## **New Creation Fellowship Church**

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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.

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.

# PRAYER requests

**Western District Conference:** May the Lord guide us and provide financial opportunities for the Guatemala learning tour that is in the planning process. We pray for the safety of all future travelers and that their eyes and ears to be opened to their new surroundings. -WDC Church Planting Commission

**Mennonite Mission Network:** On this Easter Sunday, join MMN in praying for peace and abundant life in Israel and Palestine, the land where Jesus lived, embodied his teachings, was murdered and rose victorious from the dead.

New Creation Fellowship Church March 31, 2024



Opening song: Lord of the Dancescreen			
Welcome, introductions and announcements			
Call to worshipscreen			
Decorating the cross: Alive, Alivescreen			
Singing and praising: Low in the Grave He Lay			
Offering			
Children's time Kristin Neufeld Epp			
ScriptureLuke 24:1-11			
Message Pastor Shana Green The Nuance of "Nonsense"			
Sharing and praying together O God, hear us			
Sending song: Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing VT 359			
Blessing			

	March 31	<u>April 7</u>
Worship leader	Audrey R	Megan T
Speaker	Pastor Shana G	Pastor Shana G
Song leader	Chuck N	Vicki L
Musicians	Bonnie N & Aaron R	lan GG
Children's time	Kristin NE	
Audio & video	Andy B & Aaron V	George K & Galen M
A / V runner	Ruth M	John M
Childcare	Eliza E & Norm L	Emily B & Kelven M
Care of building	Krievins & Andy B	Rhonda & Anthony H
Communion servers	n/a	John M, Steve M, Andy B and ?

**Childcare** is provided following "children's time" for children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and younger. There is a changing table and nursing rocking chair available in the basement south room.

**Scholarships:** As a church community, we support our high school graduates through a scholarship fund for those pursuing their first posthigh school degree. We need to have these donations by May 26. 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.

Our **Sharing Fund** balance is currently running low. Every contribution helps us provide mutual aid to our NCFC Community, if you're able, please consider giving to the fund.

**Got Coins?** Put your loose change in the offering plate. The kids will put the coins in the MCC water jug. Your coins help with MCC water projects!

The next **Congregational Meeting** will be April 14 at 9:00 am. We will continue our discussion about sustainability with the topic church finances. Please pray for the conversations and plan to attend.

Brenda M is **out of the office** and will return April 3. She will continue to monitor emails and send out prayer requests.

**Workday:** The Hurst family will be moving to Sydney, Australia in a few months. Their small group will be hosting a workday on Saturday, April 27, to help them prepare. There will be tasks for all ages and skill levels including yard work, window washing, and general cleaning. More details will be coming soon. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us in helping the Hurst family prepare for their international move. If you have questions, please contact Becky Miller or another member of Hursts' small group: Galen, Marv, Ruth P., Melodie, Jim, or Jean.

The **Bethel College Community for Justice and Peace** (BC CJP) is hosting a demonstration on Wednesday, April 3rd, at 7:00 PM in front of the Bethel College Administration Building to call for peace in the Middle East, particularly concerning the war in Gaza. You are all invited to join. If you are interested in learning more about this event or BC CJP, subscribe to our free publication at <u>https://bccjpsurvival.substack.com</u>.

**Western District Women & Girls:** Edimental Gardening for Every Growing Space, featuring Renata Goossen will be sponsored by Western District Women in Mission at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton on Friday, April 19. The schedule is: 5 - 6 p.m. Browse and purchase plants from Renata's Plant Bus. Bring a salad to share for supper to start at 6 p.m.. The evening program, 6:30 - 7:30, will feature music by Prairie Highway and Renata speaking on her topic of edimental gardening, plants that are both edible and ornamental. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more details about the evening schedule and our other WDWM activities.

**MCC invites you to take the challenge: A month of climate actions for peace!** Sign up to get your free calendar with a different climate action you can take each day in April. From learning to praying to advocating, this month of activities will help you take action to address climate change. Join the challenge as an individual, family, church or small group. Sign up today for A Month of Climate Actions for Peace at <u>mcc.org/month-climate-action-peace</u>!

### MCC's Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP) home repair program is seeking summer staff in Kimball, West Virginia or Elkhorn City, Kentucky. These three-month positions for Job Site Coordinators and Meals Coordinators will allow you to explore new cultures, develop skills, build friendships and live out your faith. Applicants should be at least 19 years old, but the roles are not limited to young adults. An hourly wage plus room and board are provided. For more information and to apply, visit <u>mcc.org/swapsummer-meals</u> or <u>mcc.org/swap-summer-job-site</u>. Or contact the MCC Appalachia SWAP office at (606) 634-4418 or AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org.