



Newsletter

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Mennonite Church of the Servant
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Installation Service

An installation service for Rev. Lynn Schlosser as MCS's settled pastor will be held as part of the worship service on October 3. Kathy Neufeld Dunn, Associate Minister for the Western District Conference will lead the installation service and provide the teaching.

Tuesday Night Study: "How to Have an Enemy," 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday nights in October, MCS members will present and facilitate discussion on the theme, "How to Have an Enemy," based on a book by the same title. Reading the book is not required, but will enhance the learning process. A Zoom link will be provided to all MCS members and friends to join the study; others can register to join the Zoom group by sending an e-mail to mcs-wichita@gmail.com

CROP Walk October 3

To donate on behalf of the walkers from MCS, you can give your donation online and designate it to Mennonite Central Committee. Instructions for online donations are on page 2.



Mennonite Church of the Servant has returned to remote-only worship services due to the continuing COVID epidemic. Worship with us at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom or Facebook live. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/644908398W> Facebook Live link: <https://www.facebook.com/mcswichita>

Worship Theme: The Gifts and Graces of Age—Biblical Models of Faith

Sunday Morning Schedule

October 3, 10:00 a.m.—Joshua, Faithfulness/Leader (Joshua 23-24) (Communion)

Installation Service for Rev. Lynn Schlosser

Teacher: Kathy Neufeld Dunn
Worship Leader: Doug
11:30 — Break-out groups

October 10, 10:00 a.m.—Naomi, Cunning Wisdom/Survivor (Book of Ruth)

Teacher: Pat
Worship Leader: Geneva
11:15—Break-out groups

October 17, 10:00 a.m.—Eli, Open Spirit/Mentor (I Samuel 3)

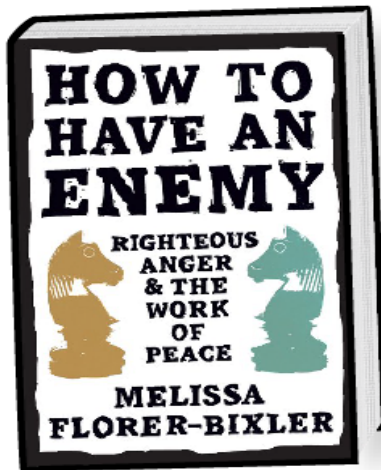
Teacher: Lynn
Worship Leader: Bret
11:15 Church Life

October 24, 10:00 a.m.—Zechariah and Elizabeth, Humility/Servants (Luke 1)

Teacher: Lois
Worship Leader: Vangie
11:15—Break-out groups
11:45—Women's Reading Group

October 31, 10:00 a.m.—Simeon and Anna, Steadfastness/Prophets (Luke 2: 56-80)

Teacher: Lynn
Worship Leader: Doug
11:15 Break-out groups



ZOOM BOOK STUDY

4 Tuesdays in OCTOBER 2021

with teachers from
Mennonite Church of the Servant

Jesus calls Christians to love our enemies — but who is an enemy? A new book published this year examines the biblical view of enemies, focusing on the way Jesus and his followers dealt with enemies. Join the discussion on how to recognize enemies and learn to befriend them. **Send your name and email to mcswichita@gmail.com to receive reminders and the Zoom link.**



Melissa Florer-Bixler,
author

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7:00 - 8:00 pm, Tuesday, October 5; Tuesday, October 12; Tuesday, October 19; and Tuesday, October 26.

Discussion leaders from Mennonite Church of the Servant will be: October 5 - Lois Barrett; October 12 - Marcia Stoesz; October 19 - Pat Cameron; and October 26 - John Stoesz.

Buy the book, *How to Have an Enemy: Righteous Anger and the Work of Peace*, Herald Press, 2021, at heraldpress.com/books/how-to-have-an-enemy.

We are an Anabaptist
Mennonite congregation
in Wichita, KS, Lynn
Schlosser, Pastor



How to Support Mennonite Central Committee through the Wichita CROP Walk

1. Go to <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/wichita-church-of-the-servant>

This will open up the Mennonite Church of the Servant CRIO Walk page.

2. Click on the "Donate Now" button. This will open up the donation page.

3. Skip over the list of specific projects (these are Church World Service projects, not MCC projects) and go down to the "Other Donation" box and enter the amount you want to contribute.

4. Enter your first name, last name, and e-mail address. Make sure that your name appears in the "Recognition Name" box.

5. Scroll down to the "Alternate Agency" box and enter "Mennonite Central Committee."

6. Enter your credit card information

7. At the bottom of the screen click the "Donate [the amount of your donation]" button.

Everence Financial Seminars

Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 5, Everence Financial® will host three informative webinars. Topics include *Making Medicare an easy step*, *Maximizing your year-end giving* and *Estate planning basics*. The online events are free. To register, or for more information, visit www.everence.com/kansas or contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294, or central.kansas@everence.com.

Western District Hope Fund

Early in the COVID pandemic, Western District Conference established the Hope Fund as a way to support congregations enduring pandemic related hardships. Since then, we have supported 14 congregations and distributed over \$50,000 in grants of up to \$2,500. Going into the future, WDC has approved the continued existence of the Hope Fund to also serve as a support for congregations in crisis from natural disasters, tragedies, and other unforeseen incidents.

The Hope Fund Task Force invites members of Western District Conference to continue supporting the Hope Fund this fall. You can give online at mennowdc.org (Click on "Donate"), or by mailing a check to PO Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117.

Mennonite Church of the Servant
Financial Narrative
As of August 2021

We collected:		
Budget Offerings	\$ 29,317.16	
Designated Offerings		
*In-kind Donation	163.00	
Retreat	68.00	
Sharing Fund Donations	100.00	
Total income		\$ 29,648.16
We spent offerings on:		
Conference Support	\$ 677.36	
Congregational Enrichment	618.12	
Leadership	20,318.00	
Meeting House	7,425.79	
Operating Expense	1,116.01	
Sharing Fund	50.00	
Retreat	75.00	
Total expense		(30,280.28)
We paid down our loans		(3,865.29)
We spent more than we collected		<u>\$ (4,497.41)</u>
*Gift of Computer not affecting cash		

Sharing Fund		
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 938.80	
Contributions from Everence	-	
Contributions from members	100.00	
Paid Out	(50.00)	
Balance		\$ 988.80

Fund Balances		
Building Fund	\$ 1,483.79	
Sharing Fund	988.80	
Immigration Fund	315.00	
Operating Fund	22,865.84	
Cash in Bank		\$ 25,653.43

Building Equity		
Building Cost	\$ 163,034.28	
Owed to Everence	(66,709.22)	
Owed to WDC	(3,483.31)	
Equity in Building		\$ 92,841.75

October 2021

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Sept 28	27	28	29	30	Oct. 1	2
	7:00 Shepherds					9:30 Video Series: Meaning of Life
2	4	5	6	7	8	9
10:00 Worship (Communion, Lynn Schlosser Installation) 11:15 Break-out Groups		7:00 How to Have an Enemy	2:00 Worship Committee			9:30 Book Study
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
10:00 Worship 11:15 Church Life		<i>Happy Birthday, Janine Woltenberg!</i> 7:00 How to Have an Enemy		<i>Happy Birthday, Doug von Ehrenkrook!</i>		9:30 Book Study
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
10:00 Worship/Bk-out/Wmn Rd Grp						<i>Happy birthday, Doreen Esau-Rutherford</i>
31		7:00 How to Have an Enemy				
10:00 Worship/Bk-out						