

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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

The Mennonite Church USA convention planning staff is working to plan for next year's convention in Orlando. We are excited to see how God works through the "Love is a Verb" theme! To help get people excited for convention we are looking for volunteers to be part of a social media ambassador group. We are looking for youth and young adults who have great energy and a strong social media presence. They will be asked to help leading up to convention and receive a reduced registration. Contact Sarah Chase at the Mennonite Church USA Office of Convention Planning, Direct: [614-370-1120](tel:614-370-1120) (cell; preferred), toll free: [1-866-866-2872](tel:1-866-866-2872) ext. 23025, sarahc@mennoniteusa.org.

Weds., June 1 – Gary Schoeniger, founder of the Entrepreneurial Leadership Initiative and co-author of *Who Owns the Ice House? Eight Life Lessons from an Unlikely Entrepreneur*, will speak on **"Redefining Entrepreneurship," 8 a.m.**, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. Event is free, but registration is requested: www.eventbrite.com/e/redefining-entrepreneurship-keynote-at-bethel-college-tickets-23813033424.

Sat., June 4 – **The Sand Creek Trail Committee invites you to "Walk Sand Creek Trail Day,"** celebrating National Trails Day. Members of the committee will be at the Memorial Grove trailhead on the Bethel College campus from **6 a.m.-8 p.m.** to answer any questions and offer water for people and dogs.



Let it go

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Prelude

DeLonna Barnett

Welcome

Bonita Howard

Opportunities for Discipleship

Confession and Call to Worship

Forgive us, Lord Jesus.

Our lives are cluttered

by too many things and too much to do.

We are driven by the need to succeed

and distracted by our service.

Let us lay our lives at your feet

and just be with you. AMEN

***Opening Song HWB 545**

Be thou my vision

Led by Deb Lichti

Time with Children

Berni Kaufman

Song of Preparation HWB 504

Have thine own way

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

Alexis Westfall

Message

“Let it go”

Pastor Derek

Gift of Music

In the Garden

Nikki Modellmog

Prayers of the People

Offering/Offertory

Please give your items for food pantry to children

Offering of Music

Mary

Sending Song STS 16

Peace before us

***Benediction**

Postlude

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

STJ - *Sing the Journey* (green book)

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

YouTube channel.



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.

A warm welcome to all who gather today for worship and Christian fellowship. May we be blessed as we bless God and one another.

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 and Greg Stucky for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

Eden Announcements

Today is another collection of cans for the Junior SS Department offering. The food collected will go to the Moundridge Food Pantry. Next Sunday is our last collection of cans during the worship service. Thank you to all of you who have supported the children's offering this quarter.

Children's Day is next Sunday, June 5. Worship (in the sanctuary) starts at 10 a.m. and will include stories from Luke by children's, youth, and adult Sunday school classes. Children and youth will be presenting the prelude, beginning at 9:45 so come early. There will be no Sunday school that day. After worship we will enjoy a picnic, prepared by the Playground Committee. Menu is pulled pork, baked beans, chips, and ice cream sandwiches. Invite family and friends to join us for the day. Dress casual and bring lawn chairs/blankets, hats, sunscreen, play clothes and running shoes and Rook cards. Plan to spend the afternoon playing games led by Bret and Marla Gillmore. A tent will be set up on the west side of the church so please park on the east or south side and avoid driving or parking on the west and north sides to keep the area safe for children and games.

Practice for Children's Day. Children's classes through grade 4 will practice Thursday, June 2 at 7 p.m. SEEDS, CHB, and Youth SS classes will practice in the sanctuary during SS today.

Youth, please be at church before 9:30 next Sunday, June 5, to usher for Children's Day.

Eden This Week

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school

Monday Memorial Day. Eden Church Office closed

Thursday 7:00 p.m. Practice for Children's day at church (age 2 – grade 4)

Looking Ahead

June 5: 10:00 a.m. Children's Day and SS Picnic at Eden

June 7: Mary Martha Circle mtg.

