

South Hutchinson  
Mennonite Church  
**Connections**



Worship.



Connect.



Grow.



Serve.



Worship.

**Worship Fully:**

Discovering God daily and responding with awe.

**This Week at SHMC**

~ *Events at Journey @ Yoder in italics* ~

**Today, November 20**

7:30 am Prayer gathering in Room 24  
8:30, 9:45 & 11:00 am

Worship Celebrations

9:29 am *Worship Celebration*

9:30 & 10:45 am Coffee & Juice are in the Fellowship Hall. Please help yourself.

9:45 am Christian Education classes For all ages

10:29 am *Children's classes, Student Small groups and 2nd Hour Scripture*

6:00 pm *JHM (Junior High Ministry) at the Activity Center*

7:00 pm *HSM (High School Ministry) at the Worship Center*

7:00 pm South Hutchinson Community Thanksgiving Service at South Hutchinson Christian Church

**Tuesday, November 22**

6:00 pm *Activity Center reserved*

**Wednesday, November 23**

9:00 am Growth Studies

7:30 pm Praise Team Practice

**Thursday, November 24**

**Thanksgiving Day—Office is Closed**

All Day Pastor Howard on Call at PRMC  
11:30pm Fellowship Hall and kitchen are reserved

10:00 am *Activity Center reserved*

10:00 am *Fellowship Hall/kitchen reserved*

**Friday, November 25**

7:00 pm Prayer for Community

**Next Sunday, November 27**

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**Elder Affirmations:** The congregation overwhelmingly affirmed Dan Garber and Wendell Bontrager as our new elders. Dan will continue in his second term and we would like to thank him for his service in 2010 as elder chair. We welcome Wendell to the elder team.

**Thank you to those that came to the prayer meeting** focusing on the proposed name change. There was a real sense of unity in our prayers to God. A summary of the meeting will be available online and at the Connection Center. Please continue to pray for God's clear direction. If you have comments, thoughts or questions about the name change – please don't hesitate to contact a pastor or elder.



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## SHMC Connections

### **A Thank You**

We would like to thank everyone involved with Mother's memorial service, pallbearers, kitchen help and those who prepared food.

Thank You  
Melvin Yoder & Family

**Thank you for giving** material aid to MCC. Through you MCC is reaching out, in the name of Christ, to people in need at home and around the world. Thank you for giving school kits, sewing kits and soap. They really make a difference!

Peace, MCC Central States

**Dear Friends, thank you** for your continued friendship & support. Your support funds our efforts to help low income households become financially responsible. Each of our clients you are supporting become new home owners, higher educated wage earners, small business owners, or are able to make major home repairs in our community.

Emily Hurst, Interfaith Housing Services

**Recently I read in our local paper** that you had contributed a goodly sum of money to nine local non-profit agencies. I was touched by your generosity and simply want to say thank you. I have worked with many agencies when I was employed. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Another Christian,  
Lois Thayer

**A Friday evening at 7:00 pm is prayer time** at the South Hutch campus for anyone who wants to join in prayer for our nation's leaders, our nation, our community and our church. Time will also be spent praying for rain for our community and the city of Hutchinson.

### **Area Connections**

**A A Christmas Spectacular** at Central Christian Church, December 1, 7:00 p.m., 2900 N. Rock Road, Wichita. Steven Curtis Chapman, Newsboys, Francesa Battistelli, Natalie Grant,

Selah, Anthem Lights, Max Lucado and Randy Frazee. Purchase tickets at [www.genexconcerts.com](http://www.genexconcerts.com) or call 724-744-3524.

Senior Care is again sponsoring the community service program, **Be A Santa To A Senior**, designed to provide gifts and bring smiles to our community's lonely and financially challenged seniors. We do not want to miss out on the opportunity to brighten the holidays for even one deserving senior. Please see the Program Purpose and description at the Connection Center and pick up a form to submit names.

**A Everence Top Drawer brochure** is available at the Connection Center. It includes articles titled *Health Care Reform Update* and *Accessing Money in Retirement*.

**A The Bethel College Wind Ensemble's** second concert of the fall will be today, (November 20) at 7:30 p.m. in Krehbiel Auditorium in the Fine Arts Center. The concert is free and open to the public, with a freewill offering taken to support music study and performance at Bethel College.

**A The Prairie Window Concert Series** at the Dyck Arboretum's new Prairie Pavilion in Hesston will feature The Greencards, appearing on Today, November 20, at 4:30 p.m. Past Grammy nominees, their music includes "new grass", rock, folk, and Latin American sounds. Reserved seating: Adults \$20, Children \$12 by calling 327-8127. Proceeds benefit the arboretum's mission that promotes environmental landscaping with native plants. Soup, homemade bread, and dessert catered by Claire Williams & Paula Sims served as options during intermission.



**Connect with Others**

*Building authentic relationships and experiencing God in community.*

**A** All

**W** Women

**M** Men

**S** Student

**C** Children

**CA** College Age

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## Student Ministries

**S** **Sunday mornings:**  
**Student Small Groups** meet weekly on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am at South Hutch and at 10:29 am at Journey @ Yoder. Small group time gives students a way to Connect with Others, Grow in Christ, and Serve with Passion. Small groups are based on gender and age to allow students to really connect and share with each other. We are doing some awesome studies and also have opportunities to serve the larger church.

