The Annual Pine Village Corporation meeting will be Tuesday, March 3 with dinner beginning at 6 p.m. and the meetings at 6:30 p.m. If you are a corporation member (donated \$200 or more to Pine Village or the Memorial Home Endowment Foundation in your lifetime) you are invited to attend and vote on new board members as well as take part in recognition of a Volunteer of the Year and honor employees for their years of service. The meal will be catered by Knackie's. Please RSVP to Teresa at 345.2901 by Feb. 19.

Mennonite Church USA now has a mobile app, and if you're planning to attend convention this summer, you'll want to download it soon to get all the latest updates. On your mobile device, search for the "Mennonite Church USA" app, and view the KC2015 event! Thanks to the Mennonite colleges for sponsoring the development of this app.

Spend your summer at Camp Mennoscah! We're looking for summer staff for our summer youth camps. Buff up your resume with a job that helps you develop as a leader, communicate with others, learn group management, and totally have a blast! Contact us at <u>620-297-3290</u> or find the application form online at <u>www.campmennoscah.org</u> in Resources. We're hoping to have positions filled by March 15, so send those forms in as soon as possible!

Mennonite Disaster Service volunteer needs in neighboring states. Pilger, NE: Head Cook, Assistant Cook and Crew Leader: Mar 2-27; Jamestown, CO: Head Cook and Assistant Cook: April and May. For information about volunteer opportunities, call (800) 241-8111. Week-long volunteers may email lebersole@mds.mennonite.net. To volunteer for more than a week contact bschrag@mds.mennonite.net. To see volunteer opportunities in other areas of the US and Canada go to www.mds.mennonite.net.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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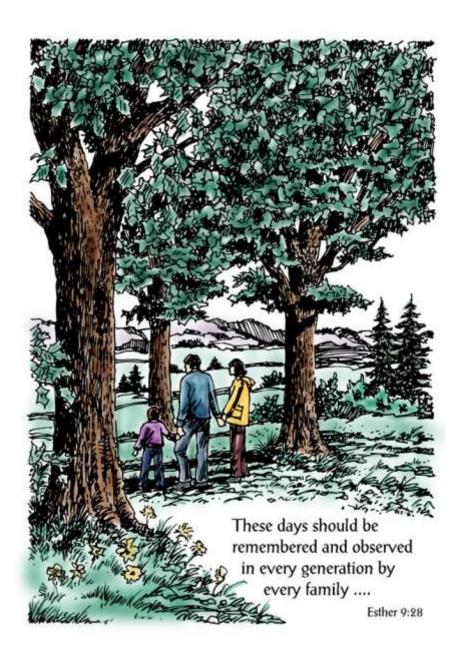
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Day off: Tuesday

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





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Thy Symphony of Scripture Year of the Bible Week 25

Pre-Worship Music Candace Unrau

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Lee

*Responsive Call to Worship/Invocation Psalm150

Leader: Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his heavenly dwelling;

People: praise him in his mighty heaven!
Leader: Praise him for his mighty works;
People: praise his unequaled greatness!

Leader: Praise him with the blast of the trumpet; **People:** praise him with the lyre and harp,

Leader: praise him with tambourine and dancing,

People: praise him with the stringed instruments and flutes!

Leader: praise him with the clash of cymbals,

People: praise him with the loud clanging cymbals.

Leader: Let everything that lives sing praises to the LORD.

People: Praise the LORD!

*Hymn of Praise HWB 354 Praise the Lord who reigns above

Scripture Reading Psalm 66:5-9 NIV Anna Stucky

*Response Hymn HWB 76 Praise, I will praise you Lord

Gift of Music I Will Joyfully Sing Ladies Chorus

Accompanied by Candy Unrau

Time with Children Katie Gillmore

Offering/Offertory

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

*Congregation Song STJ 27 God of the Bible

Readers' Theater The Story of Esther

Alyssa Goering, Josh Knight, Ben Schrag

Gift of Music Angels Watching Over Me Ladies Chorus

Praise God from whom

*Sending Hymn HWB 118

*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. We come seeking God in his temple, bringing our sacrifices and singing songs of joy (Psalm 27:5-6). Each person's presence adds to our praise.

