





- ❖ We pray for the people in Azerbaijan who are meeting about global climate concerns. Be with them and others as they seek solutions.

+ *For the past couple of years, we have listed names of those in our church community (both attenders and extended) in the bulletin as a reminder to hold up one another in prayer. We will take a break from listing names in the bulletin for the time being. However, we are encouraged to continue to intentionally pray for each other. Possible ways to do this include praying through the church directory, committing to pray for a specific children's Sunday School class, the youth group, a church board/committee, or any other person or group the Spirit places on our hearts. May we continue to support each other through prayer, deed, and action!*

## THIS WEEK

### **Sunday, November 17**

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

2:30 pm – Mennonite Heritage & Ag Museum's program with Antonina Broyaka

### **Monday, November 18**

4:00 pm – Prayer Team

### **Tuesday, November 19**

9:30 am – Staff Meeting

7:00 pm – Daughters of Grace Exec Team, Conference Room

### **Wednesday, November 20**

5:45 pm – Midweek fellowship meal served

Midweek Activities

### **Sunday, November 24**

No Sunday School

10:00 am – Community Thanksgiving Service sponsored by Goessel Ministerial Alliance at Alexanderwohl

## COMING EVENTS

- Nov 24-26 Serve at New Hope Shelter, Newton
- Nov 28-29 Church offices closed for Thanksgiving
- Dec 7 Daughters of Grace Christmas Brunch
- Dec 8 McPherson Brass Concert
- Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service
- Jan 19 Spending Plan Q&A
- Jan 26 Annual Meeting

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**On behalf of the Church Council, we are excited to announce our five members of the Pastoral Search Committee.** They are: Karen Unruh (Board of Deacons), Megan Duerksen (Board of Worship), Tina Schrag (Board of Trustees), Weston Hiebert (member at large) and Julianna Kauffman (member at large). The five members received a very strong

discerning affirmation from the congregation. We offer them our prayers and support as they undertake this important task. John Fast, Chair

**Please consider a donation to the Mennonite College Student Fall Fundraiser by November 17.** Your donations are appreciated by our students and are matched by the colleges. Thank you for your support!

**We have the opportunity to serve at New Hope Shelter this coming November 24-26.** Volunteers are needed to work the evening shift from 5-10 pm. The sign-up sheet is in the south lobby. The Sunday school classes that will be serving the meal are: Young Adults, Seekers & Sojourners, and Friends & Followers.

**Daughters of Grace are planning a Christmas brunch for December 7, and are looking for creative volunteers willing to decorate a Christmas-themed table for the morning.** If you are willing to share your holiday dishes and decorations, please sign up in one of the lobbies. We look forward to seeing everyone's festive holiday table displays.

**The *Circle of Grace* book display** continues to be available at the back of the sanctuary. Please take time to check out these resources!

In 2022, when Russia invaded Ukraine, Antonina Broyaka and her two children fled Ukraine and came to live in Manhattan, KS. They were hosted by Sharolyn Flaming Jackson, who grew up in Alexanderwohl. **Come and hear their modern day story of leaving their homeland and coming to Kansas and learn about their life now on Sunday, November 17, at 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** For questions, contact the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum.

**Christmas Giving Tree:** Tags will be available on the tree at the Crossroads Credit Union on **Tuesday, November 26.** All gifts need to be brought back to the Credit Union by **Monday, December 16.** The gifts should be wrapped, credit union personnel will assist with the "checking in" process. The gifts will be distributed by the Goessel Ministerial Alliance.