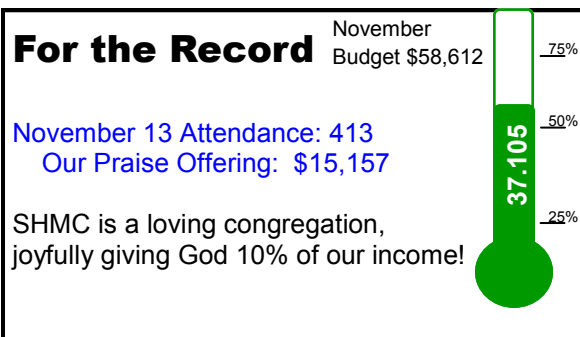
**S** **Student Ministries Sunday evenings:**  
**JHM (Junior High Ministry)** 6:00 to 7:30 pm at Journey @ Yoder. Fun and crazy games and a time for worship.

Nov 20 Snacks: Thane Unruh  
Drinks: Jordan Shafer  
Nov 27 Snacks: Potluck all bring snacks

**HSM (High School Ministry)** meets at 7:00 pm for worship then continues on until 8:30 with games and hanging out.

Nov 20 Snacks: Brandon Yutzy  
Drinks: Kate Unruh  
Nov 27 Snacks: Potluck all bring snacks

**Share your pics!** If you are at a church event or gathering and you get some great pictures that could be used by the church – you can drop them in our Dropbox on the web. Go to [www.dropbox.com](http://www.dropbox.com), log in with the email address: [cindyh@shmcfamily.org](mailto:cindyh@shmcfamily.org) and password “dropbox”. Then just upload your pics to share!



## Children's Ministry

**C** **November's Virtue:**

**Gratitude:** Letting others know you see how they've helped you.

**This week's Bible Story:** Jesus Heals 10 lepers. Luke 17:11-19

**Bottom Line:** Take time to say thank you.

**Thank you for Participating in Operation Christmas Child.** To date, we have packed 71 shoe boxes to send to children around the world. These kids will be blessed with a fun Christmas gift and will hear about the love of Jesus. Shoe boxes will be taken to a local collection site after church today. Thanks for sharing your resources and spreading God's love during this season.



**Christmas is coming soon** and we are making plans for involving children in our advent worship services and Christmas Eve service. All children, preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to sing in our Christmas Eve service. Practices will be primarily on Sunday mornings, but probably a couple Wed. evenings in December as well. We are also inviting children to help hand out bulletins and take the offering in each of our worship services during advent. Please sign your children up for both of these opportunities at the Connection Center.



## Grow in Christ

*Knowing Jesus and modeling our lives after Him.*

Because of God's love for us, He sent Jesus to rescue us from sin and to reconnect us to God. We believe the Jesus shown in Scripture is the clearest image of God's character. As we pattern our lives after Jesus, we find meaning for ourselves and reveal God to others.

**Scriptures:**

- Matthew 28:19-20
- John 14:6



Serve.

# Serve with Passion:

Joining God's mission to extend love, forgiveness, and compassion to the world.

**M** **Mennonite Women** will meet  
December 6 and 7

### Project for the month: Health Kits

We will be having an evening of quilting and comfort tying on **Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m.**, for those who can not come during the day on Wednesday.

Dec. 7 meet at 9:00 am

Dec 7 Hostesses: Betty Krehbiel  
and Dellis Dick

Dec 7 Devotions: Blanche Showalter

You're very welcome to come both times. Come and enjoy the fellowship, we would love to have you!

Lists for Health Kits may found on the table by the south window in the Fellowship Hall at South Hutch Campus.

### **A** **Teen Christmas 2011**

First Call for Help believes that **No Child** should go through Christmas without a gift, no matter what their age!

Join them again this year to "Adopt A Teen" for Christmas. Over 1,068 teens were helped last year. Please provide a gift between \$10.00 and \$20.00. Please give new gifts only! If you can help by contributing new gifts or by make a financial contribution so that gifts may be purchased you will help make sure that a teenager who would not otherwise have a gift on Christmas morning will have one. First Call will distribute the gifts to parents on December 15. Gifts might be: watches, makeup, basketballs/footballs, walkman radios, men's & women's socks, perfume/bath sets, small electronic games and board games. Call 669-0159 for more info. See the complete letter on the north hallway bulletin board at the South Hutch campus

### **A** **This Christmas, begin a new tradition.**

Share the joy with others around the world by selecting a gift from MCC (Mennonite Central Committee). Simple gifts make a big difference. The gift of **education** provides a brighter future for children and communities. The gift of **friendship** helps MCC reach out to newcomers, showing God's love for all. The gift of **peace** helps people build understanding and harmony where they live. Explore all the MCC gift options and discover more ways to share the joy at [mcc.org/Christmas](http://mcc.org/Christmas) or make checks payable to MCC and send them to MCC Central States, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. Fliers were placed in mailboxes last week.

### **A** **Our current Everence Advocate** (formerly MMA) is Julie Unruh. She will be stepping down the first of the year. A volunteer is needed to continue the effort. An advocate assists members and attendees with obtaining grants for various needs. Please call Julie Unruh with questions about the position or contact the church office if interested.



## Serve with Passion

*Joining God's mission to extend love, forgiveness, and Compassion to the world.*

As followers of Christ, we are the physical presence of God, empowered by the Holy Spirit to be broken and poured out for the needs of the world. We have the greatest impact when we are giving God the best of the time, resources, and abilities He has given us.

**A** All    **M** Women    **M** Men    **S** Student    **C** Children    **C/A** College Age

### Our staff is here to walk with you

Howard Wagler, Lead Pastor  
Eric Miller, Associate Pastor  
Sheri Saner, Children's Outreach Pastor  
Jeremy Patterson, Journey @ Yoder Campus Pastor  
Jesse Blasdel, Student Outreach Pastor  
Cindy Headings, Administrator  
Jean Willems, Receptionist/Secretary  
John Davis, Treasurer  
Kim Easdon, Treasurer Assistant  
Phil Meyer, South Hutch Custodian  
Dedra Sawatzky, Journey Custodian

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