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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: Pray for generous financial support for WDC congregations and their ministries, and for WDC as it equips and connects with congregations and ministry leaders across the conference.

Mennonite Mission Network praises God for Alfonsina and José Oyanguren's two decades of ministry in the Argentine Chaco and for the exciting audio and visual ministries they are developing. Pray for the Christian radio programs, which help the Toba-Qom people better understand the biblical message, and for the impact that the Jesus Film is having in communities in the Chaco.

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April 21, 2024



Opening song: All Things Bright and Beautiful VT 177

Welcome, introductions and announcements

Meditative music

There's a Wild Hope in the Wind VT 828

Touch the Earth Lightly VT 145

The Creation Story: Turtle Island

For the Beauty of the Earth VT 120

Offering

Children's time Janice Regier

Scripture Job 12:7-10

Message Pastor Shana Green
Care for the Creation

Sharing and praying together *O God, hear us*

Sending song: Sing a New World Into Being VT 809

Benediction Pastor Shana Green

Contributions April 14: General Fund: \$339 Sharing Fund: \$300
Preschool Tuition Assistance: 672

	<u>April 21</u>	<u>April 28</u>
Worship leader	Elizabeth E & Shana G	Anthony H
Speaker	Pastor Shana G	Chuck N
Song leader	Chuck N	Krista M
Musicians	Bonnie N & Michelle V	Rhonda H
Children's time	Janice R	
Audio & video	Rich S & Aaron R	George K & Galen M
A / V runner	Ruth M	Mona K
Childcare	Emily B & Brenda M	Olivia E & Norm L
Care of building		John M & Krista M

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

Workday: The Hurst's small group is hosting a workday on Sat., April 27 from 9:00 am until finished. Morning doughnuts and pizza lunch will be provided. There will be tasks for all ages and skill levels including window washing, yard work, moving a few heavier items, and more TBD. If you have questions, please contact Becky Miller or another member of Hurst's small group: Galen, Marv, Ruth P., Melodie, Jim, or Jean.

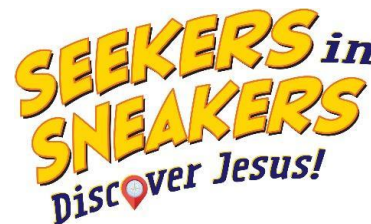
Our next **Breakfast Potluck** will be on April 28 at 9:30 am.

Chuck Neufeld will be preaching on April 28. His scripture text will be John 15:1-17 and his sermon title will be "What does *"abiding in Christ"* mean anyway?"

Church mailbox: Have you checked your church mailbox lately? You might be missing out on important information or maybe just dust!!

NCFC Book Club: Our next book is *Emergent Strategy: Shaping Change, Changing Worlds* by Adrienne Maree Brown. We won't meet in April so you will have time to start reading. We will meet Wednesday, May 29 and discuss pages 1-66. There are a few copies at the Newton library, if you need assistance getting a personal copy, let Pastor Shana know.

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.



VBS is coming up! Newton Mennonite Vacation Bible School will meet at Shalom Mennonite Church, 5:30-7:30pm, May 28-31. VBS is open to all students from age 4 to grade 4, and we also need adult, high school, and junior high volunteers! To register students, visit bit.ly/newtonvbsskids and to register as a volunteer, please visit bit.ly/newtonvbssvols.

Camp Mennoscah: It is time to register for summer camps. If youth are interested in attending, the church will pay 1/2 the camp fee. If a family is not able to contribute the other 1/2 of the fee, then a sharing fund request can be submitted. Register on-line at campmennoscah.org. The theme for the summer is *Linked By Love* and looks at how God's love teaches us about faith and commitment. [Register online!](#)

Mennonite Disaster Service: The April edition of *On the Level* is now available from MDS. In our current issue: Kevin King shares a truly uplifting story of MDS work in Maryland, volunteers are transforming lives in Mississippi, and long-time project in Jennings, Louisiana comes to a close. Plus, check out the volunteer opportunities for this summer and fall. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3UjUriu>

Sister Frieda: On April 26 at 7 pm, the Warkentin House Museum will present a historical portrayal of Sister Frieda Kauffman, presented by Donna Becker. Sister Frieda was the charge sister of the Bethel Deaconess Home and Hospital. New Creation Fellowship Church now occupies what was known as Sister Frieda's Chapel. The presentation, which includes dessert, is a fundraiser for the Warkentin House Museum and is an opportunity to learn about our congregation's connection to local history and the broader cause of health equity in the Mennonite church. Check out the WHM website or Facebook page to purchase the \$15 tickets.

