

BETHESDA NEWS

Welcome to Worship!

July 27, 2025

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"A community caring for all God's people, being transformed by Christ's love,
serving others as a witness of God's grace and peace."

CONNECT, EQUIP, SEND

MINISTRY TEAM

Pastor Andrea Wall:

Pastor Chelsea Vaught: 402-363-7004

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Currently on sabbatical.

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BMC Website: www.bethesdamc.org

BMC Faith Formation Website: www.bmcfaithformation.com

WORSHIP SERVICES

Can be viewed/listened to live...

† Livestream @ <http://bethesdamc.org/watch-live>

† Facebook

† KOOL Radio 103.5 FM

† Local Cobalt Cable Channel 3207

Reminder...

† The east doors will remain open during office hours 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday through Thursday. If you drop off items in the Et Cetera room and
need to have the north door unlocked, please call the office.

WEEKLYCALENDAR

<i>Sunday, July 27</i>	8:45 a.m. Deacons Meet 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:40 a.m. Sunday School 12:00 p.m. Potluck
<i>Monday, July 28</i>	8:00 p.m. Church Council
<i>Tuesday, July 29</i>	9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. BWM Sewing Day
<i>Wednesday, July 30</i>	12:00 p.m. Bulletin Announcements Due
<i>Friday, August 1</i>	Church Offices Closed
<i>Sunday, August 3</i>	8:45 a.m. Deacons Meet 9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion Message: Pastor J Epp Music: Laura Steingard/Mixed Octet Offering to God 10:40 a.m. Sunday School
<i>Monday, August 4</i>	2:30 p.m. Legacy Square Communion

CHURCHFAMILY

Please keep in prayer those with health concerns, grief, or family needs:
Rachelle Schweitzer, Shirley Thayer, Lisa Friesen, Hester and Rafael Heide, the family of Beverly Wall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Delicia Bravo Aguilar and Peter Wigginton to share their work in Ecuador
Wednesday, August 13: Delicia Bravo Aguilar and Peter Wigginton will be sharing their mission with Bethesda on Wednesday, August 13 at 7:00 p.m. Delicia and Peter serve as Ecuador partnership coordinators for the Ecuador Partnership, including Mission Network, Iglesia Cristiana Menonita de Colombia and Central Plains Conference. This includes sharing their gifts in ministry with Ecuadorian partners. In their role with Iglesia Cristiana Anabautista Menonita de Ecuador (ICAME), Peter and Delicia support the church in music and children’s ministries.



Delicia works with several other women sewing diaper covers, cloth diapers and other sustainable products as part of the church refugee ministry. They relate closely with Iglesia Cristiana Menonita de Ecuador (ICME-Ecuador Mennonite Christian Church), a primarily indigenous conference formed by leaders who have participated in Anabaptist theological education for many years through Ecuador ministries. Peter and Delicia walk alongside FEINE, the (Federation of Indigenous Evangelical Churches of Ecuador) working in theological education and leadership development. Peter co-hosts a Spanish language podcast, Merienda Menonita.

Please join us to welcome and hear God's work in Ecuador through Peter and Delicia!

End of Summer Cookout

Sunday, August 17: Bethesda Mennonite Church will be hosting an End of Summer Cookout on Sunday, August 17 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Come and join in for a delicious meal, games, fellowship and highlights of Bethesda's History of Service. The meal will be served on the church patio and is free for all and all are welcome!



A History of Service

Have you served on a project in the local community, around the county, or the world at large? Help us share the history of Service at Bethesda! The Board of Service and Outreach is seeking photos and stories of service through the years to be displayed on Sunday, August 17th during our End of Summer Cookout! If you have a story or photos you are willing to share, please contact Hillary Lee.

Bethesda Cemetery

There have been questions about who to contact and where to get a headstone. The Sexton and Assistant Sextons of the Bethesda Cemetery do not make the arrangements for headstones. You will need to contact monument companies directly to make those arrangements. Monument companies that service the Henderson area include: Speidell Monuments in Lincoln, 402-476-6263; Palmer Monument Co. in Grand Island, 308-382-6010; and Desch Paine Memorials of Grand Island, 308-384-2422.

