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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: As a new school begins, pray for wisdom for Sunday school coordinators, teachers, youth sponsors and mentors who guide faith formation for children, youth and adults in WDC congregations.

Mennonite Mission Network: Join Naomi Leary, MMN's regional co-administrator for North America, as she praises God for renewed vigor in service programs across eight locations in the United States. After two years of decreased participation, due to the pandemic, the number of participants has doubled since last year. Pray for the 16 Mennonite Voluntary Service participants and the 19 Service Adventure participants — 12 youth and seven unit leaders.

Prelude

Opening Song: What a Fellowship VT 160

Welcome and Announcements..... Anthony Horsch

Call to Worship..... Anthony Horsch

Music for Meditation Chuck & Bonnie Neufeld

Songs of Reflection

How Firm a Foundation..... VT 592

I want to walk with you, Jesus..... Screen

Be Thou My Vision..... VT 549

Offering

Time with Children Kristin Neufeld Epp

Scripture..... John 8: 23-32

Teaching Anne Regier
My Childhood Without a Named God

Celebrating Life Together Response: "O God, hear us"

Praying Together

Closing Song: Carry your Candle.....screen

Benediction

Contributions – Aug 7 - 10

General Fund: \$4348 Elevator Fund: \$300 Sharing Fund: \$216

	<u>Aug 14</u>	<u>Aug 21</u>
Worship leader	Anthony H	?
Song leader	Chuck N	Ruth M
Musicians	Bonnie N	Rhonda H & Michelle V
Sound & video	Aaron V & Aaron R	George K & Aaron V
Children's time	Kristin NE	Libby B
Speaker	Anne R	Rebecca BF
Care of building	Ian GG & Megan T	John & Krista M

Lectionary Text – Aug 21[Jeremiah 1:4-10](#)[Isaiah 58:9b-14](#)[Hebrews](#)[Luke](#)[Psalm 71:1-6](#)[Psalm 103:1-8](#)[12:18-29](#)[13:10-17](#)

Fellowship Breakfast: Join us for a potluck fellowship breakfast on Sunday, August 21 at 9:30 in the pavilion.

Please bring lawn chairs and a dish to share. Coffee and paper goods will be provided, or you may bring your own plates and utensils if you prefer.



Out of Office: Brenda will be out of the church office from August 19 through the 26th. She will be checking emails occasionally and she will complete the Sunday Aug 28th bulletin when she returns, so it might be emailed on Saturday instead of the usual Friday.

Puzzling Passages: Today is the first Sunday of our new fall series. We are examining passages of Scripture that puzzle us--ones that we've never understood, that confound us, or that intrigue us. Some are passages that we suspect have been abused or that have been weaponized against us or people we love. We are examining or re-examining Scriptures that don't seem to align with what we know about God or our work of reconciliation in a world loved by God. We've chosen these Scriptures together, based on our own interests and questions and needs. We trust that, discerning together, we can find our way into and through difficult passages.

Youth Groups: New Creation and Shalom have pooled resources for youth groups. Carla and Carmina (from New Creation) are helping with Jr Youth while Oris and Ben (from Shalom) are helping with high school youth. We still need help. Would you be interested in the following, contact Carmina Suter (txt: 316-288-9188, email: carminasuter@gmail.com)

- Youth group Sponsor (junior and high school)
- Helping to plan junior youth activities for spring
- Bringing and leading a topic of your choice with the jr youth or high school youth

Western District Women in Mission Announcement: Women and Girls Retreat is Sept. 10-11 at Camp Mennoscah. The theme is: *Women's Voices*. Girls in Grade 5 and up are also invited to come, although there will not be any separate programming for them. The Retreat Brochure and Registration Form are on the bulletin board at the back of the sanctuary. Deadline for registration is August 31. Contact Darlene Powers, dpowers11@cox.net for questions or more information. Come have a fun and relaxing weekend!

Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (AIMM), a partner of Mennonite Mission Network, will host a gathering to share ministry updates on Sunday, August 21, at 6:30 p.m. at First Mennonite Church, 429 E. 1st Street, Newton, KS. Co-executive Coordinator John Fumana and his wife Lucie from Democratic Republic of Congo are planning to be present. For more information contact aimm@aimmint.org or 574-535-0077.

