

New Creation Fellowship Church

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SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages meets on Sundays at 9:30 am during the school year. (No Sunday school in December)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS are held monthly on the second Sunday of the month before worship. Childcare is provided. (Dec 9)

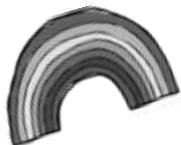
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP begins at **10:30 am**. Sunday Worship Services are available on CD and our website. Childcare for children not yet in kindergarten is provided in the basement after Children's Time.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL (potluck style) is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following worship. (Dec 9 and Dec 23)

YOUTH GROUP is open to youth in grades 6 through high school. We meet with the Shalom youth group on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm during the school year. For more information, contact sponsors, Jill or Carmina.

NEW CREATION PRESCHOOL

a non-profit outreach of New Creation Fellowship Church
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New Creation Fellowship Church December 9, 2018



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.

Opening Song: How firm a foundation - HWB 567
Welcome and announcements
Music for meditation

Songs of reflection:

When peace, like a river - HWB 336

The Magnificat (song of the month) - screen

Comfort, comfort, O my people - HWB 176

Offering

Time with the children: Aaron Voth

Scripture: Luke 1:67-79

Teaching: *Proclaiming*, Pastor Derrick Ramer

Celebrating life together (Response: *O Lord, hear us*)

Closing song: Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Benediction



LAST WEEK (Dec 2): Attendance: 64
Contributions: General \$5112
Preschool Fund \$300
Preschool Grant \$500
Sharing Fund \$260

TODAY (Dec 9):
Greeters: Jeanne Houser and Jude Oswald
Worship leader: Megan Thompson
Sound system: Garth Mock
Music: Vicki Lichti, Becky Miller, Pastor Derrick Ramer
Childcare: Steve Meyer and Keria Mock
Sunday care of the building: Brown and Meyer families

NEXT WEEK (Dec 16):
Greeters: Jennifer Esau and Edel Miller
Worship leader: Pastor Derrick Ramer
Sound system: George Krievins
Music: Ruth Meyer, Ian Gingrich-Gaylord and Michelle Voth
Children's time: Brenda Mays
Teaching: Miles Reimer
Childcare: Clark Baldwin and Edel Miller
Sunday care of the building: Penner, Minder and Ratzlaff families
Lectionary Text:

[Zephaniah 3:14-20](#)

[Isaiah 12:2-6](#)

[Philippians 4:4-7](#)

[Luke 3:7-18](#)

Please join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus at the NCFC annual **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** on December 16 at 6:00 pm. If you would like to be part of the Christmas program, please plan to attend the program practice on December 16 at 9:30 am with Kristin. Thank you Kristin for making this happen!!

After the program there will be a fellowship time. Thank you to the Miller family for coordinating the fellowship reception! **PLEASE bring snacks, treats, cookies or fruit to share.**

Top three things to know about the Christmas program:

1. Although we use the same scripture each year, the interpretation of the story by our children is always different! So, don't miss out this year!
2. Be on time! The program starts at 6:00 pm. If you come late you might miss it because the program is fairly short!
3. Fellowship time after the program can be delightful and there usually is an incredible spread of treats and snacks. See you there!



PRESCHOOL COOKIES: As is our tradition, we will provide cookies for our preschool families. Please bring homemade or store bought Christmas goodies to the church kitchen before **December 18**. We also provide gluten and peanut free cookies for a couple of our families. If you would like to provide GF/PF, please seal and mark them with ingredient list. Thank you very much!

CAROLING: Come join us TODAY for caroling from 6:00 - 7:30. We will gather at Carmina and Rodney's house (2 Sycamore Ct) and will carol in that neighborhood. Hot chocolate will be served. It will be fun!

FELLOWSHIP BREAK: Beginning Tuesday, Dec 11 you are invited to NCFC break at 10:00 am at the Newton Donut Shop, 1710 N Main Street. Take a break and come for a donut and coffee. Pastor Derrick will be there and all are welcome to join.

Wider church announcements

All are invited to **Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church**, Goessel, to hear Brass Christmas with the McPherson Community Brass Choir under the direction of Jerry Toews and the Goessel High School Elbiata Singers under the direction of Braden Unruh TODAY, December 9 at 7 pm.

You're invited to the annual **MCC Christmas Soiree** at MCC in North Newton on Thursday, December 13 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Join us for this holiday party to enjoy festive food and fellowship! We'll pause at 6 p.m. to hear from current and past MCC volunteers about Christmas experiences they've had around the world. Everyone is welcome for this come and go holiday event. MCC is located at 121 E. 30th in North Newton. Call us with questions, 316.283.2720.

This Christmas, consider giving alternative gifts through **Mennonite Central Committee!** With 25 ways to give, you can find something for everyone in your family! Give chickens, provide hope, education, tools and new skills to help build up communities. These are gifts that easily fit under the tree and can fit within any budget, but have the power to bring joy for years to come! Visit mcc.org/christmas or call 316.283.2720.

Camp Winter Wonderland Worship on Dec. 28 from 3-6pm! Join us for songs from evening worship at summer youth camps (praise and worship songs) at Camp Mennoscah in the Dining Hall. Enjoy classic 'Sunday' camp sandwiches, hot chocolate, time by the campfire/fireplace, and the warmth that comes from being surrounded by friends at camp! Also, TP the Christmas tree! We'll metaphorically TP our Christmas Tree with your donations of toilet paper or paper towels. Cash or checks for 4-square/gaga balls are welcome, too. RSVP to 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org by December 26 so we know how many sandwiches to fix and tell us about any food allergies.