June 12: 3:00 p.m. Pastor Derek's Ordination service

June 13: 8:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission at church office

June 16: 7:00 p.m. ELT mtg. at Eden Church Office

June 26: Pastor Lee's last Sunday at Eden
Noon potluck meal

June 27: 6:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg.

July 9 & 10: Eden Retreat weekend at Camp Mennoscah

July 11-15: Associated Churches Vacation Bible School

Aug 21: Noon meal to honor SS teachers at church

Last Sunday, May 22, 2016

Worship Attendance: 209; Sunday School: 159
Offering: \$3,890

Next Sunday, June 5, 2016

10:00 a.m. at Eden

Children's Day

The Search Committee continues to work. We've met several times in the month of May, including meeting with Heidi Regier-Kreider, WDC Minister. We appreciate the continued prayers of the congregation as we move forward in this process. Larry Temple, Cindy Bartel, Sami Doane, Jenny Schrag, Jerry Schrag.

Remember in Prayer

LaVerne Flickinger: Dismissed from Schowalter Villa

Nelson Goering: Mercy Hospital

Patsy Klassen: Mercy Hospital

WDC: Give thanks to God for Trinity Mennonite Church in Hillsboro celebrating its 50th anniversary today.

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

Milo and Anne Schrag are celebrating 71 years of marriage today with their family. They were married on May 29, 1945.

Mary Martha will meet at Quincy's June 7 at 12 noon for lunch and a business meeting. The June project is shampoo (any kind), 13-24 ounces, and adult tooth brushes in wrappers.

Looking for Musicians: If you or someone you know is willing to share their gift of music during worship, please contact Cheri A. Kaufman at 620-345-8457 or lcmrkaufman@mtelco.net. Openings are available through August.

College age, a Sunday school class for you will begin June 12. Karen Stucky will be leading your group.

Why we do what we do: A theology of "churchy" things. This Sunday School Elective, will run from June-August, 2016. **What:** Elective Sunday school class; **When:** Summer Quarter, beginning June 12; **Where:** Choir Room, 131. **For Whom:** Any interested Adult. Read more about this Sunday school elective in the May *Eden Echoes*. Pastor Derek will teach the class.

Ranae Stucky is going to Rwanda! Service and Learning Together, SALT, has placed Ranae in Rwanda for 11 months. The Peace and Witness Commission will provide a portion of the funding needed for this volunteer position. If you would like to help make this service possible for Ranae you may drop off a donation at the church office or contact any of the Peace and Witness Commission members. Members are Pat Rupp, Jerri Kaufman, Keith Schrag, Kirby Goering and Jean Regier.

The door fronts have been replaced with solid wood doors on the 2 islands in the kitchen. We would like to complete the rest of the project but do not have the funds to complete it. If you are interested in contributing to this, please make the check out to Eden and put Kitchen Project in the memo. These checks may be given to the church office or to JoLene Kaufman. Thank you.

The West Zion Mennonite Church Concert Series continues with a concert on June 5 at 7 pm. Featured performers include Christopher Shaw, organ; Bill Froese, baritone vocalist; Dan White, musical saw; Galen Fast, saxophone; Laurie Regehr, piano & Donna Stucky piano. A free-will offering will be received during the concert. Refreshments and fellowship following the concert.

Mennonite Women USA invites you to a special summer event—*Empowering Women: Money, Health, and Faith* is a resourcing event that will take place on August 12-13, at Peace Mennonite Church in Aurora, Colorado. All women are welcome to attend the entire event. You can register at mwusa.org/ministries/prep.

Camp Mennoscah

Camp Mennoscah is looking for two kitchen helpers for the week of July 17-23. These helpers need to have willing hands and the ability to follow directions. Our head cooks will do the rest (i.e., help you know what to do)! Contact us at 620-297-3290 or Olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org. Can't wait to hear from you.

