

*Wherever you are in life's journey and your spiritual journey,  
you are welcome here, where together we share God's love.*

**SOUTHERN HILLS MENNONITE CHURCH**  
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January 21, 2018

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**9:20 a.m. - GATHERING FOR WORSHIP** - *Please enter the sanctuary quietly to pray, write a message of gratitude or prayer request on a card, light a candle, and spend time in reflection as you listen to the prelude.*

Prelude: "Earth and All Stars" Kolander  
"Toccata in G Major" Dubois

**9:30 a.m. - WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

Introduction of Guests *(Please fill out the welcome pads.)*

Announcements

\*Passing the Peace

\*Musical Response

\*Call to Worship (based on 1 Corinthians 12)

LEADER: In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—  
Jews or Greeks, slaves or free,  
indigenous people and those who came later to this land.

**PEOPLE: The body does not consist of one member but of many.**

LEADER: If one member suffers, all suffer together with it;

**PEOPLE: if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.**

LEADER: We are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

**PEOPLE: Baptized by the Spirit, we gather as members  
of the body of Christ.**

\*Invocation

\*Hymn: "Unto thy temple, Lord, we come" HWB 4 (blue)

Invitation to the Children: "Praise God, Praise God" Screen

Time with the Children

Song: "We are the church" Screen

Offertory Prayer

"My Coins Count" offering

Presenting our Offerings

Offertory: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" Kolander  
*(Prayer cards may be placed in the offering plates.)*

Sharing and Prayer

Scripture Reading selected verses from I Corinthians 12

Hymn: "There are many gifts" HWB 304 (blue)

Dialogue Sermon: "The Promises We Make" Roger and Phil Esau

\*Hymn: "Heart with loving heart united" HWB 420 (blue)

\*Benediction

\*Postlude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Walther

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\*Please stand as you are able.

Hearing assist devices & large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

STJ = Sing the Journey (green); STS = Sing the Story (purple)

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book (blue)

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| Pastor: Roger Neufeld Smith<br>Associate Pastor, Organist:<br>Cynthia Neufeld Smith<br>Worship Leaders: Mark Schmidt and<br>Janson Garman | Greeters: Jerry & Jené Yoder<br>Nursery Helper: Chantse Boucher<br>Ushers: Steve & Glenna Lowry |
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**10:30 a.m. - Coffee and Conversation at the Holy Grounds Café.**

**10:45 a.m. - Sunday School classes for all ages.**

12:00 p.m. - Youth Lunch and Bowling Party

12:00 p.m. - SHMC JUMP Team meeting in library

THIS WEEK

Monday, 6 p.m. - Outreach Ministries Board meeting

Tuesday, 9:00 am-2:00 p.m. - Quilting on the KMRS quilt

Wednesday, 5:30 pm - Men & Women's Bible Study

6:45 p.m. - Adult choir rehearsal - All singers welcome!

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. - Worship Service. We will celebrate communion together and Cynthia will preach.

10:45 a.m. - Sunday School classes for all ages.

12:00 p.m. - Congregational Lunch served by the Youth Group

- 12:45 p.m. - Annual congregational meeting

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

Jan 28 - Zaka Blocker

Feb 4 - Brooke Slipke

Feb 11 - Kaity Shima

CLEANING SCHEDULE (New/Old):

Jan 27 - Gingerich (N), Voth (O)

Feb 3 - Hershberger (N), Goering (O)

Feb 10 - Shima/Young (N&O)

LAST SUNDAY MORNING

**Attendance: 58 Visitor: Michelle Ewert**

**Southern Hills Mennonite Church Mission Statement** (from the church constitution): *The purpose of this congregation shall be to live by and promote, through worship, study, giving and witness, the heritage of the Anabaptist-Mennonite expression of the Christian faith and life in contemporary form. We believe this to mean that a congregation is to be a body of Christians committed to the Lordship of Christ, who, by the power of the Holy Spirit, seek to live lives of discipleship, to practice the ethic of love and nonresistance in all human relationships, and to adhere to the historic peace position.*

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are collecting "**My Coins Count**" offerings from now until April 8th. The total collected for 2017 was \$1,202.27. Our goal for 2018 is \$1,300.00. If you are interested in matching an amount collected on any Sunday, please contact Judy Krehbiel. Thank you so much for your contributions!

