

## 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 21:

<a href="#">2 Samuel 23:1-7</a>	<a href="#">Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14</a>	<a href="#">Revelation 1:4b-8</a>	<a href="#">John 18:33-37</a>
<a href="#">Psalm 132:1-12, (13-18)</a>	<a href="#">Psalm 93</a>		

### Offering for Nov 7-12

General: \$3895 Sharing Fund: \$30

**Western District Conference:** Give thanks for WDC's online book discussion this Thursday, focusing on *The Land is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery*, and pray for wisdom as we reckon with the legacy that continues to have devastating effects on Indigenous Peoples around the globe.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Severe funding cuts are hampering the functions of Kalonda Bible Institute, where many Mennonite church leaders

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### November 14, 2021

**Speaker:** Gordon Houser interviewing Aaron Ratzlaff

**Sermon title:** *On the Journey*

**Scripture:** Romans 12: 3-13

Pastor Derrick will be on vacation from Sat, Nov 20 until Sat Nov 27. If you have pastoral concerns during this time, please contact someone on the Congregational Care Team (Becky, Krista or Norm).



### Christmas Baskets for Heartland Supports and

**Muse Apartments:** We are seeking donations of items such as hats, socks, cookies and other similar items and treats to be given to our church neighbors for Christmas. This is a great opportunity if you like to knit or crochet. Look for a box in the back of the sanctuary next week to drop off donations.

- from Megan T. on behalf of the Advent Committee

**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](mailto:aaratzlaff@yahoo.com) or 316-619-4580.



**Advent Church photo directory:** Last year you may remember, we had a church photo directory for Advent. This year, we plan to email you an updated directory. If you are new or if you would like an updated picture, please send it to Brenda at [nfcoffice.assistant@gmail.com](mailto:nfcoffice.assistant@gmail.com) by Monday, Nov. 15.



On the nomination form for the **Leadership Teams**, Christy Schunn-Sebes' end date for her term was incorrect. She will complete her 5-year term on the Leadership and Congregation Relations Team in December of 2024.

are trained in Congo. MMN requests prayer for the professors and their families, who have lost their incomes, and for Bercy Mundedi, the director, who has an ardent desire to see the next generation of church leaders prepared for God's work

  
Congratulations!

New Creation Preschool had its annual State survey this past week. Ms. Kristin works really hard to be ready and the surveyors check everything in these unannounced visits: from every child's file to the details of the volunteer orientation, from what the children drink water out of to our plans for a chemical leak, from continuing education hours to the temperature of the refrigerator, from attendance records to square footage of the classroom, from our discipline to on site to lesson plans.

**And, there were NO violations! Congratulations to Ms. Kristin and her helpers!**

The surveyors had so many positive things to say about the preschool and sent this text to Ms. Kristin. *Thank you very much for your time today. We cannot stress enough how blessed we were to observe the program and the organization of your files!*