

New Creation Fellowship Church

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Lectionary Text for Aug 16:

Genesis 45:1-15	Isaiah 56:1, 6-8	Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32	Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28
Psalm 133	Psalm 67		

Offering: August 3-7

General: \$1010 Sharing Fund: \$200 Preschool Fund: \$35.39

The 2020 issue of **Mennonite Life**, Bethel College's online journal, is live at ml.bethelks.edu, with articles and reviews by Alain Epp Weaver, Ben Nobbs-Thiessen, Ben Woodward-Breckbill, Cheryl Denise, Christopher Reed, Emma Beachy, Jason Schmidt, Joanne Lehman, Joyce Zuercher, Julia Kasdorf, Keith Sprunger, Lisa Schirch, Marc Gopin, Melanie Zuercher and Raylene Hinz-Penner.

Racial Justice from the US to Palestine: The WDC Israel-Palestine Task Force invites you to a virtual conversation on racial justice. Palestinians Alex Awad and Jonathan Kuttub join US citizen Sarah Nahar. They'll share their own experiences of injustice and hope and discuss the similarities in both contexts. Join us for this free live event on WDC's Facebook page on Sept. 21, 7 pm. You're welcome to donate to WDC at: mennowdc.org.

Speaker: Pastor Derrick Ramer

Sermon: *The Dreamer*

Scripture: Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28

Empty Lot on Pine Street: The New Hope Board has approved the transfer of the land to NCFC. They have begun to look at next steps to make this happen.

2019-2020 Year End Report: Due to your generous giving for the fiscal year, which ended June 30, we ended with donations over budget of \$518. It has been our practice to give away contributions over budget to charitable causes. It was decided to give the money to the preschool this year. There was also a \$3,672 surplus which was put into the reserve fund. The remaining maintenance budget balance was transferred to the capital fund. Thanks again for your faithfulness in giving to the ministries of our church.

Please remember the community outreach **Sharing Box** at the church. Items in the box come and go daily. Here are some ideas of things to place in the box:

- Tuna
- Pasta
- Canned veggies
- Peanut butter
- Rice
- Mac & cheese
- Deodorant
- Feminine pads
- Masks
- Toilet tissue
- Lotion
- Toothpaste

Feel free to drop off or take items anytime. Let us pray for both the givers and the receivers.



Everence will host a *Social Security and retirement income planning* webinar, on Tuesday, August 11 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about Social Security strategies, risks that can impact retirement savings and strategies to help income last throughout retirement. The workshop is free. Register soon by contacting our office at 316-283-3800 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Men and Boys Retreat has been canceled for 2020. Men and boys (with adult supervision) and families are invited to contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 about overnight stays or day visits. We'll see you soon!

Service Adventure has open spots for the 2020-2021 term beginning this fall. If you are interested in taking a gap year to serve, live in community, and grow spiritually, contact SusanN@MennoniteMission.net or apply online at MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure.

Learning opportunities from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary:

Deepen your understanding of Anabaptism through six-week, online short courses from AMBS! Explore Anabaptist history, theology, current practice, commitment to peacemaking, approaches to scripture, and how to transform congregational conflict and communication. These non-credit courses feature optional weekly Zoom conversations with professors along with readings and written discussion forums. No papers and no grades! Sign up for individual courses or for the "short course bundle" at ambs.edu/shortcourses.

Prepare to lead worship and singing drawing on the vast resources of the *Voices Together* hymnal through two new AMBS online short courses-- one for worship planners and leaders and one for song leaders. Both courses will feature guest instructors Katie Graber and Anneli Loepp Thiessen. Sign up at ambs.edu/shortcourses.

Grow your leadership skills and deepen your faith through Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program. This three-year, part-time program includes mentoring, an introduction to Anabaptist leadership and theology, and skill-building and character formation opportunities. This year, the required Weekend Learning Event will happen in Zoom, making the entire program accessible from home. The application deadline for Journey is August 11. For more information, see <https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/journey-missional-leadership-development>