

New Creation Fellowship Church
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**New Creation
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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: Pray for all WDC congregations as we journey through this Holy Week, remembering Jesus' death and recognizing his presence in places of suffering and grief in our communities and world today.

Mennonite Mission Network: Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig, jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network, traveled to Benin and Chad in preparation for a new ministry among Muslim and Christian believers. Pray for them as they complete their assignment at Paris (France) Mennonite Center and discern God's leading into their next ministry location.

Prelude..... Ian Gingrich-Gaylord

Gathering song: Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord

Welcome Pastor Derrick Ramer

Meditative music..... Ian Gingrich-Gaylord

Call to worship..... Pastor Derrick Ramer

Congregational singing:
 All Glory, Laud, and Honor VT 315
 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna..... VT 313
 To Leave the Stones Unthrown VT 580

Scripture..... Luke 19:28-40, Luke 23:1-49

Children's time..... Rebecca Barrett-Fox

Sermon..... Rebecca Barrett-Fox
Psalms and Passion

Share reflections, joys, and prayer concerns..... *O God, hear us*

Sending song: Go to Dark Gethsemane..... VT 317

Benediction

Offering (April 3-8):	
General Fund: \$2850	Sharing Fund: \$216
Preschool Tuition Assistance: \$2000	Preschool Fund: \$150

	<u>April 10</u>	<u>April 17</u>
Worship leader	Pastor Derrick R	Audrey R
Speaker	Rebecca BF	Pastor Derrick R
Musicians	Ian GG, Gordon H	Aaron R, Ian GG, Vicki L
Children's time	Rebecca BF	Rebecca BF
Care of building	Hurst Family	John & Krista M

Lectionary Text for April 17

Acts 10:34-43	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	1 Corinthians 15:19-26	John 20:1-18
Isaiah 65:17-25		Acts 10:34-43	Luke 24:1-12



Our church offers support to 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 29 for the 2022-23 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. For those students wanting to apply for the scholarship, the scholarship application is available by contacting Krista Murray (kmurray62@gmail.com or text or call 620-217-9037). Return applications to Krista M by June 1.

The **Land Explorers task force** is disbanding, as they have completed and shared a basic outline with the church of how to consider uses for various areas of the Pine and SE 2nd St. church property. At the February Congregational Meeting the task force heard affirmation and indications of interest from a few people in proceeding soon with developing a green space, particularly by planting trees, in a loosely defined Section B on the site map of that property. Brenda and John have offered to co-chair a new group specifically for the purpose of designing a nature walk plan, as well as a future wind break in Section A, in the next few months, and then working with that group and other volunteers to plant trees next fall and care for those. Contact one of them soon if you have interest in volunteering to be part of that group.

Easter schedule: 9:30 outdoor breakfast & 10:15 outdoor service
Everyone is invited to an outdoor breakfast starting at 9:30 am and outdoor church service at 10:15am. Bring your own chairs, table service and continental style breakfast items to share.



Easter flowers: You are invited to bring fresh cut flowers to decorate the cross. The cross, a symbol of death, darkness, pain and hopelessness is transformed into something beautiful, new and alive in celebration of the Resurrection of Christ.

Sharing Box: Remember the Sharing Box at the church. Feel free to drop by to add or take items. Let us continue to pray for both the givers and the receivers.

New Creation Preschool Update: Enrollment for 2022-2023 is complete and the school year will start after Labor Day. To increase income we are adding a thirteenth child to each class (Monday-Friday mornings). Kristin and Brenda will continue as teachers for all classes. We treasure our church volunteers who make this program work beautifully: Bonnie, Kelven, Mona, Norm and Vicki.

Church mailbox: Have you checked your church mailbox? Please note the new location by the elevator.

Camp Mennoscah is having a Verenike Casserole Fundraiser on April 30! Summer youth camps and retreats are a vital and living part of faith formation for youth and young adults.

Nurses needed for Summer Youth Camps! Your time and skill give campers a week of growing in Christian fellowship and experiencing God's great creation. Nurses need RN certification or equivalent. Nurses are needed for June 12-18, June 19-23, June 23-25, July 3-9, and July 24-29. Contact us at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.

Western District Women in Mission invites all women to a virtual "Meet-up" on Tues, April 26th, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Please join us as we hear from Barbara Gingrich, Cheryl Kaufman, and Cindy Thompson from Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church in Wichita about their Knit4Peace project. Then, Sarah Augustine will discuss her personal life journey and book she authored called *The Land is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery* (Herald Press, 2021). To register for this event, email westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com by Monday, April 25.

