

Join us for the 2015-16 Prairie Window Concert Series, presented by the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. The line-up this year includes 10 String Symphony, Claire Lynch Band, Tim O'Brien with Old Man Luedecke, Mark Erelli, Betse Ellis & Ike Sheldon, Lindsay Lou & The Flatbellys, Matt & Shannon Heaton and The Steel Wheels. An early bird discount on season tickets is available now through September! Please call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) to reserve tickets. For more information, visit www.dyckarboretum.org.

Volunteer staff are needed at The International Guest House in Washington, D.C. (3 months or full year) for the ministry of Christian hospitality. The Guest House (a ministry of Allegheny Conference) serves both international and US travelers. Volunteers are provided full room and board in the Guest House. Monthly stipend of \$140. Health insurance paid for full year volunteers if needed. Hospitality duties include cleaning, laundry, maintenance, baking, hosting breakfast & tea and welcoming guests. Great location for sightseeing and exploring the many facets of the National City. For information and an application contact: Judy Nord judymerkord@verizon.net ([3019856858](tel:3019856858)) or International Guest House igh.dc.us@gmail.com ([202726-5808](tel:2027265808))

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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**BEHOLD, I MAKE
ALL THINGS
NEW!**

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The Symphony of Scripture
Year of the Bible Week 51

Prelude Mark & Gail Stucky

Welcome Danielle Goering

Opportunities for Discipleship

Call to Worship STS 201

***Hymn of Praise HWB 297** *Jesus came – the heavens adoring*

Accompanied by Candy Unrau

Children, please come up during the last verse

Time with Children Mark and Gail Stucky

Scripture Reading HWB 860 & 861 from Rev 21:1-4; Rev 22:1-5

Special Music *He's Right On Time* Worship Band

Message "A New Day, Indeed!" Pastor Lee

Prayers of the People

Offering/ Offertory Mark & Gail Stucky

***Sending Hymn HWB 295** *Christ is coming! Let creation*

***Benediction**

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

STJ - *Sing the Journey* (green book)

*Please stand if able.

All sermons and Scripture can be viewed at www.edenmennonite.org



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. The psalmist declared: "My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God" (Psalm 84:2, NRSV). Let us join in song and praise to the God who showers us with grace.

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 Britney & DaWayne Stos for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

Attention Eden Farmers: The Eden Church ground is coming up for rent in early Fall. The church owns approximately 30 acres of tillable land and approximately 3 acres of grass land. The 30 acres of tillable land are in the middle of the half section where the Hopefield Church is located and the 3 acres of grass are just east of the lagoon and north of the our church building. The terms of the rent will be \$50.00 per acre for the tillable land and \$100.00 for the 3 acres of grass annually and due May 1st. If you are a Eden Church member, a farmer and interested in farming either one or both of these plots, contact one of the Trustees, Keith Albrecht, Myron Goering, Lynn Kaufman, Gary Regier, or Bill Zerger. To make it fair for everyone who is interested, their names will be placed in a hat and a drawing will take place on Sept 1 for the right to farm each of these plots of land.

School Kit Time: Have you seen the empty school kit bags in the fellowship hall? Everyone is invited to take one or more, fill them with school supplies for Mennonite Central Committee and bring them back to church. Or you may just bring supplies and someone will fill the bags. Each kit needs the following items. 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (70 sheets), 8 unsharpened # 2 pencils, 1 ruler, (flexible plastic; indicating 30 cm and 12") ,12 colored pencils (in packaging), 1 large pencil eraser.

The Mary Martha Circle will meet Tuesday, September 1 for an all-day work meeting. Covered dish lunch. Project, school kits.

Lost and Found: There is a cart in the fellowship hall with lost and found items from the kitchen. Please check see if any items are yours. Items not claimed by August 30 will be taken to the Et Cetera Shop.

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 30: Backpack Blessing during worship
S.S. Kick-off
Year Of the Bible Celebration with food following S.S.

Sep 1: Mary Martha all day meeting

Sep 2: First Wednesday Evening Session for the Season
6:00 p.m. meal served
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Sep 6: SS elective on "Enhancing Mental Wellness in Our Church
Communities begins (please sign up if interested)

Sep 9, 16, 23, 30: 6:00 p.m. meal served
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Sep 11 -13: WDC Women & Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah

Sep 14: 7:00 p.m. Eden Leadership Team meeting

Sep 13, 20, 17, Oct 4: KIPCOR workshop at Eden

Sep 20: Bike to church Sunday

Last Sunday, Aug 16, 2015

Worship Attendance:192
Sunday School: 134
Offering: \$14,997.90

Next Sunday, Aug 30, 2015

Nursery: JoLene Kaufman and Tim Regehr
Children's Story: Cindy Bartell

Remember in Prayer

Pastoral Search Process: Jerry Schrag, Samantha Doane, Cindy Bartell, Larry Temple, Jenny Schrag, Future Eden Pastor

Adults, sign up on the table in the fellowship hall today for the Sunday school elective in September. Jason Byler, a social worker at Prairie View, will lead a healthy discussion on mental wellness, the Bible and the church. See the August *Eden Echoes* for more information, or contact June Krehbiel.

Our final Year of the Bible Celebration meal will be after Sunday school on Aug 30th. We will have prepared pulled pork. Please consider bringing one or more of the recipes on the table in the fellowship hall for the meal. If you would rather bring a basic vegetable or fruit dish, that would be great. In the Bible they ate foods which were dried or pickled so if you would like to bring a plate of dried or pickled food that would work also. Donations will accepted for the costs incurred with the celebrations throughout the year.