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 Kathy & Al Neufeld for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

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.

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

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

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.

A Mary Martha workday will be held Tuesday, March 3. Lunch: Covered dish. Project: Health Kits.

Eden This Week

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship service

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:40 a.m. Sunday school

Year of the Bible Food celebration during S.S.

No Jr. Department S.S.

Peace/Witness Commission mtg. during S.S.

Feb 20-28: Pastor Derek on vacation

Wednesday 6:45 Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Looking Ahead

Mar 1: Worship Commission & Committee meeting in sanctuary

Mar 2: 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.

Mar 3: Mary Martha all day meeting

Mar 4: 6:00 p.m. meal

6:45 Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Mar 8: Daylight Saving Time begins

Mar 11: Last Wednesday Night Bible study

7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Mar 12: 7:00 p.m. ELT meeting at Eden

Last Sunday, Feb 15, 2015

Worship Attendance: 200; SS: 187 Offering: \$3,894.00

Next Sunday, Mar 1, 2015

Nursery: Pat and Bruce Stucky
Music: Men's Chorus

Children's Story: Gary and Bonita Howard

Remember in Prayer

Leonard & Juanita Graber, Val Graber and June Graber: Grieving after the death of sister/sister-in-law, Arlene Schrag

Western District Conference: Pray God's blessing on Laura Goerzen who is being ordained to pastoral ministry at First Mennonite Church of Christian, Moundridge, KS, this morning.

Please remember the love offering for our new arrival Althea Pax Harrison. The piggy bank is located on the library table. Althea was born Thursday,

February 12, to Amanda and Cory Harrison and son, Rex. The filled bank will be given to the parent.

The Eden Leadership Team has openings for 2-3 more delegates to the MCUSA conference in Kansas City. If you would like more information please contact Bret Gillmore at 620-585-2525 or bmg@lrmutual.com

Eden Leadership Team is looking for one more member for the Gifts Discernment Team. This is a 2-year commitment and would involve finding members to serve on the various commissions/committees at Eden. For more information please contact Bret Gillmore at 620-585-2525 or bmg@lrmutual.com

No Sunday School for 2 year olds thru 8th grade today, February 22 to allow time for teachers and families to enjoy the Year of the Bible celebration. High school class will meet and adult classes are encouraged to meet as desired.

Today, as part of the Celebration of the Year of the Bible, you are invited to participate in putting together jigsaw puzzles depicting scenes/stories/characters from the Bible. These puzzles will be set up in the fellowship hall and will remain there in the coming weeks to allow for their completion and viewing. Consider coming to the church during the week—as a family, a group of friends, or individually to put together puzzles and visit or meditate. There are also blank puzzles for children and adults, if you would like to create your own puzzle.

The current members on the Worship Commission (Linda Goering, Jill Zerger, Sondra Tolle, Joe Lichti, Jerry Schrag) invite all WC committees to join them for a brief conversation on March 1 after SS in the sanctuary. WC committees include all greeters, ushers/emergency team, musicians (choirs, pianist, organists), children story tellers, church meal organizers, audio visual operators, and worship visuals/decorating committees. We are looking forward to meeting with you!

Opportunities for witness in our local community. The deacons are aware of several needs within the Moundridge area. If you or someone you are aware of could help with these needs, please contact Bonita Howard (620-345-7154).

- 1) babysitter for a 2 yr old: some evening and week-end hours.
- 2) loaner vehicle or low cost vehicle to purchase or
- 3) rides to and from work with a stop along the way at a babysitter, all within the Moundridge city limits--hours could vary.

Please remember your donations for the Moundridge Food Pantry and the McPherson County Food Bank. Bring your non-perishable food items and your monetary donations and place them in the containers provided in the library the first Sunday of the month.

