MCC Borderlands Learning Tour 2015 - you are invited to participate in a learning tour designed to bring awareness about the increasing migrant deaths, militarization and effects on sister communities by the border wall along the Mexico/U.S. Borderlands. Participants will increase their understanding of the social, economic, political and theological significance of migration in border communities. The tour is Oct. 28-Nov. 4, leaving from Tucson, AZ. For more information contact Saulo Padilla, MCC U.S. Immigration Education Coordinator at <a href="mailto:saulopadilla@mcc.org">saulopadilla@mcc.org</a>, or go online to learn more and register mcc.org/borderlands-tour.

**Quilts needed: Crossroads Community Church** in Winfield is preparing to host their annual "Water for Africa Auction" to benefit MCC water projects in Africa. However, they are short on quilts and sale organizers are seeking donations for finished quilts. Can you help? Please contact Maynard Knepp for details 316.285.3820 <a href="maynardknepp@mcc.org">maynardknepp@mcc.org</a> by **Sep 25**.

#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

Phone: 345-8320; Email: edenmc@mtelco.net;

Check out our website at www.edenmennonite.org

Friend us on Facebook
Interim Lead Pastor, Lee Suderman

Home Phone: 316-283-4251; Cell phone 316-680-9031

lsuderman@edenmennonite.org
Day off: Friday

Associate Pastor, Derek King

Cell Phone: 717-201-1147; dking@edenmennonite.org

Day off: Tuesday

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



"Go and do likewise."

Luke 10:37b

# Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

### Website: www.edenmennonite.org

Lee Suderman, Interim Lead Pastor Derek King, Associate Pastor

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### The Twelve Scriptures

**Prelude** Brenda Dalke

Welcome Linda Goering

**Opportunities for Discipleship** 

Call to Worship STJ 121

\*Opening Hymn STS 1 Praise the one who breaks the darkness

Gift of Music In the Beauty of Your Holiness Chancel Choir

Becky Clark, director; Robin Schrag, accompanist

Time with Children Jean Regier, Gentry & Mason Regier

**Biblical Storytelling** Luke 10:25-37 Pastor Derek

Message "Love without borders" Pastor Derek

\*Song of Response STS 115 Beauty for brokenness

**Prayers of the People** 

Offering/Offertory

\*Sending Song I Need Thee Every Hour Chancel Choir

\*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.

All sermons and Scripture can be viewed at <a href="https://www.edenmennonite.org">www.edenmennonite.org</a>



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, fellowship and a new year of Christian Education!

Please take a moment to greet those sitting near you – longtime friends and new ones. We also welcome the residents of Pine Village who are worshiping with us via telephone hookup.

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 Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

**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.

**Twelve Scriptures Project Sanctuary Display:** Thank you to Jean Regier, Britney Stos, and Kathy Waltner for sharing their talents to help us focus visually for the next twelve Sundays as we dig deeper into the scriptures that are most meaningful to our church family. Also, thanks to Galen Waltner and Gary Regier for hanging the display.

**Proposal regarding membership:** Full members who have not responded to the annual church records update letter after two years will be moved to associate membership. Please provide your feedback to this proposal no later than September 30, 2015. Responses may be shared with one of the deacons in person, by phone or by email: Bonita Howard - <a href="mailto:crazyhows@hotmail.com">crazyhows@hotmail.com</a>, 620-345-7154; Brandon Kaufman - 620-386-0986; Carol Zerger - 620-345-2943 <a href="mailto:bczerger@mtelco.net">bczerger@mtelco.net</a>; Laurie Schrag - <a href="mailto:wlschrag@mtelco.net">wlschrag@mtelco.net</a>, 620-345-8393 <a href="mailto:Laurie-Schrag">Laurie Schrag</a> - <a href="mailto:wlschrag@mtelco.net">wlschrag@mtelco.net</a>, 620-345-8393

**Get ready for Bike to Church Sunday coming September 20!** Grab your bike or non-motorized transportation and join the fun to raise money for the PET Project. New this year! Creative genius award for best bike decorations or costume plus more traditional honors will be awarded. Our goal this year is to raise \$2,500 to provide 10 PETS for those in need. Free will offering will be collected.

