

Camp Mennoscah Announcements

Registration forms can be found at www.campmennoscah.org under Camps.
Contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) with questions.

There's one month before Camp Mennoscah's summer youth camps explode onto the scene. We've got camps for those going into 3rd grade through High School—and we want them filled to the brim with energetic, witty, and brilliant campers. (That means YOU!) Activities include worship, crafts, swimming, river play and just about a bazillion more things. It's a summer of adventures!

Planning for the future! Camp Mennoscah is looking ahead to August 10 when we are going to be jamming and jiving at our annual Camp Sing! Join us for a hootin' good evening of singing, popcorn, generic pop and good Camp Mennoscah camaraderie! Start time is 6pm at a place yet to be determined. Put it on your calendar and start practicing actions to all those camp songs!

Dish it Up! Camp Mennoscah is looking for a few cooks to provide a main course, casserole-type dish for meals during our summer staff orientation week (June 1-8). This will make preparing meals easier for the staff, allowing us more time together in training. We'll provide side dishes and whatnot. Thanks for helping us provide a great experience for all our summer guests!

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

Cell phone (emergency or critical pastoral care need only) 267-374-9419

Day off: Friday

Associate Pastor, Derek King

Cell Phone: 717-201-1147; dking@edenmennonite.org

Day off: Tuesday

*“Since my mother gave birth to me,
you have been my God”
(Psalm 22:10)*



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Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas
Website: www.edenmennonite.org

Dave Stevens, Lead Pastor

Derek King, Associate Pastor

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Mother's Day

Meditation before worship: *"I have calmed and quieted my soul like a child in its mother's embrace."* (Psalm 131:2)

Pre-service Music

Karen Kaufman

Welcome and Announcements

Bonita Howard

Recognition of Derek's Licensing

Clarence Rempel, WDC Minister

Special Music

M-O-T-H-E-R by Theodore Morse
Accompanist: Candy Unrau

Deb Lichti

***Congregational Singing**

Here I am to Worship (on the screen)

All in all (on the screen)

Guitar: Dave Stevens; Piano; Candy Unrau;

Vocalists: Emily Knight, Michelle Schrag

Children's Time

Katie Gillmore

***Congregational Singing**

HWB 174

Bless'd be the God of Israel

HWB 151 (A Cappella)

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord

Message

"God's beautiful threat" (Luke 7:36-50)

Pastor Dave

Prayers/Confession

Pastor Derek

Offering/Offertory

His eye is on the sparrow by Charles H. Gabriel

Soloist: Deb Lichti; Accompanist: Candy Unrau

***Blessing**

Song of Sending

STJ 74 (A Cappella)

Now go in peace

Percussion: Dave Stevens, Jacob Ewy

Postlude

HWB – Hymnal a *Worship Book* (blue book); STS - *Sing the Story* (purple book);

STJ - *Sing the Journey* (green 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! A special greeting today to moms, grandmas and mother-figures. The relationships that bless our lives are gifts of God's love.

Alleluia!

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 Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

If you are a graduate, or you have a graduate in your family, please contact the church office and let us know at 620-345-8320, (leave a message on voicemail after hours), or email info to edenmc@mtelco.net. No graduates' names will be printed without notification from you.

The library is taking suggestions for how to be a better resource for you. A box and suggestion slips are on the table in the library.

The choir season will soon be coming to a close and the Choral Society will be looking for volunteers to provide special music for Sunday morning worship. Openings will be available beginning on Sunday, May 11, 2014. If you would like to participate in this special music ministry here at Eden, please contact Debi Lichti as soon as possible. Please notify either by phone at 620-345-6554, or e-mail at dlichti@tmagrain.com or debralichti@gmail.com.

Sunday school classes with Mission Partners: please take an offering for your mission partner today and turn it in to the church office.

Coming soon! Children's Day 2014! The children will lead us in a joyous time of worship with a playground blessing. During the Sunday school hour all kids will enjoy games and activities led by Pastor Derek and the youth. No Jr. Sunday school classes will be held. Adult Sunday school classes are welcome to meet or may enjoy the outdoor atmosphere. Bring lawn chairs if desired. Stay for lunch served by the SEEDS class. Burgers and hot dogs will be dished up hot off the grill with homemade ice cream for dessert.

