



Newsletter

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Mennonite Church of the Servant
2401 N. Woodland
Wichita, KS 67204
www.mcswichita.net
Worship: Sundays, 10:00 a.m.
Jerry Truex, Teaching Minister



Lenten Bible Study: *The Book of Revelation* Wednesday, April 5, 7:00 p.m.

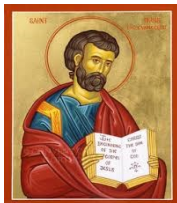
The final session in the Book of Revelation is Wednesday, April 5. The topic is New Heaven/New Earth (Rev 21-22)

Sharing Spiritual Pilgrimages, April 2

If you haven't had an opportunity to share your spiritual pilgrimage, consider staying after potluck on April 2. Small groups will be organized to share your pilgrimage and listen to 2 or 3 others.

Bible Study: Gospel of Mark

You are invited to participate in Bible Study, after worship every Sunday. Currently, the study group is focusing on the Gospel of Mark.



APRIL WORSHIP

April 2: Lent 5— *We breathe.*

Worship Leader: Doug

Teaching: Doug

Scripture: Ezekiel's Dry Bones/Raising of Lazarus

Communion

Focus on Mission: TBA



April 9: Lent 6— *Palm Sunday Stations of the Cross*

Worship Leaders: Vangie & Jerry

April 13: *Covenanting Service. 6:30 p.m.*

Worship Leader: Lois

Bring finger foods to share

April 16: *Easter—Restore us, O God, we live*

Worship Leader: Doug

Teaching: Jerry

Meditation: Janine

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10



April 23: *First Sunday after Easter*

Worship Leader: Geneva

Teaching: Pat

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Focus on Mission: TBA

April 30: *Second Sunday after Easter*

Worship Leader: Bret

Teaching: Jerry

Scripture: Luke 24 (Road to Emmaus)

Healing Prayer

Focus on Mission: TBA

MCS Tax Site Passes IRS Inspection with Flying Colors!

An IRS official came to inspect the AARP tax site at the church. The following is part of her review:

"I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to you and all the counselors at Mennonite Church AARP Tax Aide site for your participation and cooperation during a Field Site Visit (FSV) on March 18, 2017....

Congratulations! Based on the results of the Field Site Visit... the site has met all ten (100%) of the Quality Site Requirements.

The Mennonite Church AARP Tax Aide site is a first year site located in a LEP (limited English proficiency) community. They have two greeters and one is bi-lingual which really helps bridge the gap between the Spanish speaking taxpayers and the volunteers.... All the counselors were extremely pleasant, displaying profound dedication, commitment and a love for helping others."

Kimmer Parks Sr. Tax Consultant

MCC Relief Sale April 7-8

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is sponsored by Kansas Mennonite, Brethren in Christ and Amish Congregations as a fundraiser for the Mennonite Central Committee. The Relief Sale is an annual event in April at the Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson. It is the second largest event at the fairgrounds. It includes 5 different auctions, traditional Mennonite and American food booths, Kansas and fair trade crafts, plants and things, bulk cheese and meats, quilting supplies, baked goods, kid activities and more.

The Relief Sale is run by an all volunteer staff from the sale chair to board to committee members to help the weekend of the sale. Relief sales are organized throughout North America with 85% of all proceeds going to Mennonite Central Committee. The Kansas Sale annually strives to raise all expense money prior to the sale in order that the money raised the days of the sale can be donated to MCC.



Mennonite Disaster Service

Volunteers are needed to help clean up after the fires near Hutchinson and Ashland Kansas. Please contact Sally for more information if you have time to help.

Everence

Is there someone who models Christian Stewardship for you? Nominate them for the Everence Journey Award. Learn more at www.everence.com/journey-awards/

NAMI

NAMI Wichita announces a free 10-week class for adults living with mental illness, Peer-to-Peer Education Program. CLASS BEGINS THURSDAY, APRIL 20.

Your assistance is requested to make this information available to persons who may be interested and who can find the class helpful in their journey of living with mental illness....please forward this message to others you know: persons living with mental illness and their family members.

Thank you.
Treva Lichti , Education Coordinator, NAMI Wichita



Religious leaders are coming together, challenging each other to look beyond racial tolerance towards transformation. It is our goal to find a way to transform our community by respecting all God's people through truth and justice. To that end, religious leaders across our area are seeking to partner with congregations of differing color and culture.

Beyond Tolerance City-Wide Community Rally, Sunday April 30, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Duerksen Fine Arts Center, WSU

Join the growing number who want to Heal the Racial Divide! Wichita Leaders challenge us to live beyond tolerance. The Beyond Tolerance Community Choir will perform, plus the Mayor, civic leaders, religious leaders, business leaders, families, police, firemen and women, and educators will participate, all pledging to live beyond tolerance.

We can heal the racial divide on our watch by Pledging to Live Beyond Tolerance!

Pat's Birthday Gathering/Fundraiser April 8

You are invited to a come-and-go gathering on the eve of Pat's 65th birthday, Saturday, April 8, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the church. In lieu of gifts, you may give a donation to the church or to the Peace and Social Justice Center. A live jazz band will play and refreshments will be served. Please come!

April 2017 Calendar

All events are in the Mennonite Church of the Servant Building unless followed by an *. To schedule events, contact Geneva.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
April 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:00 Middle Schl SS 10:00 Worship (Communion)/Pre-Schl-K SS 11:45 Potluck/ Spiritual Pilg/Bible Study:		7:00 Aposento Alto Support Committee	7:00 Lenten Bible Study: Revelation	7:00 Worship Committee	Mennonite Relief Sale	9-2 Tax Aide Mennonite Relief Sale 7-9 Pat's B'day Gathering/Fund- raiser
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<i>Happy Birthday, Pat!</i> 10:00 Worship Pre- Schl-K SS 11:45 Bible Study 5:30 Aposento Alto Worship		1:30pm NT Greek *	7:00 Church Council	6:30 Covenanting Service	GOOD FRIDAY 2:00 Shepherds*	9-2 Tax Aide
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
EASTER <i>Happy Birtday, Cody Esau-Rutherford !</i> 9:00 Middle Schl SS 10:00 Worship/ Pre- Schl-K SS 11:45 Bible Study		1:30pm NT Greek *			<i>Happy Birthday, Kierra Montgom- ery!</i> 7:00 Kids' Movie Night: 'Inside Out'	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
<i>Happy Birthday, Jeanette Stucky!</i> 10:00 Worship/Pre- Schl-K SS 11:45 Church Life/ Bible Study		1:30pm NT Greek *	<i>Happy Birthday Alex Esau- Rutherford !</i>	<i>Happy Birthday, Warren Than- mithak!</i>		6:30 Women's Reading Group
30	May 1	2	3	4	5	6
10:00 Worship (Healing Prayer)/Pre- Schl-K SS 11:45 Bible Study		1:30pm NT Greek * 7:00 Aposento Alto Support Committee				9-2 Tax Aide