

**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](mailto:tanya.burns@everence.com).

**Thurs., Sept. 10 – Opening reception and curator’s talk** for “Root for the Home Team: Building Community through Sports,” 7 p.m., Kauffman Museum. Rachel Epp Buller curated this exhibit that brings together stories of sports and community from the Newton area, at Kauffman Museum Sept. 1, 2015-June 5, 2016.

**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).

**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.**

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**The Twelve Scriptures**

**Prelude**

Jill Zerger

**Welcome**

Pastor Derek

**Opportunities for Discipleship**

**Call to worship from 1 Cor. 12:1,2** New Living Translation

Leader: Dear Christian friends, I plead with you to give your bodies to God.

**Congregation: Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will accept.**

Leader: When you think of what he has done for you, is this too much to ask?

**Congregation: Don't copy the behavior and customs of the world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.**

*All: Then you will know what God wants you to do and you will know how good and pleasing and perfect his will really is.*

**\*Hymn of Praise HWB 528**

*I stand amazed in the presence*

Children, please come up during the last verse

**Time with Children**

Bruce and Pat Stucky

**Worship Through Music**

*If My People Will Pray*

Men's Chorus

Becky Clark, director; Bonita Howard, accompanist

**Message**

"Understanding Love in Action"

Pastor Lee

Romans 12:1, 2: 9-21

**\*Hymn of Response HWB 389**

*Take my life and let it be*

**Prayers of the People & Blessing of School Kits**

**Offering/Offertory**

**\*Sending Hymn HWB 544**

*When we walk with the Lord*

**\*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 [www.edenmennonite.org](http://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 to worship** on this Labor Day weekend, as we celebrate all work – paid and unpaid – that’s done for the glory of God and the service of others. We also welcome the residents of Pine Village who are worshipping 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 Rashelle & Matt Schrag for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

**Welcome to Jason Byler**, a mental health social worker, who is leading four adult Sunday school sessions in September on “Enhancing Mental Wellness in Our Church Communities.” The class will meet in the North Fellowship Hall Room soon after worship (enter on east side) and last one hour.

**Thank you to the five farmers who contacted the trustees** about farming the church farm ground. All of you would have done an excellent job farming the ground. As promised, on September 1 we drew a name from those submitted to see who would farm the ground. The winner was Brandon Kaufman.

**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.

### **Eden This Week**

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship service  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time  
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
- Monday** **Church Office closed**
- 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

### **Looking Ahead**

- Sep 16, 23, 30:** 6:00 p.m. meal served  
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
- Sep 11 -13:** WDC Women & Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah
- Sep 15:** 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg.
- Sep 13, 20, 17, Oct 4:** KIPCOR workshop at Eden
- Sep 17** 7:00 p.m. Eden Leadership Team meets at Eden
- Sep 20:** Bike to church Sunday
- Sep 21:** 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship meeting at church office
- Sep 24:** 7:00 p.m. Pastors/Deacon Commission mtg.

### **Last Sunday, Aug 30, 2015**

Worship Attendance: 210  
Sunday School: 173  
Offering: \$6,034.00

### **Next Sunday, Sep 13, 2015**

Nursery: Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas  
Children's Story: Jean Regier & Gentry & Mason Regier  
Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Leviticus 19:18; Psalm 37; Jonah

### Remember in Prayer

**WDC:** Give thanks for June Thomsen, chair, and other members of the Annual Assembly Planning Committee. Pray for God's guidance for them as they prepare for WDC's gathering October 30-31 at Bethel College.

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

**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.

**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.

**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.



**A building project:** Sign up **today** in the fellowship hall. Sessions will be held 4 Sunday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m.; Sep 13, 20, and 27 and Oct 4. Child care will be provided. Snacks and beverages will be available. Everyone high school age and older is encouraged to take part. You need not be at all sessions. Take part in what works for you. ....*So the body of Christ may be built up. Eph. 4:12*

**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 - [crazyhows@hotmail.com](mailto:crazyhows@hotmail.com), 620-345-7154; Brandon Kaufman - 620-386-0986; Carol Zerger - 620-345-2943 [bczerger@mtelco.net](mailto:bczerger@mtelco.net); Laurie Schrag - [wlschrag@mtelco.net](mailto:wlschrag@mtelco.net), 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.  
Larry Temple - 620-241-7435

**Held Together In Christ** is the theme of the Western District Conference Annual Assembly Oct 30-31 in North Newton. Come and enjoy enriching worship, communion, fellowship, discernment, and installation of new Conference Minister, Heidi Regier Kreider. Registration forms are on the table in the fellowship hall, or you can register online at <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/> Please let someone from the Eden Leadership Team (ELT) know if you are willing to go as a delegate.

**Join us at West Zion for a discipleship workshop** with Marvin Lorenzana of Mennonite Mission Network on Sep 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).

**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](http://mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride).

**All are invited to the Heritage Lectures** at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church on Sep 12 at 9:00 a.m. Jim Juhnke will be the speaker. He is speaking on "Conscription and the Army Camps" and "The War Spirit at Home." This event is free and open to the public. For more info see the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

**Camp Mennoscah is looking at another full fall season** with Scrapbooking Retreats on Oct. 30-Nov. 1 and Nov. 6-8. Call [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for a brochure or sign up online at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.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/>.

**A Hesston College Homecoming 2015:** A campus transformation Sep 24 to 27 will feature exciting alumni talent from across the country in celebration of the changes to the north end of campus. Be sure to catch performing arts students and faculty in Tiny Desk Concert-style and ensemble performances Friday afternoon, a Friday night coffeehouse and entertainment featuring singer songwriter Jeremy Kempf and musical theatre performer Fjaere Harder Nussbaum, a hymn sing during the Northlawn dedication Saturday morning and a Performing Arts Showcase Saturday evening (tickets required). See the weekend schedule for times, locations and other events online at [hesston.edu/homecoming](http://hesston.edu/homecoming).

**The FloraKansas Fall Plant Sale** will be held Sep 11-13, at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. Kansas' largest native plant sale offering many species of wildflowers and grasses many of which are rare in cultivation. A large selection of adaptable perennials is also available. Memberships can be purchased on the day of the sale. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount at all arboretum plant sales and may participate in the members only pre-sale on Thursday, Sep 10 from 1 to 7 p.m. For more information, call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) or visit [www.dyckarboretum.org](http://www.dyckarboretum.org).

**Camp Mennoscah's Annual Meeting on Sep 20 will start our Work & Play** camp at 3:30 p.m.! It will start with disc golf (new baskets & course!), bath house tours, and scavenger hunt with a simple business meeting and meal following. All the lucky Work & Play folks will stick around a few more days (until Sep 23) for some work projects, coffee breaks, and fellowship. Register for the camp online or by calling 620.297.3290 (no fees, suggested mean donation). Every of all ages invited to the Annual Meeting.

**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 [maynardknepp@mcc.org](mailto:maynardknepp@mcc.org).

**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 [ahurst@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:ahurst@mds.mennonite.net) or phone Alicia at (717) 735-3536 if interested.