

Mennonite Central Committee U.S. and the Peace and Justice Support Network of Mennonite Church USA invites you to “Conversations for Peace in Palestine and Israel,” at Journey Mennonite Church on Friday, Sept 5, 7-9 p.m. and Hesston Mennonite Church on Saturday, Sept 6, 9:30-11:30 a.m. J. Daryl Byler, a former MCC representative in the Middle East and current executive director for Eastern Mennonite University’s Center for Justice and Peacemaking will share from his experience and facilitate the conversation.

Help needed at Newton Et Cetera Shop: Serve Mennonite Central Committee and your local community by clerking at Et Cetera Shop! Clerks are needed for morning, afternoon, and evening shifts. Call 283-9461 or email manager@newtonetceterashop.com.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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Check out our website at www.edenmennonite.org

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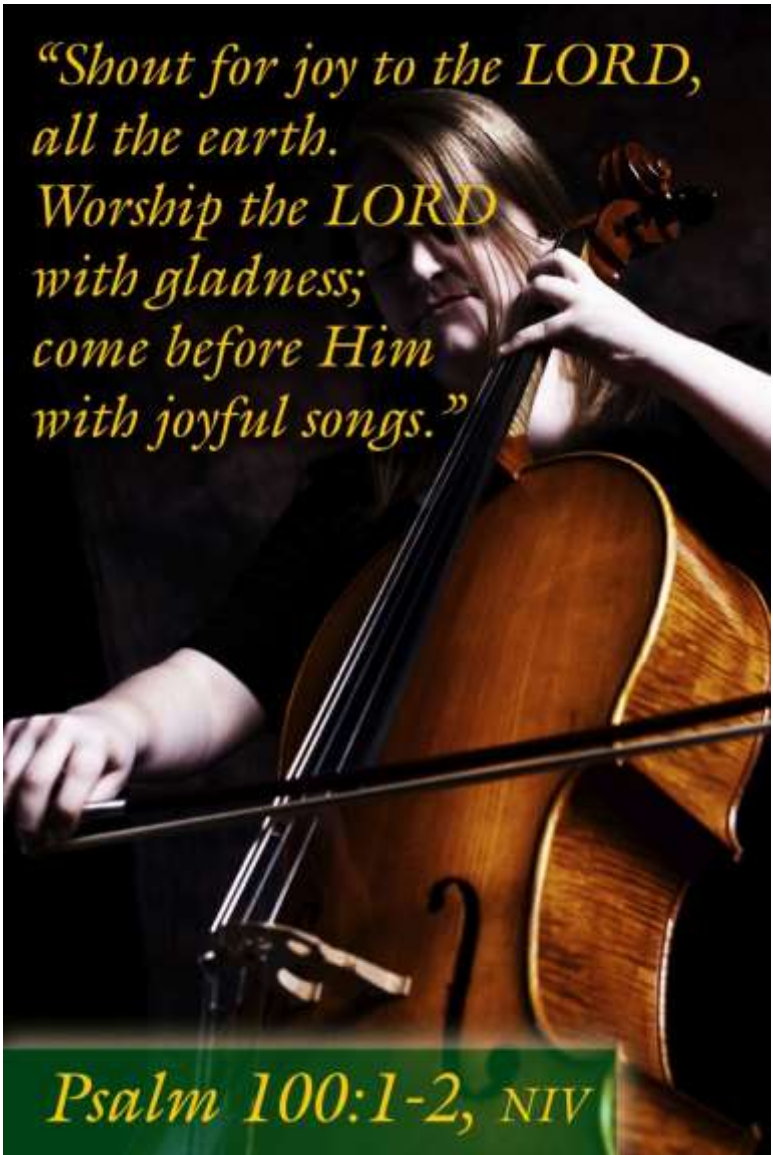
Cell phone (emergency or critical pastoral care need only) 267-374-9419

Day off: Friday

Associate Pastor, Derek King

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Day off: Tuesday

A woman with long brown hair is playing a cello. She is wearing a dark top. The background is dark, and the lighting is focused on her and the instrument. The cello is a rich, warm brown color. The woman's expression is serene and focused.