Backpack Blessing! All students are invited to bring their backpacks next Sunday, August 30, for a prayer of blessing as we begin a new school year. Students will be invited forward for the blessing near the end of the service.

Adults, options during Sunday school time today include the sermon discussion class in the Music Room and watching films in the sanctuary. The first film is **“Don’t Be Afraid” from Good God Theater** by Ted & Company TheaterWorks. (A homeless man discovers the message of Revelation. 8 min.) We will also watch half of the film **Painting Revelation** by Michigan artist Debby Topliff, who tells the story of Revelation through paint (22 min.).

Wednesday night activities for all ages are coming this fall September 2 - November 18! Kids will enjoy *Power Up! Living in the Spirit* with Bible stories, crafting, music and more. Adult women will study *Spark: Igniting Your God-Given Creativity* to thoughtfully take us deep into the Bible and unpack stories of God’s creative Spirit at work. Pastor Lee will lead a book study on *Under Construction: Reframing Men’s Spirituality* written by Gareth Brandt. Books for both studies will be available for \$5 each. Wednesday night programming is a great opportunity for fellowship and learning, so be sure to make plans to attend.

Next Sunday begins the Sunday school year for the junior department. Adults will meet with their classes or participate in the sermon discussion class.

Besides activities for children and separate book studies for men and women, plans for Wednesday night activities at Eden this fall include weekly meals at church. The Education Commission will serve the Sept. 2 meal. Can your group provide a meal one or more Wednesdays (Sept. 9 - Nov. 18)? Contact June Krehbiel (345-2360) if you are willing.

Pies are needed from Eden for the Senior Center Fish Fry Benefit Meal on Aug. 25. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in fellowship hall if you are willing to donate.

Equipped for Decision-making is the theme for the KIPCOR sessions sponsored by the ELT and coming to Eden this fall. Sessions will be held 4 Sunday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. Snacks and beverages will be available and child care provided. Everyone high school age and older is invited and encouraged to attend all four sessions but each session is self-contained so if you are unable to make all, please feel welcomed at those for which you are able. For planning purposes, we are asking that you **let the office know by September 4 if you will attend any or all of the sessions and information regarding child care needs including number of children and ages.** The four sessions are titled as follows:

September 13: "Who are you?" "Who am I?" "Who are we together?"

September 20: "What did you say?"

September 27: "What are we doing here?"

October 4: "How do we move forward together?"

More information can be found in the August Echoes.

Moundridge Senior Center Annual Benefit Fish Fry, Tuesday, August 25 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Moundridge Senior Center. Menu will be fresh fish, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, rolls, and homemade pie and ice cream. Everyone is welcome. Donations appreciated.

Join us at West Zion for a discipleship workshop with Marvin Lorenzana of Mennonite Mission Network on Sept. 12, 9:00-noon. Marvin will focus on how we grow as disciples of Jesus in the context of Missional Discipleship Groups, a form of small group. Lunch will be provided. Please register online at: <http://goo.gl/forms/rcF3DMOedy> (or on the West Zion church website).

Creating a Scene in Corinth: AMBS is offering the online short course "Creating a Scene in Corinth: Conflict in 1 Corinthians" this fall with Reta Halteman Finger. Early Registration is due Aug 12. More information? See <https://www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter/bible-short-courses.cfm>.

Many people feel as if they don't know enough about investing to actually invest. That's why Everence is presenting "Investing 101," a webinar about turning dreams into reality, from noon to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 25. We'll discuss basic concepts such as what investing is and what it can do for you, and how starting early can make a big difference in how much you earn. And we'll answer your questions. Visit everence.com/kansas to register.

The annual MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride will be held on Saturday, September 19, originating at the Mennonite Central Committee offices, 121 E. 30th North Newton. This year's ride will raise funds for an MCC water development project in Tanzania. Informational brochures are available through the church office and the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. The brochure is also available on the MCC website, mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride. You can register online at that website.

Attention high school students! Win \$1,000 by writing an essay for the MCC U.S. Washington Office annual public policy essay contest. Topics include the militarization of police, climate change, and prisoner re-entry. All students who are members of Anabaptist congregations are eligible to participate. Learn more at <http://mcc.org/get-involved/advocacy/washington/contest>.

Offender Victim Ministries is seeking additional Community Justice Mentors to help clients address their need for change. Mentors work one-on-one with clients in two life-skills programs—one focused on anger management, conflict resolution and mindfulness, the other focused on decision-making, values, impact and accountability. All work with program participants is client-centered and strengths-based. Could this be you? Request more information and a mentor application by e-mailing leia@offendervictimministries.org.

Women & Girls! Remember to register for the retreat at Camp Mennoscah Sept. 11-13. Registration forms are on the literature table in the fellowship hall. The registration forms are also available to download and send in from the Camp Mennoscah website at: <http://campmennoscah.org/camp-retreats/>. Please register by Aug 29 to avoid a late fee.

Today (Sun., Aug. 23) – Bethel College hosts a “reunion jazz concert,” 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. Musicians are Brett Jackson, Joel Linscheid and Jim Pisano, saxophones; Ben Harder, trombone; Aaron Linscheid, trumpet; William Flynn, guitar; Kim Garey and Brandon Lee Blackburn, drums; and Chris Hazelton, organ.