



Newsletter

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Mennonite Church of the Servant
2401 N. Woodland
Wichita, KS 67204
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Worship: Sundays, 10:00 a.m

Sunday Worship and Post-Worship events

Sabbatical

Jerry is on sabbatical leave June through August. For pastoral care needs during these months, please contact a shepherd, Lois or Pat.



Gift Discernment Aug 6th

The Shepherds ask that you plan to stay for 45 minutes after the Potluck for a gift discernment process. Rather than starting with church roles and tasks as we've done for the past several years, this year, we'll start with gifts out of which roles and tasks will be determined.

Individually, you will be invited to take a spiritual gift inventory and then meet briefly with 2 or 3 others to share and affirm the gifts identified in the inventory.

Those who will not be present on August 6 will have an opportunity on the following Sunday, August 13, to take the inventory and discuss it with others.

August 13 Film: *Emma Goldman: An Exceedingly Dangerous Woman*

This documentary is about an early feminist, anarchist and political activist. It will be shown after worship on Sunday, August 13.



August 6 (Ordinary Time)

10:00 a.m. Worship: *Topic TBA*

Worship Leader: Doug

Teaching: Lois

Communion

11:45 Potluck

12:30 Gift Discernment Inventory & Discussion

1:15 Bible Study



August 13 (Ordinary Time)

10:00 a.m. Worship: *Missional Bible Study*

Worship Leader: Doug

Teaching: Lois

Focus on Mission: West. Dist. Conference Assembly Report

11:15 Gift Discernment Surveys & Discussion (for those not present on August 6)

11:45 Film

12:30 Bible Study

August 20 (Ordinary Time)

10:00 a.m. Worship: *Topic TBA*

Worship Leader: Geneva

Teaching: Pat

11:45 Church Life

12:30 Bible Study

August 27 (Ordinary Time)

10:00 a.m. Worship: *from the Anabaptist Prayer Book*

Worship Leader: Doug

Healing Prayer

11:45 Bible Study

12:45 Women's Reading Group

MCC School Kits Deadline: August 31

August 31 is the deadline for donating items for MCC School Kits. So far, we have enough supplies for 21 complete school kits and 5 partial kits, as well as for 5 hygiene kits, 1 complete relief kit and a partial relief kit. Check with Sally to see what supplies are still needed for School kits. Relief kits will be the fall focus, with the goal of dedicating these kits on Christmas eve.



Peace Poetry August 17

People of Faith for Peace invites you to the "R" Coffee House (11th & Bitting) for an evening of poetry readings on peace themes by local poets, Come early if you want dinner; the poetry begins at 6:30 p.m.



CPT Nominated for Peace Prize

The American Friends Service Committee has announced their official nominee for the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize and it is Christian Peacemaker Teams! According to CPT, "This is a great honor for the organization. At the same time, we acknowledge that we are but partners to those who truly transform the world. We wait for the time when our presence in Colombia, Iraqi Kurdistan, Palestine, Canada, U.S.A. and Greece will not be needed anymore. We would prefer that both Peace and Justice have already prevailed in each corner of this world."

Filling the Gap prepares lunches for children in between the end of the Wichita Public School's lunch program and the beginning of the school year. To find out how you can help, contact Sally.

Call to Fast, Pray, and Advocate Christian Advocacy Group, August 22, 7:00–8:00 p.m.

The Mission and Service Committee invites you to participate in a monthly day of fasting, prayer, and advocacy, in solidarity with the Sojourners community's response to the Trump era.

Fasting may be observed for the whole day, or by skipping a meal and donating the cost of the meal to a hunger program, or by fasting from something else than food: social media, for example.

On August 22 and every month thereafter, we will come together at MCS for one hour for a devotional, silent prayer, and an advocacy project: writing a postcard or planning for a personal visit to our elected officials about the need to protect those who are the most vulnerable, especially in the times in which we live. For more information, contact Janine, Sally, or Pat.

August 21: A National Call to Moral Revival

On April 4, 1967, Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., identified the evils of poverty, racism, and militarism in a famous speech at Riverside Church in New York City. He was making detailed plans for the "Poor People's Campaign." But on April 4, 1968, King was assassinated.

Rev. William Barber's "Moral Mondays" movement in North Carolina began gaining national attention in 2013. Since King's death, no voice has come closer to presenting a vision of social justice combined with moral authority quite like Rev. William Barber's.

Next spring, 50 years after King's death, a coalition will launch the "New Poor People's Campaign," and one of the leading figures will be Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II, along with his organization, Repairers of the Breach.

Kansas People's Agenda invites you to attend a **Mass Meeting introducing the New Poor People's Campaign with Rev. William J. Barber II Monday, August 21, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Topeka.** To register for the event, go to



August 2017 Calendar

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Aug. 1	2	3	4	5
		1:30pm NT Greek *		<i>Happy Birthday, Raul Hurtado!</i>		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10:00 Worship (Communion) 11:45 Potluck 12:30 Gift Discernment 1:15 Bible Study	<i>Happy Birthday, Montorria Cheaney!</i>	1:30pm NT Greek *		7:00 Church Council		6:00 Aposento Alto Worship
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10:00 Worship /Pre-Schl-K SS 11:15 Gift Discernment 11:45 Film 12:30 Bible Study		1:30pm NT Greek *			<i>1:30 Shep- herds*</i>	6:00 Aposento Alto Worship
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10:00 Worship/Pre-Schl-K SS 11:45 Church Life 12:30 Bible Study		1:30pm NT Greek *				<i>Happy Birthday, Belinda Cheaney! Happy Birtday, Cici Campbell!</i> 6:00 Aposento Alto Worship
27	28	29	30	31	Sept. 1	2
10:00 Worship (Healing Prayer)/Pre-Schl-K SS 11:45 Bible Study 12:45 Women's Reading Group		1:30pm NT Greek *				6:00 Aposento Alto Worship