**Mentees and mentors** are invited to eat lunch **TODAY** as a group and then head to Gage Bowl for a bowling party. The lunch and bowling are FREE! Talk to mentoring coordinator, Carolyn Voth, with any questions.

We have resumed **quilting on the KMRS quilt** on Tuesdays, at 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring your own lunch.

**Pastors' Whereabouts:** Roger and Cynthia will host the I-70 pastors' meeting at their home this Wednesday, January 24, starting at 9:00 a.m.

Our **annual congregational meeting** will be held **next Sunday, January 28**, after a lunch provided by our youth (donations for lunch go to the youth trip to Heifer International this summer). Check the January newsletter to read about some proposed amendments to the SHMC constitution. **Annual report books will be distributed today.**

**Please submit articles for the February newsletter by Monday, January 29.**

**SAVE THE DATE! February 18, 4 p.m.** - Hymn Sing Fundraiser for MDS (Mennonite Disaster Service). See poster on bulletin board and bulletin insert.

**Fellowship Meals**, a fund-raiser for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale, are scheduled for February 25 and/or March 4. You are invited to sign up to be a host or a guest. Sign-up forms are available in the foyer. See Judy Krehbiel or Joyce Funk for questions and more information

**Quilter's Corner**, a fund-raising booth for the KMRS Sale needs quilt related items for the booth. You are invited to donate items suggested on the insert. Donations will be taken to the February KMRS planning meeting.

**Stan and Donna Voth** have moved to a new home: 6317 SW Monarch Ct., Topeka, KS 66610. No change to telephone or email.

There are a few random **votive candles** on the office window. Please help yourself to any you can use.

### COMING EVENTS

January 28, 12:00 p.m. – Congregational Lunch served by the Youth Group  
– 12:45 p.m. - Annual congregational meeting  
February 18, 4:00 pm – Hymn Sing/Fundraiser for Mennonite Disaster Service

### ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS

- Stanley Hendrich's memorial service program (Nancy's former husband)
- 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. "Whose Dream Is It?"
- Hesston College Church Relations Newsletter, Fall/Winter 2017
- HI-CREST NIA January 2018 newsletter
- Topeka Rescue Mission January 2018 report
- Interfaith of Topeka Annual Meeting, Jan. 23, First Baptist Church
- Legislative Event for Advocacy in Faith, Feb. 11 & 12 (handouts on table)

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### **Last Sunday we prayed for:**

- Nancy Hendrich in the loss of her former husband and adopted son.
- Guy Smoker's brother who has double pneumonia.
- Steve Lowry's cousin in Iowa who was severely injured in an automobile accident.
- Alba Blocker's family in the loss of her sister-in-law.
- courage to carry forth Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream for justice and equality.

#### **We gave thanks for:**

- Nancy Hendrich's time with grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

### WIDER NEWS AND NOTES

Does a night off of cooking and fine music sound too good to be true? It's not! Please join us for **Italian dinner night** on Monday, January 22 in the cafeteria at Topeka West High School. Seatings are at 5:30 and 6:30 pm. Listen to orchestra music while you enjoy lasagna, salad, breadsticks, and of course cheesecake! Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for students, and \$6 Kids under 14 and can be purchased from Henry Goering or Kaitlyn Shima.

Everyone is invited to the **Interfaith of Topeka Annual Meeting** this Tuesday, January 23, at First Baptist Church, 3033 SW MacVicar Ave. We will begin with a potluck dinner at 6:00 p.m. Please do NOT bring dishes with pork or shell fish. You can also skip the potluck and just come for the program, which begins at 7:00 p.m. Our speaker will be Jim McCollough, executive director of the Topeka Center for Peace and Justice. **Bring friends and family; all are invited.**

**Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:** A family with two young children is sharing Jesus' love through teaching and community art projects in a Middle Eastern country that is predominantly Muslim. They are serving with Mennonite Mission Network and Eastern Mennonite Missions. Pray for meaningful social and spiritual relationships.