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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: We are called as Jesus's followers to share our experience as God's people and the transformative work of the gospel of Jesus in our lives. We pray for church plants and congregations exploring partnerships to do missions together in Western District Conference.
-WDC Church Planting Commission

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for a couple who has spent decades ministering in the Middle East, where they are part of a media team that works at "transforming lives with unstoppable hope." Pray for them and the 16 full-time animators; multiple trainers, who help people share the good news with their neighbors; and a social media team of three Arabic women, who address issues like human trafficking and child brides.

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September 24, 2023

Celebration of Congregational Leadership

Gathering song: God of the Bible VT 420
Welcome and announcements John Murray
Meditative music: Taste and See VT 467
Call to Worship John Murray
Changes screen
Almighty God HOS 142 / screen
Children's time Kristin Neufeld Epp

Celebrating the gifts of interim leaders

Recognition of Renee and Mitchby Admin Team
Recognition of Audrey by Congregational Care Team
Offering

Celebrating the work of the search committee

Sharing from the Search Committee

Celebrating the installation of Pastor Shana

Installation of Pastor Shana Green.....Heidi Regier Kreider
Response..... Pastor Shana Green
Response of the congregation..... by LCRT
Great is Thy Faithfulness VT 419
Sharing together *O God, hear us*
Prayer
Closing song: Love will Guide Usscreen
Benediction Pastor Shana Green

Contributions Sept 17: General Fund: \$ 152
Nancy Jensen Sharing Fund: \$675

	<u>Sept 24</u>	<u>Oct 1</u>
Worship leader	John M	Pastor Shana G
Song leader	Vicki L	Krista M
Musicians	Krista M & Aaron R	Rhonda H
Sound & video	George K & Galen M	Jair H & Aaron R
Children's time	Kristin NE	?
Speaker	n/a	Miller family, Weber family and Ian Long Sr
Care of building	Mays	Miller
Childcare	Emily B & Kelven M	Norm & Emily B
Communion	n/a	Audrey R, Andy B, Steve M and ?

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.

On October 1st we will continue our reflection on each decade the NCFC 50-year history. The Miller family will share from the 2000's, the Weber family will share from the 2010's and Ian Long Sr will share from the 2020's.

Books: There is a copy of Nancy Jensen's book, The Girl Who Cried "Wolf" at the back of the sanctuary. There are also copies of A Very Private Residence, Unlocking the Secrets of Kaufman House by Cathy Conrad. Feel free to borrow these books.

NCFC 50th Anniversary Weekend Countdown: Just 2 weeks away!

We are very grateful to all of those who have volunteered to help with hosting the estimated 110 people who are planning to come from near and far to celebrate God's grace and the history of this church. ***If you have not yet responded that you will be participating in all or part of the **Oct. 7 (4:00 - 7:00 or later) and Oct. 8 (9:30 -1:30) activities**, please do so by **Monday, Sept. 25**. Use the NCFC Facebook page, or visit with, email, or text Kristin or Mona. ***. We especially need to know if large family groups will be coming for meals.

A/V Fund: We have received \$3000 towards our \$10,000 goal to move forward with the audio/visual system upgrades. This project is key to making our worship services accessible to those with hearing impairments, and also accessible online to others who are unable to join us in the sanctuary on Sunday mornings. Please consider an above budget gift to this fund before our fund-raising deadline of October 9. If you are willing to contribute, you can put a check in the offering plate, designated in the "memo" line as "A/V Fund", mail a check to the church, with the same designation, or email George (jpkrivins@me.com) with your intention. Thank you!

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church celebrates this morning with New Creation on the installation of its new pastor. Shana is a member of LAMC. We hope she will be a blessing to you as she has been to us.

Erosion control and digging requests: On Monday, September 25, please do not park along the north side of the church building and/or west of the Muse Street driveway between 8:00-11:00 AM. Heavy equipment and material unloading will make that a busy area. Holes will be dug in preparation for planting trees, and fill material will also be delivered and spread all morning. People who are free to help during any of that time would be welcomed. Please show up with gloves, shovels, and/or short tined rakes. Contact Mona at 316-288-3757 with questions.

Commemorative trees: For any who have interest in helping with the planting of the 5 oak trees to celebrate the 5 decades of New Creation Fellowship, please contact Kathy Landis directly by phone or text at 316-217-1129. She will see if times can be worked out between Sept. 25 - Oct. 2 for individuals or families to plant one or more trees. The holes for those will already be prepared for planting, as noted in previous announcement. Also, the trees will need some extra care throughout the month of October. If you are interested in watering them, please let Kathy know so she can create a watering schedule for that month.

Open to new participants: Healing & Hope, a confidential group of women supporting each other after experiencing betrayal trauma (a spouse or partner's use of pornography, affair, or sexual addiction). Bimonthly meetings are held via Zoom and will begin again in mid-October. This group is hosted by First Mennonite Church, Newton and facilitated by Audrey Ratzlaff, M.Div. Contact Audrey at aaratzlaff@yahoo.com or 316-619-4580 for more info.

KMRS Quilters Sale: Oct. 13-14, Friday 9-5 and Sat 9-3, at MCC, 121 E. 30th Street, North Newton. There will be lots of great quilt-related items available for purchase with all the proceeds going to the work of MCC.

