

## 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 17 & 24)

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

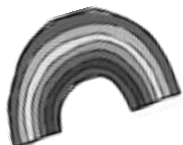
**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP** begins at **10:30 am**. Sunday Worship Services are available on CD and our website. Childcare for children not yet in kindergarten is provided in the basement after Children's Time.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** (potluck style) is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following worship. (Feb 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 17, 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: Come, let us all unite to sing – HWB 12

Welcome and announcements

Call to worship

Music for meditation

Songs of reflection:

For our life together we celebrate - screen

Be a sower - screen

We are one in the spirit - screen

One is the body – StJ 72

Offering

Time with the children: Kristin Neufeld Epp

Scripture: John 1:12-13

Teaching: *The Kin-dom of God*, Pastor Derrick Ramer

Celebrating life together (Response: *Oh Lord, hear us*)

Praying together

Closing song: Yes, in joy you shall depart - screen

Benediction

**LAST WEEK (Feb 10): Attendance:** 67  
**Contributions:** General \$1057  
Preschool Fund \$320.06

**TODAY (Feb 17):**  
**Greeters:** John M and Mara O  
**Worship leader:** Anthony H  
**Sound system:** Garth M  
**Music:** Chuck N, Bonnie N and Stephany M  
**Childcare:** Galen M and Kate S  
**Sunday care of the building:** Schlabach, A Regier and Hecht families

**NEXT WEEK (Feb 24):**  
**Greeters:** Clark O and Stephany M  
**Worship leader:** Megan T  
**Sound system:** George K  
**Music:** Vicki L, Ian GG, Aaron R  
**Children's time:** Looking for a volunteer  
**Teaching:** Chuck N  
**Childcare:** Clark B and Eliza E  
**Care of building:** C & B Neufeld and Oswald/Schrag families  
**Lectionary Text:**

<a href="#">Genesis 45:3-11, 15</a>	<a href="#">Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40</a>	<a href="#">1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-</a>	<a href="#">Luke 6:27-38</a>
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**NEW CREATION BREAK:** You are invited to come Tuesday at 10:00 am to the Newton Donut Shop (by Papa John's).

**PASTOR REVIEW PROCESS:** Please complete your Pastoral Review form and put in Ian, Carmina or Jim's church mail box by Feb 28.

The **FOOD PANTRY** is requesting peanut butter and jelly. You are invited to bring an offering of food to be donated to the Salvation Army.

**PASTOR DERRICK** will be traveling to Indiana for a wedding this week. He will leave Wednesday morning, Feb. 20 and return Mon., Feb. 25. He can be reached on his cell phone while he is gone. You can also contact Carmina S, Aaron R, or Becky M from the Congregational Care Team.

The **EVERENCE** Sharing Funds provided \$3000 in matching funds to support special needs in our church in 2018. Everence uses a congregation's Everence membership numbers as one factor to determine monetary allotment for the year. Thank you to those persons who own an Everence Financial product which helps to increase our annual funding. Clark Oswald serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact him if you would like to know more about this information.

**GLEN GUYTON**, Executive Director of Mennonite Church USA, will be giving the sermon at our church on Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. You are invited!

## Wider church announcements and prayer requests

**Retirement workshop:** Everence® will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Saturday, March 2, 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 [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com).

**MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP)** program is seeking groups, individuals and summer staff to serve with this home repair ministry while learning about life in Appalachia. For more information visit [swap.mcc.org](http://swap.mcc.org) or contact Angela at [AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org](mailto:AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org) or 606-633-5065.

**Mennonite Central Committee Comforter Blitz** on March 4, 5 and 6 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, KS on Monday, 9:00am to 5:00pm Tuesday, 9:00am to 5:00pm and Wednesday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. No sewing skills are required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. Bring snacks to share during the work day. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC.

**“What Would They Say Now? Encounters with People of the Bible – Six Reflections for Lent”** by Friends of Sabeel North America is available for your Lenten study and prayer group now. WDC Israel-Palestine Task Force encourages you to go to :<https://www.fosna.org/sites/default/files/Lent2018.pdf> to use this powerful resource.

**Call for artwork from WDC:** WDC staff invites congregations to loan visual art pieces for temporary display in WDC's office facility and Resource Library (in North Newton), with these guidelines: Created by members of your congregation or local community, and representing your congregation or reflecting elements of the WDC Mission Statement (see <http://mennowdc.org/identity/>), or MC USA *Journey Forward* themes (see [http://mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/JF-\\_-DRAFT-Document-V3.pdf](http://mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/JF-_-DRAFT-Document-V3.pdf)). Art pieces may be in various media including print, photograph, painting, children's drawing, textile/fabric, sculpture, etc. Art pieces will be returned to your congregation after 6 months (or an alternate period of time to be mutually determined). To suggest an art piece for consideration, a congregational representative should first send a digital photo and written description to WDC at [wdc@mennowdc.org](mailto:wdc@mennowdc.org). WDC staff will then coordinate with your congregation to receive and display the art pieces.