#### **Eden This Week**

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship service

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

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg. Tuesday

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Meal served (call the office or sign up)

> 6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at Eden 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

Deadline for items for the Eden Echoes Thursday

7:00 p.m. Eden Leadership Team meets at Eden

# **Looking Ahead**

Sep 20: Bike to church Sunday

Sep 21: 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship meeting at church office

6:00 p.m. meal served Sep 23, 30:

> 6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at Eden 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

7:00 p.m. Pastors/Deacon Commission mtg. Sep 24:

# Last Sunday, Sep 6, 2015

Worship Attendance: 200 Sunday School: 127 Offering: \$5,325.40

Next Sunday, Sep 20, 2015

Nursery: Kathy & Al Neufeld Music: Ladies Choir

Children's Story: Danielle Goering

Scripture: Romans 8:18-39; Psalm 6; Ezekiel 37:1-14;

Luke 22:39-46: Jeremiah 29:4-14

**Budget (August 31, 2015)** 

**Income:** \$255,546.52 Expenses: \$296,905.40 **Difference:** \$41,358.88 **Budget:** \$296,540.67

### Remember in Prayer

**Alan Thomas:** recovering from heart valve surgery at Kansas Heart Hospital **WDC:** Pray for God's joy and grace for Peter Emery as he is licensed for interim pastoral ministry at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church today. **Pastoral Search Process:** Jerry Schrag, Samantha Doane, Cindy Bartell, Larry Temple, Jenny Schrag, Future Eden Pastor

**The KIPCOR (Building Project) Sunday evening sessions** previously scheduled for September 13, 20, 27 and Oct 4 have been postponed until further notice.

Congratulations to Zach and Kali Graber on the birth of their son Britton Eli on September 8. Britton is welcomed by his big brothers Kason and Keelan and his paternal grand-parents Steve and Linda Graber. Please remember the love offering for our new arrival. The piggy bank is on the library table and will be given to the parents. We would also like to provide suppers for the family over the next couple of weeks, so please consider signing up to take them a meal using this link <a href="http://www.TakeThemAMeal.com/meals.php?t=XMVB4563">http://www.TakeThemAMeal.com/meals.php?t=XMVB4563</a>.

**Sign up on the table in the fellowship hall if you plan to eat supper** at church on Wednesday, Sept. 16. Choir members are serving a meal of pulled pork sandwiches, veggie salads, chips, and cookies. Or, let the church office know by **Tuesday noon** if you plan to eat.

Wednesday night Bible studies for all ages have begun and continue every week through Nov. 18. Kids are enjoying *Power Up! Living in the Spirit*. Katie Gillmore is leading adult women in studying *Spark: Igniting Your God-given Creativity*. Pastor Lee is leading men in a book study of Gareth Brandt's *Under Construction: Reframing Men's Spirituality*. Books are available for \$5. Join us each week for fellowship and learning, and invite your friends and neighbors too.

**Eden has Sunday school classes for all ages, and you are invited** to join one of the classes. Most are studying the Adult Bible Study Guide. The SEEDS Class for young adults is meeting in room 127 with Pastor Derek King leading a discussion on "The Theology of Churchy Things." Thanks to all teachers who have agreed to teach during fall quarter.

**Offerings collected in the Junior SS Classes during fall quarter** will go toward to MCC and GOATS FOR NEPAL. The money will provide loans for people to purchase animals such as goats and receive agriculture training.

Western District Conference will meet at Bethel College October 30 and 31 for the 2015 Annual Assembly. Please consider being a delegate from your congregation, or register as a non-delegate to take advantage of all the worship, delegate sessions, fellowship and learning possibilities. Additionally, both worship services are open to the public without registration. More Assembly information at: <a href="https://www.mennowdc.org/annual-assembly">www.mennowdc.org/annual-assembly</a>. Let someone from ELT know if you are willing to go as a delegate.

**The annual MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride** will be held on Saturday, Sep 19, originating at the Mennonite Central Committee offices, 121 E. 30<sup>th</sup> North Newton. 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.

