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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: Please pray for emerging congregations as the Spirit draws them together to be of one mind and heart to do the will of the Lord.
 -WDC Church Planting Commission

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Bekah York in her work with the Colombia Mennonite Church and Justapaz, the church's peacebuilding organization. May God grant Bekah wisdom, energy and contagious hope for her ministries.

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Aug 27, 2023



Piano Prelude: Eternal Light, Shine in My Heart.....VT 554
 Opening song: Could It Be That God Is Singing?VT 42
 Welcome and announcements Megan Thompson
 Meditative music: Healing River of the SpiritVT 642
 How Many Times We Start Again?VT 553
 When the Storms of Life are Raging.....VT 595
 Love the Lord Your GodVT 288
 Offering
 Children's time..... Kristin Neufeld Epp
 Scripture Matthew 14:22-33
 Sermon Renee Reimer
 Sharing and praying together "O God, hear us"
 Sending song: Precious Lord, Take My HandVT 610
 Benediction..... Renee Reimer

Contributions Aug 20: General Fund: \$1427
 College Scholarship Fund: \$75
 Preschool Tuition Assistance Fund: \$500
 Preschool Fund: \$200

	<u>Aug 27</u>	<u>Sept 3</u>
Worship leader	Megan T	Audrey R
Song leader	Vicki L	Vicki L
Musicians	Ian GG	Rhonda H & Michelle V
Sound & video	George K & Aaron R	?
Children's time	Kristin NE	?
Speaker	Renee R	Pastor Shana G
Care of building	Andy B & Neufeld's	Ian GG & Megan T
Childcare	Emily B & Kelven M	Oliva E & Brenda M
Communion	n/a	Marvin, Chuck, ? & ?

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.

Youth Group: New Creation/Shalom youth activities will be on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 pm. (Please note the change in time from last year). This will line up with the elementary school activity and adult book study (*Stories* by John Roth, a tour of Anabaptist history) happening at Shalom. Everyone is welcome to attend these activities and come to the 6:00 meal beginning in September! On August 30 the youth will be cleaning up the New Creation playground for the new Preschool year!

Pastor Shana's Sabbath days are Monday and Friday. They will be in Newton on Tuesdays and Thursdays and working remotely from Wichita on Wednesdays. If you need pastoral care on a day that Pastor Shana is not in Newton, please call, email, or text.

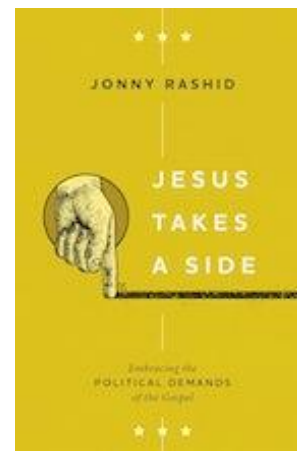
Shiny floors: No, that isn't water spilled on the basement floor - it's the shine of a freshly stripped and waxed floor. The floors are ready for the preschool year and for our 50th anniversary celebration in October.

Recipes wanted: If you would like a few of your family's favorite recipes included in our NCFC collection, this is the time to do it. Please place them in the marked basket at the back of church or email them to Bonnie N this week at bonnieneufeld@sbcglobal.net

NCFC 50th Anniversary Weekend Countdown: SIX weeks away! Mona and Kristin are narrowing down details for Oct. 7 & 8. Please help to host that weekend by giving a bit of time and talents. There is a sign-up sheet at the back and the same has been sent out via church wide email. We are grateful to those who have already volunteered! Most of the help still needed is for just 30-90 minute blocks, so that everyone (including the planners) can still have plenty of time to enjoy interacting with and hearing stories from those who are returning to NCFC to join us in celebrating together. Contact Mona with questions.

Childcare: We provide childcare after Children's Time for children kindergarten and under. We are pleased to have three new workers, Emily Brandt, Oliva Entz and Jair Hair. Emily is studying social work major at Bethel College. She did her practicum in the New Creation Preschool classroom. So, the preschoolers already know her. Oliva and Jair are teenagers in our congregation! We are grateful for these helping hands and we still could use a couple more volunteers, let Brenda know if you are interested.

Treasurer update: THANK YOU to Krista Murray who has volunteered to be the new church treasurer. Krista has been released from her role on congregational care team in order to focus on treasurer duties. Rodney will continue as treasurer (in regards to financial transactions, reimbursement requests, etc.) through the month of August. In September, Krista will take full responsibility. THANK YOU to Rodney for all his years as treasurer and for helping with the transition.-administrative team (Michelle, George and Megan)



Book study: Join Pastor Shana on a journey of faith formation and fellowship in a new virtual, every other week, small group gathering beginning Wednesday, September 20th at 6pm. We will begin with a book study and read *Jesus Takes a Side* by Jonny Rashid. If you need assistance getting the book, let Pastor Shana know! To sign up text, email or let Pastor Shana know in person.

