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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 WDC congregations as they embody the good news of new life in Christ!

Mennonite Mission Network: Celebrate Easter by sharing the good news of Jesus' victory over the grip of evil in our world. Join Mennonite Mission Network's personnel and partners throughout the United States and in 49 countries around the world in proclaiming this message to those whom you encounter today and every day.

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April 9, 2023



The Christ candle at the front of the sanctuary is wrapped in gold to symbolize Resurrection Sunday.

- Prelude
- Opening Song: Alive, Alive Screen
- Welcome and Announcements..... Megan Thompson
- Meditative Music (place flowers on cross)
- Call to Worship Screen
- Christ the Lord is Risen Today VT 346
- Lift Your Glad Voices VT 340
- Was it a Morning Like This? Screen
- Offering
- Children's Time..... Kristin Neufeld Epp
- Scripture Reading..... Matthew 28:1-10
- Teaching..... Renee Reimer
Christ is LIVING and BREATHING Today!
- Sharing and Praying Together..... "O God, hear us"
- Sending Song: Low in the Grave He Lay..... VT 333
- Benediction

Contributions April 2: General Fund: \$802 College Scholarship: \$500

	<u>April 9</u>	<u>April 16</u>
Worship leader	Megan T	Leadership and Congregation Relations Team
Song leader	Vicki L & Melodie T	Chuck N
Musicians	Ian GG & Aaron V	Bonnie N
Sound & video	George K & Galen M	Andy B & Aaron V
Children's time	Kristin NE	n/a
Speaker	Renee R	Congregational Meeting
Care of building	Ratzlaff Family	John M & Krista M
Childcare	n/a	Eliza E & Shawna H

Green candle: We light the green candle amid the white candles to represent those prayer concerns among us that that may be quietly carried by individual but might not be spoken aloud.

Church mailbox: Have you checked your church mailbox lately? Your mailbox might be full of important information.

Congregational Meeting April 16, 9:30 – 11:45ish

COVID 19, vaccinations, study/work/worship remotely, travel bans, masking policies... **Where is God in all of this?** What scriptures, poems, songs, spiritual practices have been helping you to be aware of God's presence during this difficult time?

On Sunday, April 16, the LCRT will be facilitating the congregational meeting/worship time around reflecting on our current "Masks Recommended" policy. We want to frame our worship/meeting within the larger context of the experience of the pandemic, our personal inner journey during this time and our journey as a community.

We invite you to send songs, poems, scriptures or brief stories that have been meaningful to you during this time to Carmina Suter, Leia Lawrence, or John Murray. We will incorporate as many of them into the April 16 worship/meeting time as possible.

Childcare will be provided for part of the meeting by Eliza E and Shawna H. The exact childcare times will be finalized later.

Masks Recommended: We are mindful in our practice of masking and we recommend that you join us in this practice.

Everence® will hold an informative Social Security and retirement income workshop on Thursday, April 20, starting at 6:30 p.m. Specifics will include, Social Security strategies, including when to begin taking benefits, risks that can impact your retirement savings plus strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. The in-person workshop will take place at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

KIPCOR Film Series presents *Thirst for Justice*, on Sun., April 16 at 2:00 pm, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. This documentary looks at three citizen groups fighting for clean water, in the Navajo Nation, Flint, Mich., and Standing Rock. An audience talkback will follow the screening. Free and open to the public, with a freewill offering taken to support KIPCOR and the film series.

NCFC Family Events

This is a calendar of events involving the children, youth and adults in our NCFC family. If you have a sporting event, musical concert, or artistic exhibition AND would welcome attendance from our congregation, please send the details to Brenda. This is another opportunity to support and connect with each other beyond our Sunday morning gatherings and small groups.

Name	What	Date	Where
Lori Dreier	Yoga Class (all levels)	Mondays 5:30 to 6:30 pm starting April 17	Old Mill Plaza, 301 N. Main, first floor \$10 suggested donation.
Aaron Ratzlaff	McPherson Community Brass Choir	April 23 4:00 pm	McPherson Church of The Brethren 200 N Carrie St, McPherson
Stephany, Annalise and Edel	Masterworks Concert	April 30 4:00 pm	Bethel College Memorial Hall
Nadia Ratzlaff	Spring Vocal Concert	May 2 7:00 pm	Peabody-Burns Junior/Senior High
Nadia Ratzlaff	Band Concert	May 3 7:00 pm	Peabody-Burns Junior/Senior High
Nadia Ratzlaff	Marching Band	May 12	McPherson All Schools Day parade

