditative music

Call to worship

Songs:

Be a sower - screen

There's a wideness in God's mercy - HWB 145

In Christ there is no East or West – HWB 306

New earth, heavens new - HWB 299

Offering

Children's time: Kristin Neufeld Epp

Scripture: Luke 4:21-30

Teaching: *Jesus Challenges Boundaries*, Gordon Houser

Communion: Pastor Derrick Ramer

Sharing our reflections, joys and prayer concerns  
(Response: *O Lord, hear us*)

Closing song: Go, my children - HWB 433

Benediction

**LAST WEEK (Jan 13): Attendance:** 68  
**Contributions:** General \$1416  
Capital Improvement Tree Removal Fund \$300

**TODAY (Feb 3):**  
**Greeters:** Marvin P and Zeke R  
**Worship leader:** Pastor Derrick R  
**Sound system:** Aaron R  
**Music:** Gordon H, Becky M and Michelle V  
**Communion:** Galen M, Ruth P, Ann S and Meagan B  
**Childcare:** Ian GG and Callan B  
**Sunday care of the building:** Krievins and Horsch households

**NEXT WEEK (Feb 10):**  
**Greeters:** Kelven M and Cheyanne S  
**Worship leader:** Gordon H  
**Sound system:** Galen M  
**Music:** Ruth M, Rhonda H and Pastor Derrick R  
**Children's time:** Brenda M  
**Teaching:** Pastor Derrick R  
**Childcare:** Libby S and Ben M  
**Care of building:** Gingrich-Gaylord/Thompson & Schunn-Sebes  
**Lectionary Text:**

[Isaiah 6:1-8, \(9-13\)](#) [Psalm 138](#) [1 Corinthians 15:1-11](#) [Luke 5:1-11](#)

**BOOKS:** We have a new box of books from Western District Resource Library. Feel free to check out books and return by March 24.

**NEW CREATION BREAK:** 10:00 am Tuesday at the Newton Donut Shop.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY:** It is time to update the church directory, please let Brenda know if you would like to be added to the directory or if you have any changes in your contact information by Feb 3, 2019.

**GLUTEN FREE BREAD** is served at communion.

**MULBERRY TREE REMOVAL:** \$650 has been donated out of the \$1000 cost. Thank you!

The next **Congregational Meeting** will be on Feb 10 at 9:00 am. The Congregational Care Team will be leading the meeting and reviewing our sexual misconduct policy. More details coming later.



**Looking for snacks on Super Bowl Sunday?** The youth group is selling snacks TODAY, Feb. 3 as a fundraiser for their trip to MCUSA convention this summer. Thank you for your support of our youth!

**\$350 SAFE CHURCH GRANT:** Clark Oswald, who is our Everence Church Advocate, applied for a Everence Safe Church Grant which was available for churches to help protect vulnerable individuals. To safeguard our preschool children, the following items were installed: a motion detector, a gate, a doorbell and repaired a door lock. In other parts of our church a window was installed in the church office and 'no weapon' signage was hung by the entrance doors.

### **Wider church announcements and prayer requests**

The **Bethel College** interterm class Prison Theater Project presents *Inside Story*, the on-campus version of the collaboration with inmates at Hutchinson Correctional Facility on Sun., Feb. 3 at 2 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. [Naomi Epp](#) will be in this performance.

**KNOW JESUS:** Pray for junior high youth and sponsors attending *Know Jesus*, a retreat next weekend organized by the WDC and South Central Conference Youth Ministry Committee and hosted by Hesston College for students to worship together and learn more about Anabaptist roots and faith. [Christopher](#) will be attending.

**Social Security and retirement income workshop scheduled for February:** Everence® will hold an informative workshop on Thurs., Feb. 7, at 6:30 p.m. *Social Security and retirement income planning* will cover when to begin taking Social Security benefits, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. The workshops are held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. For reservations, contact Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; or [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com).

**CHOIR CONCERT:** The Hesston College Bel Canto Singers and the Bethel College Concert Choir will be performing at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, on February 17 at 7 pm. Bringing these two choirs together for a concert is a dream come true for their directors, and it will be a very special evening indeed.

