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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:** Pray for chaplains and other ministers in WDC who offer pastoral care for members of our communities experiencing pain, loneliness, loss or grief, particularly during this holiday season.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Jonah and Memee Yang began serving with MMN in September. Pray for Jonah as he teaches Hmong and Thai students in Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Journey Program and for Memee as she offers Sister Care seminars. The Yangs live in Minnesota and will travel to Thailand twice each year.

## **New Creation Fellowship Church** November 26, 2023



Prelude

Advent gathering song: We Come.....VT 225

Welcome and announcements .....Audrey Ratzlaff

Breath prayers .....screen / inside bulletin

Mediative music

Advent candle lighting

Prayer (spoken, not sung) .....VT 143

Comfort, Comfort, O My People .....VT 212

Joyful Is the Dark.....VT 281

Helpless and Hungry .....VT 268

Offering

Children's time.....Audrey Ratzlaff

Scripture ..... Psalm 145

Sermon..... Pastor Shana Green  
*While We Wait*

Sharing and praying together ..... *O God, hear us*

Sending song: The Magnificat .....screen / HOS 328

Blessing

**Contributions Nov 12:** General Fund: \$860

	<u>Nov 26</u>	<u>Dec 3</u>
Worship leader	Audrey R	?
Speaker	Pastor Shana G	Pastor Shana G
Song leader	Vicki L	Krista M
Musicians	Rhonda H	Ian GG
Children's time	Audrey R	?
Sound & video	Andy B & Aaron R	George K & Aaron V
Care of building	Steve M & Ruth M	Miller family
Childcare	Olivia E & Brenda M	Emily B & Jair/Carla H
Communion	n/a	John M, Galen M, Marvin P and Chuck N

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.

**Scripture & Theme for December 3rd:** Pastor Shana continues the advent season with the message "The Weight of Waiting". The scripture will be Luke 15:11-32.

**Advent Windows:** Thank you to those who have "adopted" a windowsill for the Advent season (Elizabeth, Audrey, Becky, Shana, Megan, Brenda, Mona, Bonnie, Melodie and Leia's family).



*Inhale: I can see new life,  
Exhale: Even in the dark.*

*Inhale: I am free to not know.  
Exhale: God is enough.*

*Inhale: Together we wait;  
Exhale: God is with us in the waiting.*

**NCFC Family Events:** If you have a sporting event, musical concert, or artistic exhibition and would welcome attendance from our congregation, please send the details to Brenda. This is another opportunity to support and connect with each other beyond our Sunday morning gatherings and small groups.

Edel M	Senior Art Exhibit	Starting Fri Dec 1 Mon-Fri 9-5 Sun 2-4	Regier Art Gallery Luyken Fine Arts Center Bethel College
Aaron R	McPherson Community Brass Choir	Sun Dec 3 3:00 pm	St. Paul Lutheran Church 213 E Division Ave Peabody
Nadia R	Winter concert	Mon Dec 4 6:30pm	Peabody-Burns High School 810 N Sycamore St Peabody
Aaron R	McPherson Community Brass Choir	Sun Dec 10 7pm	Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church Goessel

**Singalong to Christmas portions of Handel's *Messiah*:** Wed., Dec. 6 at 11 a.m., with chamber orchestra and soloists, Bethel College Mennonite Church. Scores provided.

**37th annual Lighting of the Green:** Sun., Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. on the Bethel College campus.

You are invited to a **German Dinner** Saturday, December 2nd, 2023 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at First Mennonite Church of McPherson, 1161 E. Ave A. The menu will be veronika with ham gravy, sausage, green beans, bohne beroggi with cream sauce, homemade sauerkraut, zweiback, and cherry moos. There will be a free will donation.

**Peace Connections** invites you to drop by their open house celebrating 40 years on Nov 30, 6-8 pm at 209 S. Pine Street, Newton. Share smores and hot chocolate while hearing stories of past impact, current programs and the future story.