*“Shout for joy to the LORD,
all the earth.*

*Worship the LORD
with gladness;
come before Him
with joyful songs.”*

Psalm 100:1-2, NIV

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Walking with God, Week 10

Pre-Worship Music

Sondra Tolle

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Dave

Songs

Led by Pastor Derek

***HWB 1**

What is this place

***HWB 6**

Here in this place

Time with Children

Larry Temple

Where's the Walking Stick?

Pastor Dave

Year of the Bible Announcement

Pastor Derek

Scripture Reading

Psalm 100

Chelsey Knight

Songs

***STJ 13**

Lord Jesus you shall be my song

***STJ 18**

Over my head

Gift of Music

Hearts 4 Him

Resting from our Walking

Prayers of God's People

Offering/Offertory

Sondra Tolle

Blessing

***Sending Song STJ 73**

The Lord lift you up

***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. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too.
Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth,
we count ourselves blessed by your presence.

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 Pat and Bruce Stucky for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

Is working with children one of your spiritual gifts you would be willing to share? Our Jr. Sunday school classes are in need of teachers for the 2014 - 2015 school year. Your commitment would include sharing Sunday teaching responsibilities with three other teachers. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to make a difference. Sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.

Do you enjoy visiting with your friends and neighbors? If so, the Deacons encourage you to prayerfully consider the following opportunity to serve. We are in need of individuals or couples who would be willing to assist Pastors and Deacons by visiting those in our midst who may be in need of a friendly face and a visit from someone at Eden. The only job requirements are a smile on your face, a listening ear, concern for your congregation and available time. There are no official time limits to your commitment and your brothers and sisters in Christ will be edified by your participation. Please contact one of the Deacons or Pastors if you're willing to assist in this way.

Did you enjoy Bike to Church Sunday last year? We are looking for someone to organize the fun and festivities. Get in touch with Katie Gillmore.

It's almost time for the choirs to begin their 2014-2015 season. All ages and all skill levels are welcome with open arms! Come experience the joy of low-pressure. It's fun. It's satisfying. Beginning Wednesday Sep 3: 7:30 p.m. – Ladies Chorus; 8:00 p.m.: Mixed Chancel Choir; 8:45 p.m.: Men's Chorus. Choose to join one or more choir and bring your friends!

The August *Eden Echoes* has been printed and is available on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

Many thanks to all who participated in the information meeting for the Western District Conference Survey last Sunday.

Eden This Week

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school

Looking Ahead

Aug 31 Backpack blessing during worship
Sep 1 8:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship mtg.
Sep 2 9:00 a.m. Mary Martha all day meeting
Sep 7 8:00 a.m. Mentor/Mentee breakfast and fellowship
Sep 10 Wednesday night activities begin
6:00 p.m. Supper
6:45 p.m. Bible Study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Mixed Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
Sep 13 9:00 a.m. Eden Leadership Team
Sep 17 6:45 p.m. Bible Study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Mixed Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
Sep 18 Staff Congregation Relations Team mtg.
Sep 22 7:00 p.m. Deacons/Pastors mtg.
Sep 24 6:45 p.m. Bible Study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Mixed Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Last Sunday, Aug 17, 2014

Worship: 241, S.S.: 173

Offering: \$6,860.00

Next Sunday, Aug 31

Year of the Bible Kickoff

Backpack blessing
Children's Story: Mark and Gail Stucky
Nursery: Carina and Brent Knight
Music: Nikki Modellmog and Dennis Hardin

Remember in Prayer

Beth Goering: Beginning Chemo treatments in Minneapolis

Vic Goering: Wesley Medical Center

Elda Kaufman: Newton Medical Center

Western District Conference: Pray for the Discernment Task Force of Western District Conference as they compile hundreds of survey returns in response to the resolution from Rainbow Mennonite Church and prepare to

Geraldine Wedel (81) passed away on Sunday, August 17 at Mercy Hospital. Services were held at Eden on Friday, August 22. We extend our sympathy to her children, Randy, Peggy (Doug), Brad (Juli), Ross and all of her extended family.