**KIPCOR** Film Series presents *More Than a Word*, which examines the controversy over Native American-themed sports mascots and nicknames, on Sun., Feb. 17 at 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. Talk-back follows with Edward Valandra, Ph.D., Sicangu Titunwan (Lakota), and Sherman Padgett, former principal of Wichita North High School (the "Redskins").

**First Mennonite Church,** Halstead, will hold their annual Verenike Supper on Sat., Feb. 16 from 4:30-7:00 pm at 427 West 4th Street. The menu is verenike, ham gravy, sausage, green beans, cherry moos, zweiback, beverages, relishes and pie. Cost is by donation for service trips and service projects.



## Mennonite Central Committee

Join **MCC** on Sunday, February 10, 4 p.m. at Bethel College Mennonite Church (2600 College Ave., North Newton) in Fellowship hall to hear, "On Second Thought: a family's return to Chad." Susan and Jim Jantzen will share the story and images from their return journey to Chad, Africa, where they served with Mennonite Central Committee 30 years ago. The January 2018 trip allowed Jim and Susan to deliver photos and recordings of members of the community whose lives were taken shortly after the Jantzen's departed in 1987.

Join MCC Central States May 6-11 for a South Texas Borderlands Learning Tour focused on education related to a range of matters surrounding immigration. Cost is \$650. Contact Ana Alicia Hinojosa for more information: <https://mcc.org/get-involved/events/learning-tour-south-texas-borderlands>

**MCC Quilters' Corner Opportunities:** Volunteers are welcome and needed each Tuesday evening 7-9 pm at the MCC Center in North Newton to help sort and price items for the Sale as well as each third Saturday of the month (Feb 15, Mar 15) any time between 9 am - 3 pm. Quilting donations are also welcome and needed i.e. quilting fabrics, quilting supplies, vintage linens, unfinished quilting projects, etc. Donations may be brought to the MCC Center with the indication that they are for Quilters' Corner. If you have questions contact Ann Yoder Smith, 919-604-3282, [rws.ays@gmail.com](mailto:rws.ays@gmail.com)

Stay up-to-date on all things relating to **Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale** on April 12 & 13 by liking us on Facebook at Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale or our website at [www.kansas.mccsale.org](http://www.kansas.mccsale.org).

**Service Opportunities:** The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale invites you to tithe a little bit of your time each year; you have an amazing opportunity to impact your world by furthering the work of Mennonite Central Committee. There is variety of committee openings including an Urgent Need Vereniki Making Committee – 2 people, Domestic Arts Verenike Booth Committee Members, FTM Sausage Baking on Saturday and New Year's Cookie committee. See your Michelle Ramer, who is the NCFC, Relief Sale Contact liaison for details.

**Save the Date!** All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission spring supper Thursday, March 21 at 6:00 First Mennonite Church, McPherson.

**MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK:** Mary Raber requests prayer for pastors and wives living in Ukraine's militarized zone. MMN is helping sponsor a retreat for them this month. Pray for safety in travel and that church leaders would be physically and spiritually renewed for continued ministry in difficult conditions.



**Camp Mennoscah's** online registration for summer youth camps AND Youth Volunteer Weekend will open February 1! Register at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org). Those interested in counseling or volunteering as kitchen staff should contact Olivia at [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org). We're planning on an absolutely amazing summer!

**Youth Volunteer Weekend** is March 15-16 at Camp Mennoscah! It's a time of refreshing worship, snazzy service, and other camp folks, both old and new. This retreat is for those grades 7-12. Full scholarships are available. Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org)!

**Spring Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats** are around the corner! Grab your crafty stuff or paper and pictures and join us at Camp Mennoscah on March 8-10 or March 15-17. You can't beat the hours of focused energy on your projects--or maybe just distracted conversation, snacks, and spiffy fun times with others! It's your weekend. Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) or call us at 620-297-3290.

**It's time for DESSERT!** Camp Mennoscah will be holding the annual Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction at Bethel College Mennonite Church on February 24 from 4-6pm. We'll be celebrating and raising funds for our summer staff who provide mentoring relationships and faith formation, which is what camp is all about. One set of hymns will be "bluegrass" and led by (former) summer staff!

