

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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Proposed Eden Mennonite Church Vision Statement

We strive to be God’s children, called together to be transformed and sent out to live and proclaim salvation and reconciliation through Jesus Christ.

Notes:

“strive”: Philippians 1:27b, 2:12b, 3:14

“God’s children”: John 1:12; Romans 8:14;

“called together”: Hebrews 10:24,25; Acts 2:42-47; Greek word for church, *ekklesia* = “called out ones”

“transformed”: Romans 12:2; *repent* = “turn around”

“sent out”: Matthew 28:19,20

“live”: Matthew 7:21

“proclaim”: Acts 2:38-40

“salvation”: John 3:16,17; Acts 4:12

“reconciliation”: 2 Corinthians 5:18,19



...so I send you.

John 20:21b

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Prelude Candy Unrau
Welcome Pastor Lee

Opportunities for Discipleship

***Call to Worship STS 142** *Come, Lord Jesus*

***Worship Music** Men's Chorus

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord by Craig Courtney

Steal Away arr. Brazeal Dennard

Becky Clark, director; Bonita Howard, accompanist

Scripture Reading John 20:19-23 Josh Knight

Hymn STS 39 *Will you come and follow me*

Message "You are a Letter" Pastor Derek

Prayers of the People

Offering/ Offertory/ MCC

Time with Children Maynard Knepp

Bucket Blessing

Sending Song STS 40 *We will follow*

Commissioning

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



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, brothers and sisters!
It is good to gather to praise our Lord Jesus.

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 Karen & Greg Stucky for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

We would like to welcome Maynard Knepp to Eden for our annual Peace Sunday. Maynard will share with children during the worship service. During the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary he will update us on the role of MCC in the crisis in Syria.

The Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) coin collection will start this morning, February 7! Bring your coins!

Please let the church office know if you would like a list of all of your contributions for 2015. They will not be printed unless you request them. You may call 345-8320 or email edenoffice@edenmennonite.org to request them.

Dale R. Schrag's Wednesday evening presentations on Anabaptist/Mennonite history, "From Whence Have We Come," begin Feb. 17, and whether you like history or not, you will love his style and thoughts. Plan now to attend all six lectures: Feb. 17, 24; March 2, 9, 30; April 6 at 6:45-7:30 p.m. in our sanctuary. Invite friends. Meals will be served each of these Wednesday evenings. "Whosoever boasts that he is a Christian, the same must walk as Christ walked." —Menno Simons, 1539

Tree Visual in Fellowship Hall: Thank you to Jean Regier, Brittney Stos, and Kathy Waltner for sharing their artistic talents in the creation of the tree on the north wall of Fellowship Hall. This tree was created for the purposes of bringing joy and beauty through color to this space in our church and providing opportunities for displaying children's artwork, photos . . . Be watching for the addition of another tree in the future.

Because God has done so much in and through Eden Mennonite Church in the past year, we are going to call our Congregational Meeting on February 7 a "Year in Review Celebration." Following the potluck meal will be a minimal agenda, including a few financial items and a celebration of all that God has done! Commissions, committees, and individuals are encouraged to share where they've seen God at work in our church family over the past year. Let's gather to proclaim our joy, sing, and give thanks! Eden Leadership Team

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
Noon Potluck meal followed by Year in Review
- Monday** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.
Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.
- Wednesday** Ash Wednesday
No meal served
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service
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

- Feb 17:** 6:00 p.m. meal served
6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
6:45 p.m. Dale Schrag's presentations in sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Feb 21:** 3:30-5:00 p.m. Agri-Urban at Eden
- Feb 24:** 6:00 p.m. meal served
6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
6:45 p.m. Dale Schrag's presentations in sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Mar 1:** Mary Martha Circle meets

Last Sunday, Jan 31, 2016

Worship Attendance: 168; Sunday School: 113
Offering: \$5430.00

Next Sunday, February 14, 2016

Children's Story: Shriley Delk
Music: Ladies Choir
Nursery: Samantha & Heath Doane

Remember in Prayer

Geneva Flickner: McPherson Hospital

Lorene Goering: Mercy Hospital

Howard Knight: Mercy Hospital

WDC: Pray for God's joy and blessing for Weldon Martens as he is installed today as pastor at Grace Hill Mennonite Church.

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

An Ash Wednesday service will be held at 6:30 p.m., Feb. 10 at Eden, followed by adult Bible study and kids activities at 6:45 p.m. The kids will be making door decorations for Pine Village health care residents. Adults not attending Bible study are invited to help with this service project so it can be completed in one evening. Questions? Contact Shayna Smith, Kathy Waltner or Pat Stucky.

There will be no Wednesday night meal served on Feb. 10.

The Mennonite Men have voted to pay the rent of \$8,800.00 for the buildings for the MCC sale again this year. Like in the past our dues are \$100.00 to fund this project. If you feel led to pay more please do so. Take your check to the Church Office or give it to Keith Albrecht. Do not put it in the offering plate.

A limited number of The Annual Report Books have been printed and have also posted on our website www.edenmennonite.org. Click on about then click on resources. If you pick one up, bring it with you to the meeting on February 7, as no more books will be printed.