**Camp Mennoscah's Annual Meeting isn't just for the old fogeys!** The Annual Meeting on Sept. 20 at Camp Mennoscah has stuff for all ages--disc golf, a scavenger hunt, and bath house tours at 3:30 p.m. Do all those things and then stick around for a brief business meeting at 5 p.m. followed by a simple meal. Everyone invited! Donations for the meal will be taken.

This year we'll be registering Work and Play folks on Sept. 20 at 3pm and then shooing you off to join Camp Mennoscah's Annual Meeting. Starting on Monday morning we'll be diving into projects of every size and shape, coffee breaks (and tea!), some devotions, and fun and games. Folks of all ages are invited to stay through Weds., Sept. 23, to build community, improve Camp Mennoscah, and bask in the prairielands. No charge for this retreat; meal donation suggested. Register online at <a href="https://www.campmennoscah.org">www.campmennoscah.org</a> or call 620-297-3290.

You've been thinking maybe you'd like to make a scrapbook out of that last trip you took or organize the 900 gazillion pictures on your laptop. Lucky you! We've got a whole weekend of cropping, talking, and fun for you. Camp Mennoscah's Fall Scrapbooking Retreats are Oct. 30-Nov. 1 and Nov. 6-8. It's a nice huge chunk of time dedicated to you and your scrapbooking endeavors. Register online at <a href="https://www.campmennoscah.org">www.campmennoscah.org</a> or call 620-297-3290.

**"Where is the Good News for Rural Folk?"** AMBS-Kansas Center will be hosting this S. Roy Kaufman webinar on Wed., Sep 30 from 1:00-2:30 p.m. It will be held AMBS-Kansas Center classroom at 2517 N Main in North Newton. The webinar will explore how a ministry of community formation might take place in the lives of declining rural congregations, enabling these congregations to become missional agents of change in their communities. Cost is \$10 per participant. Please contact Katherine Goerzen at <a href="kgoerzen@ambs.edu">kgoerzen@ambs.edu</a> to register. Registration deadline is Sep 23.

MDS needs volunteers to clean out basements that were flooded in Duluth, MN. Call Lawrence Matthews at (419) 303-8056. MDS is planning for RV projects this fall in Walton County, FL, and Bastrop, TX. Volunteers are welcome at both locations. Volunteers in the RV projects can serve in four-week terms: Oct. 11 – Nov. 5 and Nov. 8 – Dec. 3. Crew leaders will be needed beginning Oct 18 in Pilger, NE, Detroit, MI, and Pateros, WA. E-mail <a href="mailto:ahurst@mds.mennonite.net">ahurst@mds.mennonite.net</a> or phone Alicia at (717) 735-3536 if interested.

**Getting ready to retire?** Everence will present an informational seminar, "Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices" at 11 a.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on four upcoming Mondays – Sept. 14, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 and Dec. 7. Everence Financial Advisor Robert Wall will speak on Medicare and Social Security, provide instructions on how to enroll, explain the options if you continue to work and answer related questions. The seminars will take place at the Everence office, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Tanya Burns at (620) 327-4043, (877) 467-7294 or tanya.burns@everence.com.

**Sun., Sept. 13 – KIPCOR Film Series 2015-16 begins** with Slavery by Another Name, 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. This PBS documentary deals with the re-enslavement of black Americans from the Civil War to World War II. Talk-back session with Dr. Galyn Vesey to follow.

**Sun., Sept. 20 - Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum program, 3 p.m.**, Kauffman Museum. Ben Chappell, a professor of American studies at the University of Kansas, will speak on softball as a cultural resource, using the example of Mexican-American fast-pitch softball and Newton's annual summer tournament, the oldest in the country (part of the "Root for the Home Team" special exhibit programming).

**Thurs., Sept. 17** – Artist reception for "Compassionate Clay – Ceramics by Debi Cox," 6-8 p.m., outside Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center on the Bethel College campus.

**Leave or stay?** Many Syrian families face that question as international humanitarian assistance dwindles and the patchwork of resources they used to rely on wears thin. Your gift of money helps Mennonite Central Committee continue to provide food, water, rent assistance and winter supplies so families that decide to stay in the region can survive the cold weather ahead. Please vie online at mcc.org/Syria-iraq; by phone at 1888-563-4676; or by check, sent to MCC U.S., P.O. Box 500 Akron, PA 17501. Thank you!