

**Registration forms for Camp Mennoscah's Scrapbooking Retreats** are now available. These retreats are for scrapbookers of any skill level and are a real hoot! Get out those pictures from last year (or 10 years ago) and spend some time putting those memories down on the page. Go to [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org) or by request at [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org).

**Fri., Feb. 20** – Internationally acclaimed New Testament scholar Bart Ehrman speaks in Bethel College convocation, 11 a.m., Krehbiel Auditorium, Luyken Fine Arts Center. Ehrman is the James A. Gray Distinguished Professor of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

**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](mailto:darlene.buller@everence.com).

**Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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Check out our website at [www.edenmennonite.org](http://www.edenmennonite.org)

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





*I will arise and return to my father.*

**Eden Mennonite Church**  
**Moundridge, Kansas**  
**Website: [www.edenmennonite.org](http://www.edenmennonite.org)**

Lee Suderman, Interim Lead Pastor

Derek King, Associate Pastor

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**Thy Symphony of Scripture**  
**Year of the Bible Week 23**

**Pre-Worship Music** Karen Kaufman

**Welcome and Announcements** Linda Goering

**\*Call to Worship STJ 122**

**\*Hymn of Praise STS 1** *We sing to you, O God*

**The Gift of Music** *To the Lord Who Reigns on High* by G.F. Handel Chancel Choir  
Becky Clark, director; Robin Schrag, accompanist

**Time with Children** Kyle and Sarah Neufeld

**Offering/ Offertory**

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

**\*Acknowledging God's Blessings HWB 119** The Doxology

**Gift of Music** *How Lovely are the Temples* by G.F. Handel Chancel Choir

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 45:1-7

**Message** "Realities of Returning Home" Pastor Lee

**\*Hymn of Response HWB 145** *There's a wideness in God's mercy*

**Prayers of the People**

**\*A Call to Return HWB 491** *Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling*

**\*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. Christ's light shines in our darkness; God's love conquers hate; Spirit-given faith is stronger than fear. So we gather to praise the all-powerful Lord of Life.

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 & Matt Schrag 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.

**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](http://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.

**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.

### **Eden This Week**

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship service  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time  
10:40 a.m. Sunday school  
Noon FEWZ fundraiser meal at First Mennonite  
6:30 p.m. Eden game night at PV wellness center
- Wednesday** 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
- Thursday** 7:00 p.m. ELT mtg. at church

### **Looking Ahead**

- 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
- 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

### **Last Sunday, Feb 1, 2015**

Worship Attendance: 205; SS: 124

Offering: \$7,776.00

### **Next Sunday, Feb 15, 2015**

Nursery: Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas

Music: Ladies Chorus

Children's Story: Kylie, Alyssa, & Sean Goering

### Remember in Prayer

**Anne Schrag:** Mercy Hospital

**Ampton & Kasen Stos:** Undergoing surgery on February 10.

**Alfred Stucky:** Wesley Medical Center

**Western District Conference:** Pray for a fruitful beginning for Howard Garver, new Associate Conference Minister for Texas and Director of Church Planting. Pray for safe travel as Howard will be commuting from Sarasota, Florida, for the first six months.

**The three PAINTINGS beneath the cross** at the front of the sanctuary are part of a series of four offered to Eden by artists, Rashell Kaufman, Britney Stos, Kathy Waltner, and Jean Regier as we celebrate The Year of the Bible. Each of these paintings has a different spiritual interpretation for each of the artists. They encourage worshippers to also discover personal significance for each painting. The group of paintings has been displayed in an incomplete manner. When the final piece is in place the set will be complete just as our lives are not complete until the final piece, our relationship with God, is in place.

**Get out your Rook deck, Pit game, or favorite game** and come to the Pine Village wellness center this evening, February 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.

**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.

**Moundridge Community Blood Drive** will be Feb 20, 1:30-6:00 at Pine Village Wellness Center. The need is constant. The gratification instant. Give Blood.

**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](http://www.hesston.edu/avds) or call 620-327-8109. Registration brochures are available on the literature table in the fellowship hall or register online.

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

**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.

**If you would like to host or be a guest for the Fellowship Meals**, the form needs to be turned in by February 13. There are forms on the MCC table by the library. You can return those to one of the contact committee members, Ryan and Kylie Goering, Josh and Emily Regier or Jerry and Linda Schrag or mail it directly to the persons listed on the bottom of the form.

**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.

**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.

**Share the love with Camp Mennoscah!** You are invited to join our Valentine's Day Volunteering Extravaganza on Feb. 14. The day will begin around 9-9:30am and run through the afternoon. Your day will include a simple sandwich meal and a free old-style camp tee shirt. Please let us know you are coming! Call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) or email [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org).

**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](mailto:tinaschrag@mcc.org) or call 316-283-2720.

**Today (Sun., Feb. 8) – Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum** program at Kauffman Museum, 3 p.m. (note change from 3:30 as in past years). Chuck Epp, University of Kansas professor of public affairs and administration, will speak on “Racial Stereotyping in Police Stops.” He will also be in Bethel College’s convocation tomorrow (Feb. 9) at 11 a.m. in Krehbiel Auditorium.

**Mennonite Disaster Service has needs in the nearby states:** Jamestown, CO: Office Manager and Project Director needed for Mar 18-Apr17, and a Crew Leader Mar 9-Apr 3. Pilger, NE: Cooks and Crew Leaders are needed Mar 2-27. For information about week-long volunteer opportunities, call (800) 241-8111 or e-mail [lebersole@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:lebersole@mds.mennonite.net). For volunteers who wish to serve long-term (one month or longer), call (800) 241-8111 or e-mail [bschrag@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:bschrag@mds.mennonite.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. 4<sup>th</sup> St. Menu includes: verenike, ham gravy, sausage, green beans, zwiebach, cherry moos, pie, relishes and beverages. Cost is by donation.

**Convention registration is open!** These winter temps may make summer seem far away, but the Mennonite Church USA convention in Kansas City, June 30-July 5 will be here before you know it. The Executive Board is encouraging congregations to identify and register delegates early, so that they can participate in a survey of all delegates which will be sent out in Feb. For more information on the delegate role, visit the convention check out the website: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/delegate/>. You can also register online: [www.MennoniteUSA.org/convention](http://www.MennoniteUSA.org/convention).

**Service doesn’t have to wait.** Join Youth Venture this summer to serve and learn with Mennonite youth from Japan, Lithuania, Ecuador, France and Philadelphia! Apply by April 1 for international locations or by June 1 for Philadelphia. Ages 14-22 can apply at [MennoniteMission.net/Serve](http://MennoniteMission.net/Serve). (Must be at least 16 for international locations.)

**All are welcome. Centering Prayer meets every Monday** from noon-1 p.m. in Agape Center in Richert House on the Bethel College campus. For more information, contact Nathan Koontz, [2nathankoontz@gmail.com](mailto:2nathankoontz@gmail.com); Melanie Zuercher, [mzuercher@bethelks.edu](mailto:mzuercher@bethelks.edu); or Karen Andres, [davidkaren@powwwer.net](mailto:davidkaren@powwwer.net). (For help locating Agape Center at Richert House, see [www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/](http://www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/))