

New Creation Fellowship Church

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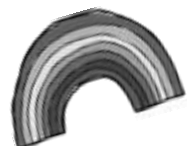
SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages meets on Sundays at 9:30 am during the school year. (No Sunday School in December)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS are held monthly on the second Sunday of the month before worship.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP begins at **10:30 am**. Recordings of our worship services are available on 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. (December 22)

YOUTH GROUP is open to youth in grades 6 through high school. They meet with the Shalom youth group on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm during the school year.



NEW CREATION PRESCHOOL

a non-profit outreach of New Creation Fellowship Church
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New Creation Fellowship Church

December 22, 2019



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.

Gathering song: O little town of Bethlehem HWB 191

Introductions and announcements

Meditative music and Advent candle lighting

Worship songs:

The virgin Mary had a baby boy HWB 202
Hark! The herald angels sing HWB 201
Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming HWB 211

Offering

Children's story: Rebecca Barrett-Fox

The journey to the manger: The birth of Jesus

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25

Teaching: *What's in a name?* Pastor Derrick Ramer

Sharing reflections, joys & concerns for prayer

(Response: *O God, hear us*)

Closing song: Love came down at Christmas HWB 208

Benediction

LAST WEEK (Dec 15): Attendance: 62
General Fund: \$1913
Preschool Tuition Assistance Fund: \$582
Capital Improv. new HVAC system: \$10,610.21

TODAY (December 22):
Greeters: Steve M and Mara O
Worship leader: Mona K
Sound system: George K
Music: Pastor Derrick R and Rhonda H
Childcare: Eliza E and Amy R
Care of the building: Houser, Mays and Voth families

NEXT WEEK (December 29):
Greeters: Luke H and Stephany M
Worship leader: Anthony H
Sound system: Galen M
Music: Gordon H, Bonnie N and Aaron R
Childcare: Bernard R and Ben M
Children's time: Rebecca BF
Teaching: Music Sunday with Anthony H
Care of the building: Meyer, Miller and Baumgartner families
Lectionary Text:

[Isaiah 63:7-9](#) [Psalm 148](#) [Hebrews 2:10-18](#) [Matthew 2:13-23](#)

NEW CREATION BREAK: Tues at 10:00 am at the Newton Donut Shop.

WDC LIBRARY BOOKS: We have a new box of books from Western District Resource Library on the counter at the back of the sanctuary. Feel free to check out books, read and return by February 21st.

Pastor Derrick will be on vacation visiting family in CA from December 27-January 4. If you have a pastoral care need, please contact someone from Congregation Care Team (Becky, Aaron R or Carmina).



and heat on, fills the basement with children's laughter and makes it possible to be an expression of the body of Christ. We encourage your prayerful consideration of your year-end contribution. Please remember that any charitable contributions you plan for the 2019 tax year should be made by Sunday December 29th. Thank you!

As you think about your 2019 end of the year giving, please consider your support for the ministry of New Creation Fellowship. Your financial support is what keeps the lights

Wider church announcements

Camp Mennoscah's dining hall has new windows thanks to the generous work of volunteers. The windows have already proven to make a big difference in heating the dining hall. Our Volunteer Christmas was warm and cozy--the only thing "missing" was the cold drafts of air! Thank you to everyone who has volunteered, given gifts, and supported the continuing improvements to the kitchen and dining hall!

The family band **Five Times Harder** will present a Christmas concert at 4 pm on December 22 at First Mennonite Church, 302 S Ash, Hillsboro. Their concerts feature an entertaining blend of voices and instruments, in bluegrass, folk, jazz, and classical styles. There is no admission fee; a freewill offering will be collected to benefit the ongoing work of MCC.

Thank you for your generous giving to **Mennonite Central Committee** in 2019. Your gifts help MCC continue work in 53 countries working on 648 projects and impacting countless people. If you're looking for a last minute Christmas gift keep MCC Christmas giving projects in mind or collect school kit supplies with your family (mcc.org/kits)! Check out mcc.org/christmas for online giving options. Contact our office in North Newton for giving in-person, 316.283.2720.

Boots, Buckets and Barrows: In partnership with Mennonite Disaster Service, Ted & Co. presents the original play "*The Jesus Stories: Faith, Forks & Fettuccine*", in conjunction with a unique auction of buckets filled with baked goods and home items, along with 'flash auctions' to fund the tools and volunteers MDS needs to help restore communities and rebuild homes ravaged by natural disaster. All proceeds benefit the continued work of MDS. Admission is free! Please come prepared to bid! Friday, January 31, 7 pm at Hesston Mennonite Church and Saturday, February 1, 7 pm at Journey Mennonite Church, South Hutchinson. Sponsored by Kansas MDS Unit, Hesston College Disaster Management Program, and Journey Mennonite South Hutchinson.



The Neuf Memorial Run: The Neuf 9K and 2 mile run returns to the campus of Bethel College on Jan. 11, 2020 to honor the memory of Russ Neufeld, a former MC USA and Hesston College employee. The race will start at 10 a.m. outside of Mojo's Coffee Shop on the campus of Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas. The Neuf will raise funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and the Russ Neufeld memorial scholarship at Hesston College. Register & read other details about the race at www.runtheneuf.neuf.ca. We would love to have you join us for this fun community event!