The January/February Eden Echoes is available on the literature table.

PET Kansas and Hope Haven are planning another wheelchair distribution in Guatemala March 14-21, 2016. We will be doing some construction and providing food for the widows and widowers at a soup kitchen. If you would like to help with the expenses for those projects please make your check to PET Kansas with mission trip in the memo line.

Nationally known Christian speaker and author Shane Claiborne will be featured at the Hesston College Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship (AVDS) conference February 19-21. **Not Just on Sunday** will explore what it's like to live a vibrant 24/7 faith by discovering spiritual practices that bring transformation. To register use the printed brochures (found on the literature table in the fellowship hall) or go to www.hesston.edu/avds. For more information, call 620-327-8109 or toll free at 866-437-7866.

Proposed Vision Statement Feedback: The pastors would like to provide opportunities for all to respond to the Proposed Vision Statement. We will give a worksheet for each Sunday School Class, to be completed by Feb. 21st. If you are not part of a Sunday School Class, please fill one out on your own, or join the table discussions offered on the 14th and 21st during the SS hour in the Fellowship Hall.

The Everence Sharing Funds provided \$2,668.77 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Linda Goering serves as the Everence Advocate for our congregation. Please contact her for more information.

***Not just on Sunday* features a Saturday evening Celebration Concert** with Bluegrass music by Hesston College alumnus Dave Miller and The Book of Jebb 7 p.m. February 20 at Hesston Mennonite Church auditorium. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and available at the Hesston College Bookstore at 620-327-8104 or at the door. Conference registrants and youth of all ages are free.

Mennonite Agri-Urban has just finished another successful year and you are invited to help us celebrate. Anyone interested in learning about our organization and everyone who donated feed and worked with Agri-Urban cattle is invited to a faspas on Sunday, February 21 at Eden Mennonite Church, rural Moundridge. Drop in between 3:30 and 5:00 pm. Information about the organization, a financial report and written reports from our beneficiaries will be available. A special thanks to all those who raised cattle and donated feed again this year. Proceeds from the cattle sales benefit Western District Conference, Mennonite Church USA and Bethel College.

You're Invited to join the MCC Central States Board and Staff at our annual Community Engagement Event on Saturday, Feb. 27. Our event this year will be held in the chapel at Tabor College in Hillsboro from 8:30-10:45am focusing on Mass Incarceration. We will have a variety of speakers share with the group and time for questions and answers. Please call our office to let us know if you'll be attending at [316.283.2720](tel:316.283.2720). All our welcome to attend this informative event with opportunity to engage with MCC board and staff!

Could you use a few new friends? Like 300 new friends? Then the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus is for you. Yes, KMMC is about music and raising money for the global mission work of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). But, KMMC also fosters wonderful relationships among the chorus members. You are invited to join us. If you can sing during the Sunday morning worship service, you can sing in KMMC. Join KMMC. It's good for your spirit! For registration information, see the KMMC posters in the foyer or contact Perry Krehbiel. Rehearsals begin February 28.

Moundridge Community Blood Drive: Pine Village Wellness Center, 86 22nd Ave., Monday Feb. 22 1:30-6:00. You are encouraged to visit call 1-800-Red Cross ([800-733-2767](tel:800-733-2767)) or redcrossblood.org to schedule apt. Visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass to pre-register on the day of the drive.

The Son: A Private Journal. In whom do you confide in a small town when everyone thinks your little boy's birth father is your husband, but really the boy's birth father is Father with a capital "F"? Faith and Life Bookstore invites all to a book signing with Dorcas Lady Good on Saturday, February 13, from 10am to 12pm. See the bulletin board in the fellowship hall for more information.

Have you always wanted to experience another culture while growing professionally, spiritually, and personally? Then MCC's SALT program is for you! We have upwards of 120 diverse assignments in over 35 countries waiting for the perfect applicants to fill them. Deadline to apply is Feb. 15. Make 2016 the year you will step out in faith and do it. Apply today at mcc.org/salt!

Kitchen helpers? All you folks who delight in chopping and stirring, we have a place for you! Camp Mennoscah is looking for people to help in the kitchen during our summer youth camps. A discount of up to full camp fees is available for your camper. Camps begin June 5 and run until July 29. Contact Camp Mennoscah at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) or office@campmennoscah.org to sign up! Great skill not needed, only a love of kids and a willingness to follow directions.

Dear Youth (and their parents)--Camp Mennoscah has a retreat for those youth grades 7-12 on March 11-12. We're doing a service and worship weekend and calling it Youth Volunteer Weekend. There will be music and worship, snacks and projects, and gobs o' fun. It will be so much stinkin' fun you won't want to go home. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org or call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290). It's like a summer camp appetizer!

Volunteer position in Washington, DC - 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 welcoming guests, hosting breakfast and tea, cleaning, laundry, maintenance, baking. Great location for sightseeing and exploring the many facets of the National City. For information and an application contact: Judy Nord judymarknord@verizon.net (301-9856-858) or International Guest House igh.dc.us@gmail.com (202-726-5808).

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UNLEASH THE NEXT GENERATION OF
WOMEN TO LIVE OUT THEIR PURPOSE.

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