Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. - noon Phone: 345-8320; Email: edenmc@mtelco.net; Check out our website at www.edenmennonite.org Friend us on Facebook Lead Pastor, Dave Stevens Home Phone: 620-345-7113; dstevens@edenmennonite.org

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Peace Sunday

Pre-service Music

Jill Zerger

Welcome and Announcements

*Gift of Music O God of Love, O King of Peace Me Becky Clark, director; Bonita Howard, accompanist

*Call to Worship

*Hymn 226

Children's Time

Prayer of Confession/Assurance of Forgiveness (Unison)

God of mercy and compassion, you are the One who counts our tears and hears our deepest sighs. You know the secrets of our hearts. We confess to you today that we have bitter memories. We confess to you that sometimes we harbor thoughts of revenge. We confess to you that sometimes the bitterness and hurtful thoughts choke our best intentions. Lost in the past, we drown out your hopes for healing that well up inside of us.

[Silent confession]

But gracious God, you come to release us from our violent dreams. You come to fill us with good visions of the world as you would have it. You reassure us that if we sing your song in this strange land and live from your loved poured into our hearts, all things are possible. And we give you thanks in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

~Adapted from Thomas H. Troeger, Borrowed Light. New York: Oxford (1994), 170

| I bind my I | heart this | tide |
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Lighting the peace lamp

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:38-39; Romans 12:17-21 Pastor Derek

*HWB 322

HWB 411

Introduction of speaker

Message "Dead Man Walking--The Journey Continues" Sister Helen Prejean

Hymn 407

For we are strangers no more

Mark Stucky

Jeff Koller

We are people of God's peace

Pastor Dave

You are salt for the earth

Gary and Bonita Howard

Men's Chorus

EYF

Prayers of God's People

Offering/Offertory/MCC Penny Collection The children will collect coins for MCC

*Blessing

Christ is our peace. In his own flesh he has broken down the dividing wall of hostility. He came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and to you who were near so that he might create in himself one new humanity. Christ **is** our peace. Amen. *~based on Ephesians 2:14, 17, 15*

*Song of Sending HWB 427

You shall go out with joy (twice)

Postlude

HWB – Hymnal *a Worship Book* (blue book); STS *Sing the Story* (purple book) *Please stand if able.



The peace lamp is lit as a reminder that we should be in prayer for an end to violence in the world. We trust in the power of prayer, as we know that through prayer, all things are possible.

Welcome to worship in the name of Yahweh our Father, Jesus our Brother, and the Holy Spirit, our Guardian and Guide. May we open our hearts fully to God's love for all.

If you are a visitor, we encourage you to fill out a visitor card found next to the hymnals and drop it in the offering plate.



A nursery is available for small children. Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Rashelle and Matt Schrag for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

Hospitality Hint from WDC: Invite a friend to Wednesday night activities.

Today is Peace Sunday. We welcome Sister Helen Prejean who will speak on "Dead Man Walking--The Journey Continues" and respond to questions during Sunday school. Sister Helen works to abolish capital punishment, promote social justice, and minister to the poor.



The Peace Committee invites you to the noon meal today, Sunday, Feb 2. After the meal, high school senior Elizabeth Schrag will read her peace essay.

If you would like a printout of your giving for the past year please contact the church office 345-8320.

| Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday | Eden This Week 9:30 a.m. Worship service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:40 a.m. Sunday school Noon playground fundraiser meal prepared by Bill Zerger Deadline for turning in MCC Fellowship Meal registrations 8:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg. 8:30 a.m. Pastoral Visitors mtg. 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Ladies chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus | |
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| Looking Ahead | | |
| Feb 5 Feb 6 Feb 9 Feb 11 Feb 12 Feb 15 Feb 16 Feb 20 | 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Ladies chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus 7:00 p.m. MCC Sale Committee mtg. at Eden Installation for Derek King followed by EYF fundraiser meal 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Staff/Congregation Relations Team mtg. 12:00 p.m. all – staff lunch meeting (bring a sack lunch) 6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Ladies chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus 9:00 a.m. Eden Leadership Team mtg. @ church Noon Potluck followed by Congregational mtg. All items for <i>Eden Echoes</i> due in the church office | |
| | Last Sunday, Jan 26, 2013 Worship: 202; S.S.:146 Offering: \$5,152.15 | |
| | Next Sunday, Feb 9, 2014 Installation for Pastor Derek King Music: Chancel Children's Story: Morgan Kaufman Nursery: Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas | |

Remember in Prayer

Verna Goering: Dismissed from Mercy Hospital **Western District Conference:** Pray for Clarence Rempel, Conference Minister, as he provides guidance for pastoral transitions, resources WDC leadership groups, and works with longer range strategic initiatives.

Dale Ray and Shelly Thiesen have requested the transfer of their membership to Journey Mennonite in McPherson.

Dale and Cherri Knoll have requested the transfer of their membership to Grace Crossing, Moundridge.

Alan Koller has requested the transfer of his membership to Grace Crossing, Moundridge.

The Mennonite Men have agreed to pay the rental of the buildings for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale again this year. Mennonite Men are asked to pay their \$100 membership to Keith Goering or to take them directly to the church office. Please make your checks to Eden with Mennonite Men in the memo line.

"What a beautiful ministry your church has with these wonderful meals!" That's a comment that was made after someone attended a funeral and the meal following it at Eden. Would you like to be a part of that ministry? Please let Florene Wedel or JoLene Kaufman know if you are willing to make pies or help serve meals at funerals.

