



News from First Mennonite Church November 15, 2020

Because of the COVID-19 situation in Beatrice as well in Newton, Kansas, we decided it is **best to cancel our service this Sunday**. **Maynard Knepp, Director of Donor Relations of MCC Central States in Newton was to be our guest speaker**. We still want him to come to update us on MCC but we felt that next year would be a better option. This has been a difficult decision to make but the church board feels it's the right one for the physical health of our church family.

The Church Board will meet next Thursday, November 19th, via Zoom. We will discuss various options for having services going forward.

Lou Esau passed away Thursday, November 12 at the age of 90. He battled COVID-19 for several days. A memorial service is pending. Please keep Lou's family in your prayers.

If you wish to donate funds to **help buy meat for MCC Meat Canning**, please put your check in Mike Goossen's mailbox designating it for MCC meat canning.

Happy to report that the phone lines for the church office and pastor's office are once again working!

From the Mennonite Community:

Camp Mennoscah: (620-297-3290, 8:30 – 5 M-F or campmennoscah.org)

- ▲ Camp Mennoscah is a year-round campground! Ask about winterized facilities or conquer the prairie wilds in a tent. It's a whole new world in the winter--and available for you! Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 to make a reservation.

Due to Covid-19 concerns, the **WDC office and Resource Library are closed** until further notice. All staff members are working from their homes. The best way to contact a staff member is by email, or messages can be left at 316-283-6300. Phone messages will be checked as possible. Staff email addresses:

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A memorable, meaningful and unique MCC gift to give this Christmas! Grab a piece of MCC history to use in a modern day Mennonite feeding station - your home! Get one for yourself and order more for family and friends. Hang it on the wall in your kitchen or dining room, display it on a shelf or use it as a serving tray! Remember the kitchen at your church, too. Each tray was uniquely handcrafted by an artisan in Siberia using Siberian hardwood. The tray is 16" in diameter and 2" deep. Suggested donation per tray is \$150. Full details and pictures are available



Happening this week:

Sunday, Nov 15	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Cancelled
Tuesday, Nov 17	1:30 p.m.	Maynard Knepp, MCC Devotions
Thursday, Nov 19	7:00 p.m.	Church Board meeting via Zoom
Sunday, Nov 22	9:30 a.m.	To be Determined
	10:30 a.m.	Worship

Last week: Offerings: WDC: \$1,665; FMC: \$300; Meat Canning: \$400; Mission Partners: \$600; **Attendance: 65**

November Birthdays:

1: Letha Hamm	2: Clairra Janssen
2: Immanuel Stutzman	3: Brad Thimm
4: Ernest Jantzen	6: Libby DeSotel
11: Darwin Jantzen	15: Roger Smith
18: Kathy Casey, Katie Jantzen	21: Elyse Scherling
24: Linsey Schardt	27: Gail Cross
27: Nathanael Stutzman	29: Lesley Trantham
30: Don Diller	



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