

Valentine's Day Volunteering--Folks who love Camp Mennoscah are welcome and invited to show their love of camp in a tangible way on February 14. The day of fun will begin around 9-9:30am and run through the afternoon. We'll feed volunteers lunch and offer you a camp tee shirt. Please let us know you are coming (office@campmennoscah.org or [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290)) so we can let you know if there are any changes.

March 27 and April 24: Spring Seminary Preview Days at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind., are opportunities for people interested in seminary study to meet faculty and students and learn more about study on campus and at a distance. Visit www.ambs.edu/visitAMBS to register or call [800.964.2627](tel:800.964.2627).

Getting ready to retire? Everence Financial will present an informational seminar, Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on three upcoming Mondays – Feb. 9, March 9 and April 13. Everence Financial Advisor Robert Wall will speak on Medicare and Social Security, provide instructions on how to enroll, explain your options if you continue to work and answer related questions. The seminars will take place at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Darlene Buller at (877) 467-7294, (620) 327-4043 or darlene.buller@everence.com.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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For pastoral care needs during non-office hours, listen to the office voicemail greeting at 620-345-8320.





**He is good;
his love
endures
forever.**

2 Chronicles 5:13

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

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Derek King, Associate Pastor

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Thy Symphony of Scripture
Year of the Bible Week 22

Pre-Worship Music Robin Schrag

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Lee

***Call to Worship STS 138**

***Gift of Music** *Lord in the morning* Men's Chorus
Becky Clark, director; Bonita Howard, accompanist

Time with Children Jill Zerger, Avery Schrag, Gentry Regier

Offering/Offertory

Please give your coins for the *My Coins Count* to one of the children

Gift of Music *Love lifted me* Men's Chorus

***Singing** (Overhead) *You are worthy of my praise*

Message Pastor Derek

Prayers of the people

***Hymn 353 HWB** *Lord, listen to your children praying*

Communion

***Hymn 111 STS** *For me to live is Christ*

***Benediction**

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 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 JoLene Kaufman & Tim Regehr for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

The Education/Discipleship Commission is looking for a Moundridge Community Bible School representative. Please see Katie Gillmore or any member of the Education/Discipleship Commission if interested.

The ELT met with Dorothy Nickel Friesen to evaluate our first year of the new structure at Eden. We evaluated whether the commissions and ELT accomplished what they set out to do. The commissions are to look over their job descriptions and make changes to bring to the ELT retreat with Dorothy on Jan. 31, 2015 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. We will be bringing questions to the congregation for accountability. We want to end up with a structure to get congregation approval. There will be a congregation meeting in February with an open discussion to get input as to what the congregation sees as the future of Eden.

If you would like a printout of your giving for last year, please contact the church office 345-8320. Printouts will not be printed unless you request them.

Did you know that kids and churches collecting spare change for MCC bring in \$600,000 each year? Your coins do count!

The Mennonite Agri-Urban Banquet and annual meeting will be held Saturday, February 7, at 6:00 p.m. at Eden. Everyone involved or interested in the Agri-Urban program is invited. No signup is required.

The IF Gathering will take place Feb 6 & 7 at Countryside Covenant. Please let Shayna Smith [620-386-0600](tel:620-386-0600) or Britney Stos [620-386-0072](tel:620-386-0072) know if you would like more information or need any help registering.

If you are qualified and willing to help in case of a medical emergency at church, please contact Joe Lichti.

The January/February Eden Echoes has been printed and is available on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
- Monday** 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.
- Tuesday** Noon—Mary Martha mtg. and program
- Wednesday** 6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at First Mennonite
6:00 p.m. meal at Eden
6:45 p.m. Service Project
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Mixed Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Looking Ahead

- Feb 7:** FEWZ serves evening meal at Soup Kitchen in Hutchinson
6:00 p.m. Agri-Urban Supper at Eden
- Feb 8:** Noon FEWZ fundraiser meal at First Mennonite
6:30 p.m. Eden game night at PV wellness center
- Feb 11:** 6:00 p.m. FEWZ
6:45 Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Feb 12:** 7:00 p.m. ELT mtg. at church
- Feb 15:** Noon Student Grant Committee fundraiser meal
Congregational meeting following the meal
- Feb 18:** 6:45 p.m. Ash Wednesday service at Eden
- Feb 25:** 6:45 Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Feb 20-28:** Pastor Derek on vacation

Last Sunday, Jan 25, 2015

Worship Attendance: 197; SS: 132

Offering: \$6,081.00

Next Sunday, Feb 8, 2015

Nursery: Rashelle & Matt Schrag

Music: Chancel Choir

Children's Story: Kyle & Sarah Neufeld

Remember in Prayer

Nile Burge: Dismissed from McPherson Hospital

Tim & Terry Regehr grieving after the death of their half-brother Mike Harris

Anne Schrag: Mercy Hospital

Western District Conference: Thank God for the ministry of Gilberto Flores, Associate Conference Minister in Texas, who will finish handing off his work to Howard Garver this month. Pray for a smooth transition.

Myron "Jim" Graber (76) passed away on Wednesday, Jan 28 at McPherson Hospital. Services were held at Eden on Saturday, Jan 31. We extend our sympathy to his wife Valeria, his daughters Melanie and Terri and all of his extended family.

Edith Flickinger (80) passed away on Friday, Jan 23 at The Cedars in McPherson. Services were held at Eden on Thursday, Jan 29. We extend our sympathy to her husband Floyd and all of her family.