Mentors and Mentees, come to church extra early on Sunday, Sept. 7, for breakfast and fellowship. We'll be meeting in the fellowship hall at 8:00 a.m.

We are in need of shuttle bus drivers for the State Fair. The date we are responsible for is Friday, September 12. A free parking and admission ticket will be furnished for each driver. The driving shifts are for three hours and there are four different time slots. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. This service will help pay some of the expenses for the MCC sale.

It's time for Mary Martha Circle to start our workdays. We will meet on Tuesday, September 2. We meet from about 9:00 until 3:30. We will be packing school kits, embroidering, making greeting cards, quilting, tying blankets. Lunch is a covered dish. Project – school kits. Guests are always welcome – come when you can, stay as long as you can.

Please bring your nonperishable and monetary donations for the food bank/pantry the first Sunday of the month and place them in the containers provided in the library. All will be split between the Moundridge Food Pantry and the McPherson County Food Bank.

The Pine Village Garage Sale will be Sep 26-27, 2014. Donations will be accepted again this year. We encourage you to begin cleaning out your store rooms and garages of those items you no longer use and donate them to this benefit Garage Sale. The only items that will not be accepted are adult clothes. All proceeds will go toward the remodeling of the extremely outdated bathing rooms in The Neighborhoods. As we approach closer to the date more information will be available, but if you have any questions in the meantime, please contact Pine Village at 620.345.2901.

August is Kansas Farmers Market Month. The Moundridge Farmers Market has been operating for four years, and anticipate being open until early October this year. We have 9-10 vendors on a regular basis. Vendors have brought seasonal garden produce, jellies, jams, honey, salsa, hummus, fresh breads, cookies, cinnamon rolls, cakes, and pies. We also have homemade jewelry. We have a variety each market time. There has been a variety of tomatoes, including red, yellow and green ones, and heirlooms which are ripe when they are red on the bottom and green on the top. We've had large slicers, paste tomatoes and the bite sized snackers. Come check out what we have and what is in season. We are open Tuesdays from 5-7pm and Saturdays from 8-11am. We are located at 402 W Cole at the Agricultural Museum. We enjoy sharing fresh produce and homemade food items with those who enjoy these foods.

Join the Volunteers! Camp Mennoscah's annual Work & Play Camp is Sep 14-17 and everyone of all ages is invited. We'll spend a few days doing a variety of tasks from sewing to painting to sorting to singing to having coffee breaks--all in the name of fellowship and reviving the camp grounds after a long summer. There is no cost for this retreat, but please let us know that you are attending. Contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for more information.

Mental Health Spiritual Retreat--All are welcome to join us at Camp Mennoscah for the Mental Health Spiritual Retreat on Aug. 31-Sept. 1. The retreat is for those affected by mental illness, including family and friends. We'll spend the weekend in fellowship with the theme of Finding Your True Self. Activities include a hayrack ride, swimming, and sessions with Laurie Oswald Robinson, inspirational speaker. Contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for more information.

The Moundridge Senior Center Annual Benefit Fish Fry, is Tuesday, August 26 from 5-7 PM. at the Moundridge Senior Center. The menu includes fresh fried fish, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, homemade rolls homemade pies, and ice cream. Not reservations are needed. Everyone is welcome. The proceeds will help pay for the renovation projects in the kitchens, bathrooms and quilt room. Donations appreciated. There are matching funds from the McPherson County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Mennonite Central Committee would like to invite you on a Learning Tour to Kenya. On February 7-17, 2015 you will discover, first-hand, Sand Dams at work and see other MCC supported programs in the areas of health, education and peace. The estimate cost for this learning tour is \$1110 per person, which includes food, lodging, and in-country transportation. Airfare needs to be purchased separately. Space is very limited. For more information contact Anna Yoder by Monday September 22, 2014 at annayoder@mcc.org or 316.283.2720.

