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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.

PRAYER requests

Western District Conference: Give thanks for those who serve on WDC's four commissions, and pray for the commissions as they each meet this week to nurture church planting, sustain healthy ministerial leadership, resource congregations, and guide stewardship of the financial, staff and office resources that support these conference ministries.

Mennonite Mission Network: Tomorrow, members of the Central Plains Mennonite Conference will begin a week-long Just Peace Pilgrimage, organized by Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for open minds and hearts as participants focus on the struggle for civil rights in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, and how Jesus is calling his followers to respond.

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March 3, 2024



Third Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Gathering song: How Great Thou Art VT 436

Welcome, introductions and announcements

Lenten reading

Meditative music: Lord You Have Been Our Refuge . HOS156

God Lights a Lamp VT 299

Here I Am to Worship VT 227

ScriptureMark 1:9-15 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

Offering

Children's time Janice Regier

Teaching..... Audrey Ratzlaff
Examine Yourself, Beloved. It's Good News!

Time for reflection:Communion

Slowly Turning, Ever Turning.....StJ 23

Sharing and praying together *O God, hear us*

Sending song: We've Come This Far by Faith VT 599

Benediction

Contributions Feb 25: General Fund: \$241
Preschool Scholarships: \$212

	<u>March 3</u>	<u>March 10</u>
Worship leader	Pastor Shana G	
Speaker	Audrey R	Pastor Shana G
Song leader	Vicki L	Krista M
Musicians	Rhonda H	Ian GG
Children's time	Janice R	Melodie T
Audio & video	Galen M & Aaron R	Ruth, George, Aaron V
A / V runner	Andy B	John M
Childcare	Emily B & Kelven M	Olivia E & Norm L
Care of building	Janice R & Eldon E	Brenda & Kelven M
Communion	Marvin P, Elizabeth E, Chuck N & Bonnie N	n/a

The most recent Covid Community Level in Harvey County is "Low". Please follow the "Trust" protocols in our gathering together at church. Masking is optional, there are no restrictions on eating together, fellowship, or coffee, indoors or outdoors. We will trust each other to choose what is needed to stay healthy. If you have any questions, please ask a member of the admin team.

Our next **Congregational Meeting** will be March 10 at 9:00 am to continue the discussion about sustainability.



'Like' Newton Creation Fellowship Church on Facebook for announcements, pictures of church events, inspiration and preschool updates.

Scholarships: As a church community, we support our high school graduates through a scholarship fund for those pursuing their first post-high school degree. The scholarship amount depends on the number of applicants and the amount donated. We need to have these donations by May 26 for the 2024-25 school year. If you wish to donate to this above budget fund, please make your check to NCFC with "college scholarship" written in the memo or designate any cash gift in the same way. We have heard many positive comments from past recipients - even when the amount is small - as it symbolizes a concrete way for them to experience our support.

Communion: We serve gluten free pretzels and grape juice. Everyone is invited to participate.

Childcare: Would you be willing to help with childcare during worship? We need a few more people to volunteer for once-a-month childcare. Contact Brenda if you are interested.

Hartzler Bible Lectures at Bethel College with César Garcia, general secretary of Mennonite World Conference, and Sandra Baez, pastor and executive assistant to the general secretary; Sun., March 17 at 7 p.m. Administration Building chapel, & Mon., March 18 at 11 a.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

The **Kidron Bethel Village Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (D.E.I.) Group** will host Brad Richards for a special presentation on civil rights at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, March 7, in Kidron Hall, 3001 Ivy Dr., North Newton. The presentation is free and open to the public. Richards is Education Manager and Community Outreach Coordinator at The Kansas African American Museum in Wichita. His presentation, "March Toward Civil Rights," correlates with the 59th anniversary of Martin Luther King Junior's historic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory: An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, but some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: new infant sleepers (6-12 month sizes); bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha or Zote brands); shampoo (20 oz min) and spiral notebooks (70 sheets). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits.

Bel Canto Singers Final Spring Break Tour Concert: The final concert of the spring break tour will be Tuesday, March 19, 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church, Hesston, Kan. The 19-voice mixed chamber choir, under the direction of Dr. Russell Adrian and accompanied by Ken Rodgers, will present a program titled "Common Ground." The program is inspired by the composition "On the Common Ground" written by Alice Parker out of concern for the many walls that have appeared to separate society. Audience members may also join via livestream at hesston.edu/livestream.

