

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.

Prayer REQUESTS

Western District Conference: Pray for generous financial support for WDC and its congregations, to help meet ministry and budget goals for this year.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Orodara region, where many of Burkina Faso's Mennonites live. Foreign-sponsored guerilla fighters are making it difficult for people to go to work and for children to attend school. Pray for the Mennonites' peace witness, for the families of the more than 1,500 people who have died and for the more than 1.3 million displaced people in Burkina Faso.



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Dec. 12, 2021

Focus for the third week of Advent: Singing together causes great joy and jubilation. But, even more, our hearts exult and swell as we imagine God singing over us. Pull out the 'zine' card from your home Advent packet and display it to then contemplate or talk about God's song with your household this week. This week as we worship together, we open ourselves to the gift of music.

*Joy to the World -- Aaron Ratzlaff, trumpet;
Bonnie Neufeld, piano*

Meditative Music -- Chuck Neufeld, hammered dulcimer

Children's Story -- Rebecca Barrett-Fox

Scriptures -- Zephaniah 3:14-20; Philippians 4:4-7

*Song of God -- written by Lori Drier;
sung by Lori Drier and Shelly Huffman*

Oh, how Joyfully -- Bonnie and Chuck Neufeld

Pastor Derrick's Message: *Dare to imagine God's song!*

*Angels, We Have Heard on High -- Aaron Ratzlaff, trumpet;
Bonnie Neufeld, piano*

(Items in italics are pre-recorded)

Offering for Dec 5-10

General: \$3290 Sharing Fund: \$30

Today December 12th

Worship leader: Mona K

Care of the building: George & Mona K

Next Week, December 19th

Worship leader: Pastor Derrick R

Speaker: John M

Musician: Chuck N

Children's time: Rebecca BF

Care of the building: Norm & Vicki L

Lectionary text for December 19:

[Micah 5:2-5a](#)

[Luke 1:46b-55](#)

[Hebrews 10:5-10](#)

[Luke 1:39-45,](#)

[Psalm 80:1-7](#)

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Advent-Christmas-Epiphany Schedule of Events

SUNDAY, Dec. 12: 3rd Sunday of Advent, Dare to imagine God's song!

2-5pm Intergenerational activities in churchyard: art project, care packages and fellowship/singing

SUNDAY, Dec. 19: 4th Sunday of Advent, Dare to imagine God's face!

2-5pm Intergenerational activities in churchyard: art project, care packages and fellowship/singing

SUNDAY, Dec. 26: "Christmas Sunday," Dare to imagine God's robe!

SUNDAY, Jan. 2: Epiphany Sunday, Dare to imagine God's dance!



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. Look for boxes in the back of the sanctuary to drop off donations.



Baptism: Someone has expressed interest in baptism in the spring. Are there others who would also be interested in baptism? Please let Pastor Derrick know if you are interested in exploring this option.

Christmas Program Plan: We will air the Christmas Program video from 2020 on our church YouTube channel with take home supplies (to help create a cozy and festive atmosphere). **You are invited to pick up your household's bag on December 12 during church or the outdoor Intergenerational Art Experience from 2-5.** Included in the video are images from our church Christmas programs spanning the years 1987-2019. While we endure another year of waiting, may memories of the past give us hope for the future. See Kristin with any questions.



Intergenerational Art and Fellowship: TODAY, Dec. 12th from 2 to 5 pm. We will create an art project outside in the pavilion or along the fence that is meant to represent how our lives and stories are woven together. All are invited and feel free to bring materials such as paper, paint, yarn, fabric, feathers, small toys, and special items tied on string, stuff from nature, beads, knitted or crocheted ropes or anything else you can imagine.

Christmas Celebration at Camp! We're celebrating early! Everyone is welcome to come to Camp Mennoscah on Dec. 18 at 2:30pm for time together in faith and fellowship. Join us in the Dining Hall (or outside) for afternoon fun. Bring games to play indoors or out or use what camp has. Camp will provide popcorn, generic pop, and hot drinks. (Masks recommended and encouraged for inside activities.)

Driver Wanted: Department on Aging-Transportation Division, Minimum Starting Rate: \$13.07/HR, Part time position. Transports the general public, including seniors and persons with disabilities, from one location to another within Harvey County and the surrounding counties by means of KDOT mini-vans and small buses. Applicant must have a neat appearance, ability to follow instructions, and a valid Commercial Driver's License with passenger endorsement or willingness to obtain one within 6 months. Females and retirees are encouraged to apply. Applications are available in the Administration Office, Harvey County Courthouse, 800 N Main, Newton, KS or you may apply on-line at www.ksgovjobs.com.