Free informational seminars for women: Women and money is a series of lunchtime presentations (noon to 1 p.m.) coordinated by Everence, scheduled for four Wednesdays – Sept. 3, 10, 17 and 24 – at Hesston Public Library. Topics are “Taking the lead – women in the modern-day workplace,” “Living generously – within your means,” “Leaving something – for those you leave behind” and “Investing in your future – avoid the bag lady blues.” Light lunch will be served. To reserve a spot, contact Darlene Buller of Everence at (620) 327-4043 or darlene.buller@everence.com.

Harvest Giving - An opportunity to share the fruits of your labor with others around the world through Mennonite Central Committee. Harvest Giving envelopes can be found on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

We want to make sure if money raised through CROP is intended for MCC that all checks be written to “MCC CROP” and sent to MCC U.S. PO Box 500 Akron, PA 17501. If you have questions please contact Maynard Knepp at maynardknepp@mcc.org or Anna Yoder at annayoder@mcc.org.

The [FloraKansas Fall Plant Sale](#) will be held September 5-7, 2014, at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. Kansas' largest native plant sale offering many species of wildflowers and grasses many of which are rare in cultivation. A large selection of adaptable perennials is also available. Memberships can be purchased on the day of the sale and participate in the members only sale on Thursday, Sep 4, 1 to 7 p.m. Current Dyck Arboretum members receive a 10% discount at all arboretum plant sales. For more information, call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) or visit www.dyckarboretum.org.

Support the MCC Bike Hike! On Sep 4, 5, 6 and 7, thirty people from Colorado, South Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, Kansas, Iowa and Illinois will meet in the Black Hills to participate in a 175 mile bike ride or 40 mile hike to raise money for Mennonite Central Committee's Indigenous Vision Center. You are invited to support the rider or hiker of your choice by pledging per mile or per participant. Checks can be sent to MCC Central States, PO Box 235, N. Newton, KS 67117. Please mark the check with participant's name (if applicable) and Bike/Hike. Contact Elizabeth Janssen at elizabethjanssen@mcc.org or 605-925-4859 with questions.

Newton Et Cetera Shop has a job opening for a half-time back door receiver and general maintenance person. Key qualifications: available 1-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, good with people, ability to lift and carry heavy items, dependable, values in line with Mennonite Central Committee. Spanish language skills a plus. To apply, call 283-9461 by Sep 15.



Year of the Bible is coming!

On Sunday, August 31 Eden will launch a whole year devoted to learning, celebrating and living the Scriptures. Worship will focus on guiding us through God's Grand Story. There will also be opportunities for reading through the Bible over the next year as individuals and in groups. The Eden web site will have additional resources for sharing questions and insights as we engage the biblical narrative together. Click on *Worship With Us* and there is a link for Year of the Bible filled with additional resources. Everyone is encouraged to bring your Bible to worship.

Theme

NT Wright uses the metaphor of a symphony to describe the Bible. A symphony is a complex musical piece that typically includes several movements. These movements are separate pieces within the symphony, yet they are intricately tied together with common strands of notes. Each of these movements adds something more complex to the symphony while at the same time maintaining consistency with the whole sweep of the piece. The Bible can be understood according to the metaphor of a symphony. You are encouraged to read the Bible as a symphony. Allow yourself to get swept away in the beautiful music. Notice the ways in which different movements (books, stories, chapters) add depth and complexity while also following the overarching themes of the whole Bible. Some helpful focus questions could include: *What was the movement of God in the text? What was the movement of humans? What was moved inside you as you read?*

Some Details

On August 31 we will celebrate the beginning of Eden's Year of the Bible. The following week will start our reading through the Bible in the coming year. You can expect to receive a brochure-style bookmark that includes a checklist for each week's readings.

There will also be several ways to respond as you read. Most Sunday morning worship services throughout the year will be focusing on the readings from the previous week. A Sunday School elective will be offered for those who want to discuss the readings from the week and/or the worship service. Wednesday nights will have an option to respond with an open discussion of what is being read and how it is moving us.

For those of you who respond through art, there will be a space where artwork that was inspired by the readings can be displayed. Other ideas for engaging the scriptures are being explored like biblical foods, storytelling, memorization, and more.