Pine Village will host the 11th Annual Anchor's Banquet on Saturday, March 21 and the 2nd Annual Pulled Pork & Baby Back Rib Dinner will be April 25. More information will be coming soon on both events!

PET Kansas and Hope Haven are planning another PET distribution. If anyone would like to help with expenses to fund special projects like medical supplies, food for the children or widows, or food for the families receiving the PETs make checks to PET Kansas, memo mission trip. Thanks. Kirby and Chris Goering.

Sun., Feb. 22 - Bethel College Alumni Choir concert, 3 p.m., Trinity Heights United Methodist Church, Newton

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.

On Monday, Feb 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains will continue its 2015 Winter Lecture Series with Iralee Barnard speaking about "Grasses of Kansas". The lecture will take place in the Prairie Pavilion, with a soup supper preceding it at 6:00 p.m. in the Visitor's Center. The cost of the lecture is \$2 per person, or supper and the lecture is \$7. Interested persons should call 620-327-8127 by 5 p.m. on Friday before the Monday lecture for supper reservations.

On Saturday, Mar 7, 2015, the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains will host its annual spring educational symposium on the theme of water. Participants will become more informed about the state of Kansas water, what conservation solutions are available for our agricultural systems, municipalities, and landscapes, and how important water is to our state's natural history and eco-tourism. Admission: \$40 for arboretum members or \$50 for non-members (includes a full day of presentations, breakfast, and lunch).

Tues., Feb. 24 – Bethel College Jazz Ensemble I KMEA preview concert, 7:30 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium, Luyken Fine Arts Center.

"Reflections from the Past" will be the theme of the March 8, 2015 Annual Meeting of the Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association. It will be held at the Kingman Mennonite Church on Sunday, March 8, 2015 at 2:30 p.m. The church is located at 1620 South Main Street, Kingman, KS. Members of this church, one of the earliest Swiss Volhynian Churches in Kansas, will share a presentation showing their history over the last 100 years. Clemon Kaufman and panel members, Lee Albrecht, Virgil Ewy, Loretta Voran, and Les Schrag will share some great stories of days gone by. Also Gary Krehbiel will do an impersonation of one of the early pioneers and a charter member of the church. And do you know what the Kingman church(es) had to do with starting Camp Mennoscah? And do you know about the Murdock Mill? And the mysterious quilt will be on display. Refreshments following the meeting. No reservations required. All are welcome.

Women, reserve Thursday, Mar 26, for an evening of fellowship and inspiration at Hesston (KS) Mennonite Church. The annual SPRING SUPPER, for women of all ages of Western District Conference and South Central Conference and their guests, will feature Carolene Jackson, speaker. Carolene has been a public school educator in Oklahoma and now teaches university courses part-time and serves as a literacy coach. Her seven young grandchildren bring her much delight. A light supper will be served at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$6.00 per person. The program will include music by the talented McKinney Sisters from Moundridge. An offering for Mennonite Women USA will be received. Reservations are required by Mar 16. You may contact Amanda Rempel, secretary of WDWM, directly: 316-284-0470 or carempel@sbcglobal.net.

Celebrate Foods of the Bible

The first-century diet was quite healthy. The largest part of their diet consisted of foods made with grains and legumes. In fact, well over 50 percent of their calorie intake came from grains and legumes. Wheat, barley and other grains were significant crops for the Middle East, and grains found their way into breads, stews, porridges and other dishes. Legumes, especially chickpeas, lentils and fava beans, were dried and used as a staple throughout the year (p 32).

We anticipate that you will enjoy this soup. It is easy to make, especially if you use canned chickpeas. It is good as part of a first-century meal and it is just as good as twenty-first century comfort food. Lentils are legumes and are easy to prepare because they do not require prior soaking and cook quickly. Dried lentils are found in most markets and grocery stores. You can use any stock, including vegetable stock.