Eden This Week

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship service Music Celebration Sunday
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg.
Thursday 5:00 p.m. Staff Congregation Relation Team mtg.

Looking Ahead

May 26 Memorial Day – Eden Church Office Closed
May 27 Eden Church Office begins summer hours (mornings only)
May 27-30 6:00- 8:00 p.m. Associated Churches VBS at West Zion
May 28 7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission mtg.
May 30 7:15 p.m. Associated Churches VBS finale at West Zion
June 1 Children's Day, playground dedication
June 2 8:00 p.m. Christian Ed/Discipleship Commission mtg.
June 3 11:30 a.m. Mary Martha Circle meets at Panda Kitchen

Last Sunday, May 4, 2014

Worship: 212; Sunday School: 106
Offering: \$9,742.70

Next Sunday, May 18, 2014

Children's Story: Berni Kaufman
Nursery: Pat and Bruce Stucky

Remember in Prayer

Leda Kaufman: Newton Med. Ctr.

Western District Conference: Pray for Associate Pastor Derek King as he is licensed towards ordination at Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge, KS.

It is time for Farmer's Market to begin for 2014. The first Saturday market will be May 17th from 8-11 am. The first Tuesday market will be June 3rd from 5-7 pm. We will be at the Agricultural Museum at 402 W. Cole. We hope to provide the community with locally grown produce and homemade items all summer long. New vendors and buyers are welcome all summer also. For any questions, call Linda Goering at 345-2899.

Hey cookie bakers! Here's an opportunity for you to share with the community. Eden has been asked to provide 25 dozen Snicker Doodle cookies. There is a sign-up sheet on the literature table in the Fellowship Hall. Bring them church on May 25, or take them to West Zion by Tuesday, May 27. If you have questions, contact Berni Kaufman. Thank you for sweetening up our community by participating in VBS.

Pine Village is adding a new event to their Benefit Day Season – Pulled Pork and Baby Back Ribs Dinner! The Dinner will be May 31 from 5-7 p.m. at the Wellness Center. It will be by free will donation. But you can place take-home orders of ribs and pulled pork by the pound early. Pre-Order forms are available on the literature table in the fellowship hall or Pine Village. Pre-Orders must be turned into Pine Village by **May 16**.

Calling all kids and grown-ups who want to act like kids...VBS is almost here! Registration forms are now available at the local churches, Cradle to Crayons, and the Moundridge Library. You can also fill out volunteer and child registrations online at <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/MoundridgeVBS>. **Weird Animals VBS is May 27-30, 6:00-8:10 PM, at West Zion.** There will be a training session for all volunteers on Sunday, May 18 at 6:30 PM at West Zion. The community is invited to see what VBS is all about on Friday, May 30 at 7:15 PM (West Zion). Contact Berni Kaufman if you have questions. Registration forms are on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale annual meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 29, 6:30 p.m. at Ebenfeld MB Church, 1498 Kanza Road, Hillsboro. The meal is \$15 a plate. Please let your Church Relief Sale liaison know if you wish to attend by **May 18**. Or, contact Barb Reeves at 620-543-6863 or bj.reeves@live.com

Prayers for Mennonite Church USA at AMBS-Great Plains. On Fridays through May 30, from 12:00-12:30 p.m. all are invited to prayers for Mennonite Church USA and church leaders. Meet at the AMBS-Great Plains Classroom at the 2500 Place building in North Newton. The prayer time, led by Peter Goerzen will follow the guide developed by AMBS professor David Miller, with praise, confession and intercession based on Scripture.

The Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will be singing June 8 at Presser Hall at Bethany College in Lindsborg at 4:00 p.m.

Mother's Day Concert: Sunday, May 11, at 4:00 p.m. featuring McPherson Community Brass Choir and Quintet, directed by Jerry Toews and featuring Jeff Pelischek, clarinet soloist, and Jean Hendricks, pianist soloist. The concert is at McPherson Church of the Brethren, 200 N. Carrie.

Newton Et Cetera Shop needs your donations! Bring gently-used clothing, household goods, bikes, and furniture to the alley door Monday-Friday from 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thanks for supporting Mennonite Central Committee and local community efforts by donating to Et Cetera Shop.