The flower beds are blooming at Camp Mennoscah! However, the flower beds are beginning to have more residents (weeds) than what we want. We're looking for volunteers to remove these unwanted guests from the flower beds. Call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) to spend your day smelling flowers (and pulling weeds)!

Camp Mennoscah is having a retreat for young adults on July 29-31. It's a time to hang out, worship, grill or roast stuff, and have a blast. Patrick Loganbill and Rachel Miller will direct this weekend of fun and delight! Register online at www.campmennoscah.org or call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290).

Western District Conference

Palestine/Israel tour report: On Tuesday, June 7, at 7 p.m., central Kansas participants from a recent *Come and See Learning Tour* to Palestine and Israel will present a program of reflections and pictures from their experience. The program will be at First Mennonite Church, 429 E. 1st Street, Newton. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend.

Summer Story Time begins Tuesday, June 14 with Marjie Warkentine, Storyteller. Ages 3-8 are invited to join this animal adventure. Summer Story Time will be 10:00-10:45 a.m. in the children's library at the Western District Offices. Register NOW at <http://goo.gl/forms/TGmHI5odLQ>, or by emailing or calling crib@mennowdc.org or [316-283-6300](tel:316-283-6300) or (Space is limited).

Plan now to attend WDC Annual Assembly, July 29-30, at Bethel College, North Newton, on the theme *Held Together in Mission*. Friday evening and Saturday activities will include worship, delegate assembly, workshops on a variety of topics, music, food and fellowship. More information to come soon!

MCC Announcements

Lunch with MCC & Ron Byler - you're invited to lunch with Ron Byler, Executive Director for MCC U.S. on Wednesday, May 25 from 12-1pm at the MCC Center in North Newton (121 E. 30th). Ron will share stories from his recent visits to MCC partners in Palestine/Israel, Bosnia, Ukraine, Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq. Free will donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the food. Please RSVP to Anna Yoder at annayoder@mcc.org or [316.283.2720](tel:316.283.2720) by **May 24**.

Mennonite Central Committee and WillowSpring Downs are hosting two events the weekend of June 11-12. **June 11, 1-5 p.m. Fun on the Farm:** Fun on the Farm features interaction with animals, relays, snacks, games, nature scavenger hunt, obstacle course, stick horse race, rides, and crafts for children of all ages. Come at 1:00 for all the fun, and you just might learn a little bit about MCC's work around the world in the process! Admission is free. In case of rain, call [620-386-0709](tel:620-386-0709) or [620-367-8432](tel:620-367-8432) for updates. **June 12, 5-8 p.m. Song on the Lawn:** This year's mini-music festival features the Book of JEBB, Cottonwood River Band, Newton Men's Quarter, Senior Jammers, and Elaine Unruh/Emil Schmidt and Friends. Meal catered by Keith Banman. Bring your lawn chairs, table service, friends and family. Admission is free, donations accepted for MCC. In case of rain, event will be at Goessel Elementary School. Call [620-386-0709](tel:620-386-0709) or [620-367-8432](tel:620-367-8432) for updates. Directions to WillowSpring Downs for both events: From Goessel: 3 miles north on Hwy K-15, 4 miles east on 150th, ¾ north on Falcon.

Urgent Needs: MCC needs colored pencils (packages of 12) to complete school kits for shipment; and receiving blankets (30" x 36" lightweight fleece or flannel) for infant care kits. If you shop online, you can simply purchase items and have them shipped to our Material Resource Center (131 E. 30th, North Newton, 67117). Items for all other MCC kits are welcome, but the pressing needs are for colored pencils and receiving blankets at this time. Thank you for your generosity.

Volunteers needed for the anti-beetle insurgency effort thru June 4 (for any length of time during this time frame) at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. Volunteers will also work on Saturdays. All ages and all skills accepted. This is a joint project of Mennonite Disaster Service and Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. Volunteers should call (719) 687-9506) or email info.rmmc@gmail.com for more details or to register.