BETHESDA WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

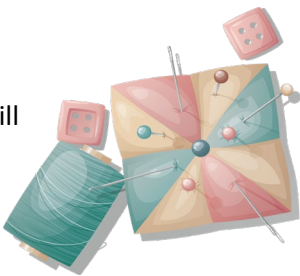
BWM Banquet

Tuesday, August 5: Bethesda Women's Ministries will hold their Celebrate Women Event/15th Annual Banquet on Tuesday, August 5, at 6:00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the church office. The office is open Monday through

Thursday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Ticket sales end on July 31. Please pay \$15 when your name is registered. The meal will be provided by The Dutch Kitchen and our speaker will be Jen Ramaekers from Aurora. She is the wife of Dr. Ryan Ramaekers.

Summer Craft & Sewing Days

The final Summer Craft & Sewing Day of the summer will be held on Tuesday, July 29 from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come and help get projects ready for BWM and the MCC Sale. We will be cutting and sewing backings, piecing, and sewing quilt tops, making School Kit Bags and working on Quiet Books. That's where the non-sewers can plug in. So, invite your friends and let's meet one last time to get ready for our Winter Sewing Days.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

Hiebner Attends Swan Lake Christian Camp

Mckinley Hiebner attended 5th & 6th Grade Camp (Session 1) at Swan Lake Christian Camp in Viborg, S.D. on July 14, 2025. Pretty sure Mike and Jen Hiebner's vehicle could drive to Viborg on auto pilot after this summer. Thank you to all of the parents who took the time to snap and send photos of their kids at Swan Lake this summer.



GIVING ATTENDANCE

Sunday, July 20, Worship Attendance: 211
Sunday, July 20, Sunday School Attendance: 86

Worship Offering: July 20, 2025

Bethesda General Operating Receipts	\$10,714.00
Sunday School Offering	\$132.37
Total Sunday Offering	\$10,846.37

MISSIONSLOCAL/GLOBAL



Bethesda Mennonite Church members,
We wanted to reach out to you to express our gratitude for your monthly financial support of \$355 since 2022.

This month marks our 3rd year of moving to Thailand! As we are fully funded by personal support, your gift is what got us here, has been keeping us here, and will sustain us until God has a different plan for us.

But your gift is not only money for us to live and serve....your financial gift is a partnership in this ministry AND service to God in fulfilling the great commission to the nations from and living in Thailand.

As Paul tells the church in Philippians 4, [15] And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. [16] Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. [17] Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. [18] I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. [19] And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. [20] To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

May God also gladly receive your sacrifice and supply for you now as well as in the next life. We are praying for you and we are thankful to be partnered in the gospel with you.

Thank you so much for financially supporting us—sustaining the work through your gifts and prayer.

With thankful hearts,
Jaden and Katelyn Regier

Daniel Chose to Obey God

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I L B C O M M A N D S M Z Y M O K
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King's Table
Different
Mishael
Mighty
Obey

Belteshazzar
Commands
Azariah
fruit
Love

King's meat
Hananiah
Daniel
Water
Dare

vegetables
purpose
Wisdom
Honor

CONNECT

For more information, complete the form below and drop this tear-off in the offering or the church office.

I would like more information about:

- ☐ Children’s Programs
- ☐ Youth Programs
- ☐ Bible Studies
- ☐ Choirs
- ☐ Serving
- ☐ Baptism
- ☐ Membership
- ☐ Other _____

☐ I would like to receive the weekly e-Bethesda News and bulletin. Please enter your email address: _____

☐ I am new to Bethesda Mennonite Church.

☐ Please update/add my contact information to the Bethesda yearbook.

Name	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Email	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	

My age range:

- ☐ Elementary School
- ☐ High School
- ☐ Adult
- ☐ Junior High
- ☐ College

Comments/Bulletin Announcement...

MESSAGENOTES

"I spy with my little eye"

Pastor J Epp

Daniel 6:16-23 (NRSV)