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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: Give thanks for the WDC Resource Library, and pray for congregations, members and leaders to experience growth in faith and ministry through use of library materials.

Mennonite Mission Network: Deb Byler has concluded her MMN ministry with the Kekchi Mennonite Church in Guatemala, where she worked since 2018. (Previously, she served with Eastern Mennonite Missions from 1984-1996.) Praise God for Deb's ministry of walking alongside the women leaders of the church. Ask God to strengthen the Kekchi women, and pray for Deb as she retires at Greencroft Communities, a retirement community in Goshen, Indiana.

New Creation Fellowship Church October 15-16, 2022

Retreat

Saturday

2:30 pm Bring a chair for an outdoor Hymn Sing.

3-4:30 pm The Pastoral Search Committee will lead us in group discussion and activity. You have received other emails with the documents to review and/or complete in preparation for this time.

4:30-5ish pm Planting Tree seeds/seedlings...If you have tree seedlings that have started in your yard, garden, or flower bed, bring them to be planted. Bring tree seeds (acorns, maple seeds, or other tree seeds) and pots. Some seeds will be planted in pots; others in a small tree nursery bed at NCFC. We will hope and wait to see what sprouts by spring! There may also be time before and after supper for yard games.

5 pm Potluck supper: *Soups, salads/relishes, and pie!* Please bring one or two of those foods to share. Crockpots can be plugged in inside the church (upstairs or down) earlier in the day. Bring your own soup bowl and other tableware, if you wish, or use paper goods provided. Forks and spoons provided. Water and lemonade available. Bring a travel mug!

Campfire If you'd like S'mores around the campfire, please bring Campfire forks and S'mores supplies.

Sunday

9:30 am Circle Sharing time, Reflect on these questions: What are you thankful for in the past year? What are the challenges you face in the coming year? Try to keep your sharing time to 3 minutes so we can hear from everyone.

There will be finger food snacks and coffee, hot tea, cocoa, and water provided. Please bring your chair and travel mug. We are planning to sit outdoors in/around the pavilion. Dress accordingly and bring blankets, if needed.

Contributions Oct 9-12: General Fund: \$3777

	<u>Oct 16 Retreat</u>	<u>Oct 23</u>
Worship leader	Audrey R	Megan T
Song leader	Vicki	Chuck N
Musicians	Krista	Bonnie N
Sound & video	?	George & ?
Children's time	n/a	Kristin NE
Speaker	Circle sharing	Renee R
Care of building	Norm & Vicki L	Rhonda & Anthony H

Lectionary Text – Oct 23

Joel 2:23-32	Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22	2 Timothy	Luke
Psalm 65	Psalm 84:1-7	4:6-8, 16-18	18:9-14

Intergenerational Sunday School - October 23 at 9:15 in the Pavilion

SHOW AND TELL WITH A TWIST!

We will be having a Silent Auction Fundraiser for the Youth Group. There are three ways to participate:

1. BRING SOMETHING TO DONATE: This can be something you've made (food, art, etc), a coupon for something (meal for 4, 2 hours childcare, etc), an item or collection of items (used or new).
2. BRING MONEY TO PURCHASE ITEMS: All funds will go to the Youth Group for them to use for future trips. We will make sure to have a table of items limited to under \$1 for those who want a little something (tiny toys, single cookies, pencils, etc).
3. BRING YOURSELF: We will treat this like Show and Tell to hear from each other about items brought. After hearing about the items, we will mill around and bid/purchase items. Any unclaimed items will be brought into the church, photographed and shared via email so folks who didn't attend Sunday School can have a chance to purchase (perishable items stored in fridge/freezer).

Questions? See Kristin or anyone on Congregational Care Team
This is a fundraiser for the Shalom/New Creation Senior High Youth Group (Shawna and Oliva are regular participants). The funds will go toward trips. They are hoping to go on a Mennonite College visit sometime this year and the MCUSA convention next summer.

Church Janitor: Are you or someone you know looking for a job for few hours per week? We are looking to hire a person(s) to clean the church. We are grateful for Shawna and the Hurst family for providing cleaning services for over a year. Shawna is getting busier with her senior year in high school and will be stepping away from the janitor job. Please talk to Brenda if you have questions about the janitor job duties.

Western District Women in Mission invites you to join a virtual "Book Shelfies with Bethany" hour on Tuesday, October 25 from 7-8 p.m. Bethany Martin, Manager at Faith & Life Bookstore, will present book reviews to add to your reading list as you settle in with good books during the winter months or think about gifts for Christmas. To register and receive a Zoom link, e-mail westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com. Registration deadline is October 24.

WDC Resource Library Book Discussion: Author Rohadi Nagassar brings the margins to the center to help readers rediscover a reality of love through the journey of deconstructing, decolonizing, and reclaiming faith. Join us to explore Nagassar's book: *When We Belong: Reclaiming Christianity on the Margins* both in-person (masks suggested) and via Zoom on Thursday, October 27 at 7:00pm. Register by emailing crilib@mennowdc.org. Contact the library to borrow a copy of the book.

Everence will hold the popular Social Security and retirement income workshop at its office in North Newton on Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. The workshop will cover, Social Security strategies including when to begin taking benefits, strategies to help your retirement income last, and risks that can impact your retirement savings. The in-person workshop will be held at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B. Those interested in attending should contact the office 316-283-3800 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Bel Canto Singers present: God Is Love on Oct. 18, 7 p.m., at Whitestone Mennonite Church. The Bel Canto Singers are heading to Colorado this fall to sing at the Rocky Mountain Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Relief Sale. See our complete itinerary online and join us for our home concert with special guests: Dr. Carren Moham, soprano; Dr. Holly Swartzendruber, soprano; and Moundridge High School Mixed Chorus, directed by Daniel Chisham. Info and livestream at www.hesston.edu/music

Job Opening: Program Assistant at Central Kansas Community Foundation. For more details: [Click Here](#)