The 2014 Report Book has been printed and is available to be picked up from the literature table in the fellowship hall. **Remember:** Only a few were printed this year to save on costs and paper. A copy can be found on our website at www.edenmennonite.org. Click on *about* then click on *resources* and it will come up on the resources page.

In the event of inclement weather, ushers will be available at the west doors to park your cars.

The Eden contact committee for this year's MCC Sale is: Ryan and Kylie Goering, Josh and Emily Regier, Jerry and Linda Schrag. From now until the sale you will find MCC information on the table set up by the library. Announcements will be made Sunday mornings as we receive information needing immediate attention or in the bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact committee members.

Get out your Rook deck, Pit game, or favorite game and come to the Pine Village wellness center on Feb 8 at 6:30. Bring your game, snack and/or a 2 liter of pop. If you don't want to play games, come and watch the action, or visit with fellow church members. If you have questions, contact Gary and Bo Howard or Bret and Marla Gillmore.

Mary Martha will host a salad luncheon at 12:00 noon on February 3. A program will follow by Derek and Becky King.

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.

For those interested in making or donating quilts for the MCC Quilt Auction, you will need to have those taken to the MCC Center by March 16th. The quilt forms can be printed from the Mennonite Relief Sale website. Please be sure to have the form filled out and attached to your quilt.

Plan to let the Student Grant Committee and Chuck Knight do the cooking for the noon meal on Sunday, Feb 15. We will be raising money to help fund scholarships for Eden college students who are attending Mennonite Church USA colleges. The menu will include pulled pork sandwiches, beans, chips, and lots and lots of cakes. Hope to see you there for food, fellowship, and a chance to catch up with our busy college students.

Join us on Wednesday, February 4 for a time of serving together as we create cheery door decorations for Pine Village! Meal served at 6:00 pm with service project time to follow, approximately 6:45 pm.

The Western District Conference Basketball Tournament is March 16-17 & 19-21. If you are interested in forming a team, please contact Brandon Kaufman.

Don't forget to bring your non-perishable and or monetary donations the first Sunday of the month and place them in the containers in the library. All will be split between the McPherson County Food Bank and the Moundridge Food Pantry.

Everyone is invited to the 2015 Mennonite Disaster Service All-Unit Meeting, "A Touch Of Love Awakens A Taste Of Hope", Feb 13 & 14, 2015 in Hartville, Ohio. For registration go to www.mds.mennonite.net, or contact Region 3 Directors: Al Kroeker – cell - 620-960-3707; Jan Kroeker – cell – 620-585-2234

Learn with MCC! Everyone is invited to this special Mennonite Central Committee event on Saturday, Feb 28 at 9:00 a.m. in the Luyken Fine Arts Center on the Bethel College Campus in North Newton. MCC Central States program staff is teaming up with MCC U.S. staff to provide resources and a time of mutual learning on the topics of: Immigration, sexualized and gender based violence, Doctrine of Discovery and Indigenous people and militarization within the U.S. Lunch at Mojo's Coffee Shop (also on the Bethel campus) will follow the seminars. Mark your calendars to join us. If you plan to attend, please email tinaschrag@mcc.org or call 316-283-2720.

Nationally recognized artist Ted Swartz of Ted & Co. Theatre Works brings the scriptures alive in *"I'd Like to Buy and Enemy,"* a hilarious and poignant satire that explores peace, justice and the American way. The play is part of the 2015 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS), Sat., Feb. 14 at 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church. Tickets are \$12 general admission at the door, or free with conference registration.

Sat., Feb. 7 – Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk; meet at 8:30 a.m. in the museum parking lot, Main & 27th Streets, North Newton, for a 1- to 1.5-hour walk on Sand Creek Trail with experienced birder Gregg Friesen; binoculars helpful but not required.

The Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) conference is Feb 13-15 at Hesston College, "Overcoming Evil: Ordinary People Making a Difference." Keynote speaker Father John Dear, internationally known voice for peace and 2008 Nobel Peace Prize nominee, will lead participants to understand Biblical foundations for justice and the peace of Jesus to overcome the evil common to us all. Additional information/registration at www.hesston.edu/avds or call [620-327-8109](tel:620-327-8109). Registration brochures are available on the literature table in the fellowship hall or register online.

Thank you for your generous donations to the Moundridge Food Pantry this past year. With your support we served food boxes to 57 families, for a total of 141 people. We continue to need donations of canned fruit, boxes of cereal, peanut butter, canned meat, instant potatoes and soda crackers. Cash donations are also accepted.

Newton Et Cetera Shop is seeking a half-time back door receiver and general maintenance person. This is a paid position. Must be available 1-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, good with people, able to lift heavy items, dependable, values in line with Mennonite Central Committee. Spanish language skills a plus. To apply, call 283-9461.

The Offender/Victim Ministries Annual Dinner & Meeting will be held Feb 16 at the Meridian Center, 1420 E. Broadway, Newton. The cost for the meal is \$11 per person. RSVP if you plan to be there. Reservations can be made by calling 316.283.2038 or email ovm.ks@sbcglobal.net.

First Mennonite Church of Halstead invites you to their Verenike Supper Feb 21, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in Stauffer Hall, 427 W. 4th St. Menu includes: verenike, ham gravy, sausage, green beans, zwiebach, cherry moos, pie, relishes and beverages. Cost is by donation.