

New Creation Fellowship Church

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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.

Lectionary text for Nov 7:

[Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17](#)

[1 Kings 17:8-16](#)

[Hebrews](#)

[Mark](#)

[Psalm 127](#)

[Psalm 146](#)

[9:24-28](#)

[12:38-44](#)

Offering for Oct 23-29

General:\$795 Youth Fundraiser:\$20 Preschool Fund:\$37.27 Retreat:\$531

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the generous financial gifts and prayers of WDC congregations and members to support conference ministries of sustaining ministers, resourcing congregations and encouraging church planting.

Mennonite Mission Network: Jaden Hostetter, who is serving with MMN and VMissions, has started a ceramic studio for refugees who have been welcomed by the Quito Mennonite Church in Ecuador. Pray that, through creating art, participants will find a space of healing and a place to build community.

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October 31, 2021

Speaker: Pastor Derrick Ramer

Sermon title: *Walking with Grief*

Scripture: Ruth 1:1-18

The next **Congregational Meeting** will be Sunday November 7 at 9:00 am. We will be testing consensus on the proposed changes to the Safe Sanctuary policy from the October meeting, except the Mentor Policy which needs more conversation. We will consider the Mentor Policy in 2022.

Photo Directory: Michelle R will be available to take photos for our church photo directory after church today. If you are new or would like an updated photo for the photo directory wall just outside the sanctuary, see Michelle R.

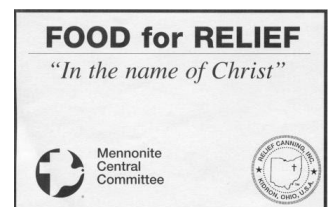


Advent begins Sunday, Nov. 28. We would like to again share seasonal daily "reflections" through congregational email. The Advent theme this year is

"Dare to Imagine," with weekly themes focusing on God's goodness, God's embrace, God's song, God's face, God's robe, and God's dance. If any of these spark memories or ideas for stories or art, please contact Audrey Ratzlaff to add your name to the list! If you have a reflection you'd like to share that doesn't relate to the theme, that's great, too! All are welcome, regardless of age and artistic ability! Contact Audrey at aaratzlaff@yahoo.com or 316-619-4580.

Leadership Team nominations: An email was sent out this week with the link to complete your nominations using Google Forms. Please complete your nominations by **Monday, November 8**. The Leadership Team will announce the new team members in December. Thank you for prayerfully considering your nominations.

MCC Meat Canning: Newton is signed up for November 16 & 17 this year. If you'd like to help with Meat Canning, please sign up through Signup Genius at <https://tinyurl.com/MeatCanning2021>. You will see the Covid precautions listed at the same link.



The “Voices Together” art exhibit, a display of the original artwork featured in the new *Voices Together* hymnal, opens Fri., Oct. 29 in the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays and 2-4 p.m. on Sunday.

NEW Seek discipleship program for young adults: Seek is a new six-month intentional discipleship program from MCC which encourages young adults (18-20 years of age) to learn more deeply what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Jesus. The program will include multiple discipleship and service opportunities with MCC partners in Palestine and Israel and Jordan. The Seek program begins in January 2022 and takes place in Palestine and Israel. To learn more and apply for the Seek program, visit mcc.org/seek.

SALT applications are now open! Are you interested in learning a new language, visiting a new country, and joining a new community abroad? SALT applications are now open! Through SALT (young adults age 18-30), practice your skills in education, peace building, agriculture, community health care and more while connecting with the global Anabaptist community of faith. For more information, visit mcc.org/SALT or contact Abby Endashaw, Young Adult Programs Coordinator at MCC Central States abbyendashaw@mcc.org.