Chickpeas and Lentil Soup

1/4 c. olive oil 1 onion, chopped

2 garlic cloves, finely minced 2 c. cooked chickpeas or 1 ½ (15 oz) cans,

1 c. dried green lentils, rinsed 1 c. chicken stock 4 c. water ½ t ground cumin

½ t ground coriander ½ t ground mustard seed 2 t salt ¼ t ground pepper

1 bay leaf

To cook dried chickpeas, cover 1 c of chickpeas with water and soak overnight. Drain the chickpeas and place in a 4 qt pot. Cover with water and bring to a boil. Reduce to a simmer. Add a bay leaf and parsley stems for additional flavor. Simmer for 1 hour and drain.

In a large soup pot, heat the olive oil over medium-high heat. Add the onion and sauté. When translucent, add the garlic and sauté for 30 seconds or until translucent. Then add the chickpeas, lentils, stock and water. Bring to a boil and then return to a simmer. Add the rest of the ingredients and continue to simmer for several hours. Remove the bay leaf. Adjust seasonings and serve.

To make the soup thicker or to give it the texture of soup that has been reheated several times: take 2 cups of the soup, making sure to include some chickpeas and lentils, and place in a blender. Or pot. Cover and puree, then return to the rest of the soup. Alternatively, use a hand blender and blend for several seconds.

1st Century Chicken Stock

This is a simple chicken stock recipe and its use will improve the flavor of your soup and legume recipes. Do not use salt so it does not interfere with the seasoning levels of your recipe.

1 onion, roughly chopped 2 sprigs fresh thyme 2 sprigs fresh parsley

1 celery stalk, roughly chopped 1 bay leaf

chicken, cut into 8 pieces

Place all ingredients in a 12-qt stock pot. Cover with water by 2 inches and bring to a boil. Immediately turn down to a simmer and cook for 1 hour. Use a spoon to scrape out

any fat or foam that rises to the surface.

After 1 hour, take the chicken pieces from the pot and carefully remove the chicken meat from the bones. It will be hot. Save the chicken for another use. Crack the bones with a meat clever and return the bones to the stock. Continue to cook for several hours, scraping any fat or foam that rises to the surface.

Partially fill a sink with water and ice. Strain the stock into a large bowl. Place in the ice water until temperature is reduced. Then place in a covered container and refrigerate (p 50-51).

Bread:

Grains are nutritious and can be stored for long periods. Farmers in Galilee and Samaria had extensive fields of barley, wheat and other grains, some of which was exported to cities like Jerusalem and even as far away as Rome.

These grains were mostly used for making bread, but they were also used in a wide variety of other foods. Bread was eaten at every meal, and making and baking bread was a major task in most households. The common people ate bread made from barley flour, while more affluent ate bread that was made with wheat flour. The more refined the flour, the more it cost, and only the wealthiest could afford the white flour that was most like what we have in our grocery stores. (p 14)

Honey: The Bible sometimes refers to a thick fruit syrup as "honey" using the same Hebrew word as the sweetener produced by bees (p 18). Honey was the primary sweetener seen in the ancient world. Dates were chopped and boiled in water. The resulting juice was then strained and boiled to the consistency of honey. Yogurt, fresh fruit and honey would have been a refreshing summer dish. A small amount of honey added to bread dough helped it to rise and gave a slight sweetness to the finished loaf. It was used for desserts, sweet breads and pastries. (p 25)

Grape:

Somewhere between 80 and 90 percent of the people in Galilee were directly involved in agricultural work. Livestock, olives and grapes were their chief products.

Figs:

Figs and dates were especially popular fruits in the first century and continue to be widely grown and eaten in the biblical lands and throughout the Mediterranean and Middle East. Like other fruits, they were eaten fresh or dried, were used to produce wine and syrup (honey), and were pressed into cakes that could be carried to work for lunch or on long trips. Like other fruits, they were added to stews and soups to give a fruity sweetness to the dish. For a special treat, dates were stuffed with cheese or ground nuts. It is difficult to imagine a first-century table without the presence of these two fruits. (p 18)

The Food and Feasts of Jesus: The Original Mediterranean Diet, with Menus and Recipes by Douglas E. Neel and Joel A. Pugh