Shine Launch! Mark your calendars for June 22 at 3 p.m. for a rousing introduction to the new faith formation curriculum from MennoMedia. Singing, worship, hand-on activities will help teachers and parents get acquainted with this tool for pre-school through grade 8. Location: Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church, Wichita.

Summer Staff or Volunteer Opportunity at Wilderness Wind, Ely, MN: Wilderness Wind is looking for one more support staff person to work at base camp this summer. Work will include things like introducing campers to Wilderness Wind, general grounds-keeping, assisting in the kitchen, cleaning, and organizing gear. Please email director@wildernesswind.org or call (218) 365-5873 for more info and an application. Spread the word!

Sun., May 11 – Concert by Open Road, Bethel College a cappella men's ensemble, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall. (Open Road members: Cody Claassen, Matthew Graber, Riley King, Ben Kreider, Carl Lehmann, Chase Stucky, Taylor Stucky, Aaron Tschetter and Braden Unruh)

If you are from the South Central Kansas area, we encourage you to ride the bus to Texas for Western District Assembly 2014 (July 4-6). It's a great way to care about the earth and practice stewardship! The cost could be as little as \$58, but we need you to sign up by **June 3!** Go to www.mennowdc.org, and click on Annual Assembly for all the details and to register.

The annual Public Faculty Lecture sponsored by the Bethel College Women's Association will be June 5 at 7:00 p.m. at Bethel College Krehbiel Auditorium. Geri Tyrell, Assistant Professor of Nursing, will be the featured speaker. Her presentation will illustrate the experiences that Bethel College students have had in travel to Haiti over the last three years, and will focus on the opportunities for students to develop critical thinking skills, resource management, and an appreciation for Haitian culture. The public is cordially invited to the meeting and the reception which follows.

Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City – Are you getting ready for the 2015 convention in Kansas City, from June 30-July 5? If you've got questions about what convention is all about, and how it will interface with the Mennonite World Conference Assembly Gathered, check out this helpful list of frequently-asked questions and answers: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/convention-411/faqs/>

Mennonite Church USA - KC2015 Convention - June 30-July 5, 2015: Programming for the children is an important aspect of the whole convention week experience. This experience at convention helps children connect to the broader church at an early age while at the same time making it possible for parents/guardians to participate in worship, seminars, delegate sessions, etc. The parents can drop off their children at the designated children's program area knowing that their children will receive excellent care while playing and learning about God. To make this important program a success we need your help in finding someone to coordinate or assist the coordinator for the Infant/Toddler program. If you know of someone in your congregation who would be interested in this role, please contact Carol Epp at Carole@mennoniteusa.org or by calling [574-523-3048](tel:574-523-3048) (direct), [1-866-866-2872](tel:1-866-866-2872) ext. [23048](tel:1-866-866-2872) (toll free). She would be happy to give you more details and a job description.

An Invitation to join Mennonite Mission Network board and staff for a Celebration of Mission – On Saturday, June 7, 6:30 p.m., at Shalom Mennonite Church, 800 E. 1st St., Newton, Kan., Mennonite Mission Network will celebrate God's mission in Africa with a special offering and dessert reception. Hear stories and testimonies about the deep connection that Kansans have with God's work across Africa. Speakers to include Stanley Green, James Krabill, and Joe and Anna Liechty Sawatzky. **RSVP by Friday, May 30**, to Karen Ritchie at KarenR@MennoniteMission.net or 1-866-866-2872, ext. 23003 (toll-free, direct) would be appreciated.

The Second Mile (Sermon Thoughts for Reflection and Discussion)
“God’s Beautiful Threat (Luke 7:36-50)”
May 11, 2014

- 1) What have your experiences of God been like? Have they been quiet or dramatic or some of both?

- 2) What do you think of Jesus’ concept that the more one is forgiven the more one loves, and the less one is forgiven the less one loves? How have you experienced this in yourself? Others?

- 3) Has God ever surprised you? What was that like? Does anything about God make you feel uncomfortable? In what area of your life is God calling you to be open to the unexpected?

- 4) Who is God calling you to “rename”? Is there something about yourself that God is calling you to rename?