May Juhnke will be celebrating her 95th birthday on Mar 1, 2014. Her family suggests showering her with birthday cards for her celebration. She is at Kidron Bethel, 3001 Ivy Dr., Room 30 N, North Newton, Kansas 67117. She does not hear well over the phone and does not read much beyond a card. She still welcomes visitors.

The Fellowship Meals registration forms for the MCC Sale are available and need to be filled out and turned in by today, Feb 2, 2014. Please contact Jerry Schrag for the more information.

February 6th, the MCC Sale Committee Meeting will be held at Eden at 7:00 p.m. We are having a small mini auction to raise money for the MCC Sale. If you would like to donate something for that auction or bake a couple dozen cookies for the committee to serve for those that attend, we would appreciate it. Please contact Jerry and Linda Schrag, 620-345-2115, for more information.

The Historical/Archival Committee has placed video and audio cassettes from 2006 services on a table in Fellowship Hall. You are welcome to take those that interest you. The remaining tapes will be discarded.

Do you like to serve others? Then we would like to offer the opportunity to serve congregational meals, including potlucks, with others. No one is too young or old to assist with meal service. If this is a gift you can share, please notify Jill Zerger of your interest.

Old bikes and bike parts wanted no matter what shape or condition. These will be rebuilt and given to the homeless shelter in Newton or sold at the Etc. Shop. Drop them off at the PET shop (320 W. Ruth) in Moundridge. If unable to deliver to the PET shop or for questions call Tim Goering 620-345-8443.

The Worship Commission would like your support to close the overflows in the sanctuary. By closing the overflows less ushers are required to take offering during the service, all congregants are closer during the moment of fellowship, and the congregation will be seated in closer proximity to each other. Ushers will open the overflow when additional seating is needed.

The Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) at Hesston College is Feb 21-23 as part of MC USA Year of the Bible. "Reading the Bible in an Instagram World" Go to <u>www.hesston.ed/avds</u> for more information. Registration forms can be found on the literature table in the fellowship hall. Western District has a \$30 rebate available for 30 WDC participants. Contact Nancy Funk at wdc@mennowds.org to sign up for the post-event issued rebate.

Please join us! Circles of McPherson County is hosting a soup supper Sunday, Feb 9, at the Moundridge Senior Center from 5:00-7:00 p.m.. Come when you can to warm yourself with soup and your heart with fellowship and stories from Circle's families about how their dreams are becoming realities.

The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood. The Moundridge Community Blood Drive will be Friday, Feb 7 from 1:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Pine Village Wellness Center. Visit <u>redcrossblood.org</u> or call 1-800-RED-CROSS to schedule your appointment!

Hesston College and Bluestem Communities will host *Music of the Four Loves* catered dinner and concert Thursday, Feb 13 at the Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S. Main St., on the Hesston College Campus Dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by a concert performed by the Hesston College Bel Canto Singers and Hesston College Chorale at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 for the evening. No cost for concert only. Reservations are required by Friday, Feb 7 by calling 620.327.8109 or toll free 866.437.7866. **New Audit Rate Available!** AMBS-Great Plains Extension announces a financial aid award that reduces the AUDIT fee to \$50 per credit hour for the spring class, "Understanding the Church's Contexts" GP:CHM569, with Lois Barrett, professor. (Credit fees remain the same.) The class meets Tuesday evenings, beginning Feb. 4 at 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. for 14 weeks. Register IMMEDIATELY online at <u>www.ambs.edu/forms/one-course-registration.cfm</u> to enroll. This practical course examines assessment of a congregation's mission and vision and then develops a Christian engagement in the larger environment.

This year's WDC Annual Assembly will be in Waxahachie, TX July 4-6. If you are going and have interest in riding on a chartered bus from Newton, KS to Waxahachie, let us know. Based on the level of interest (to be determined by June 3), WDC may offer this charter bus trip at a cost of \$58 - \$110 per person, depending on the size of bus needed. Indicate your interest and number of seats needed online (<u>http://mennowdc.org/conference-life/annual-assembly/</u>) or call <u>316-283-6300</u> or email <u>wdc@mennowdc.org</u>.

Resolutions for WDC Annual Assembly must be submitted by Mar 3 to the Executive Board. The resolution policy can be seen at: http://mennowdc.org/conference-life/annual-assembly/.

Rainbow Mennonite Church, Kansas City, invites everyone to their fundraiser coffee house with *Book of Jebb* performing. The event is Saturday, Feb 22 from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the church (1444 Southwest Blvd. in Kansas City). The fundraiser is for a MCC Mission trip to Colombia, South America.

The 5th concert of the Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring SHEL, a group of four sisters, whose "Chamber-grass" music displays precise and complex vocal harmonies and nuanced ensemble playing, will be Sunday, February 9 at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. Join us for an evening of great music and good food in a prairie garden setting. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. Call 620-327-8127 to reserve your seats.

Fri., Feb. 7, and Sat., Feb. 8 – John McCabe-Juhnke's Prison Theater Pilot Project presents "Inside Story," 7:30 p.m. both nights in Krehbiel Auditorium. Professor McCabe-Juhnke directed 10 Bethel College students and six inmates of Hutchinson Correctional Facility in putting together a collection of monologues and dialogues based on previously published stories and short dramatic sketches as well as their own journal entries during the month. "Inside Story" was presented twice at HCF; in the Bethel College version, students will take some of the roles played by inmates. (Tickets at Bethel College Bookstore, 316-284-5205, M-F, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., or at the door.)