

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.

Bethel College Announcements

Sun., May 8 – Masterworks Concert, 3 p.m., featuring *Te Deum* by Bruckner and *Choral Fantasy* by Beethoven, along with presentation of the second Goering Music Award, *Memorial Hall* at Bethel College; tickets at Thresher Shop in Schultz Student Center, or at the door

Holy Land Tour. You are invited to participate in the next Bethel College tour of the Holy Land, January 3-24, 2017. The tour is a joint endeavor with Tabor College and includes: a study of the history and geography of the region with connections to Biblical texts; the present Palestinian-Israeli conflict; the religions and cultures of the region; and time for worship and reflection. Some of the locations will include Jerusalem, Gethsemane, Mt. Nebo, Petra, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jericho, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, and the Sea of Galilee. Contact Peter Goerzen at pgoerzen@bethelks.edu or [316-284-5356](tel:316-284-5356) if interested.

Weds., May 11 – Jazz on the Green at Bethel College, 8 p.m., featuring Jazz Ensembles I and II (rain/storm location: Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center)

Sat., May 14 – Kauffman Museum bird walk (moved to second Saturday for May). Join experienced birder Gregg Friesen at 6:30 a.m. in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours. (For help locating Kauffman Museum, see www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/)

Let everyone be



quick to listen,



slow to speak,



slow to anger.

James 1:19

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Prelude		Robin Schrag
Welcome		Pastor Lee
Opportunities for Discipleship		
MDS Sharing	Jay Goering, Jerry Schrag, Bob & Cheryl Stucky	
Words of Gathering HWB 660		
Song of Praise HWB 14		<i>Come we that love the Lord</i>
Time with Children		Kathy Neufeld
Hymn of Preparation HWB 163		<i>Obey my voice</i>
Scripture Reading	Colossians 3:12-17	Rashelle Schrag
Message	"Opening Up"	Pastor Derek
Song of Response HWB 428		<i>O healing river</i>
Prayers of the People		
Offering/ Offertory	Please give items for food pantry to children	
Sending Song HWB 428		<i>Lord, let us now depart in peace</i>
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.

Welcome brothers and sisters! We gather to worship the Lord Jesus: Alpha and Omega, first and last, beginning and end (Revelation 22:13).

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 Pat and Bruce Stucky for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

Eden Announcements

There is a box for old directories under the literature table in the fellowship hall. We'd love to recycle them for you.

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 begin May 8 and are available through August.

If you are a graduate, or if you have one in your family please contact the church office so we can print their name in the bulletin and the newsletter. Graduates will be recognized on May 15. Email edenoffice@edenmennonite.org or call 620-345-8320. Leave a message if calling after hours.

Kids and Adults: Children's Day is June 5 at Eden with worship at 10 a.m. and meal and games following. Thanks to the Playground Committee for volunteering to prepare the noon meal for all of us that day. Practice for kids and their teachers is 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 1 in the sanctuary.

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly t-shirts are available. We ordered a few shirts for those who missed this opportunity. Shirts are at the church office and the cost is \$10.

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 May *Eden Echoes* has been printed and is available on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

Eden This Week

Sunday	9:30 a.m. Worship service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:40 a.m. Sunday school
Monday	7:30 p.m. Children's Day planning mtg. at church office 8:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at West Zion
Thursday	4:00 p.m. Eden leads worship at Pine Village

Looking Ahead

May 15:	Graduate Recognition at Eden
May 18:	6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at PET
May 25:	6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at West Zion
May 26:	5:00 p.m. SCRT and Pastors mtg.
May 30:	Memorial Day. Eden Church Office closed
June 1:	7:00 p.m. Practice for Children's day at church
June 5:	10:00 a.m. Children's Day at Eden
June 7:	Mary Martha Circle mtg.
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

Last Sunday, May 1, 2016

Worship Attendance: 176; Sunday School: 141
Offering: \$6,277.00

Next Sunday, May 15, 2016

Music: Pastor Lee & Di Suderman and Bonita Howard

Children's Story: Katie Gillmore

Nursery: Carina & Brent Knight

Budget Update:

Revenue: 109,279.03
Expenses: 153,468.68
Difference: -44,189.15
Budget: 148,840.97

Remember in Prayer

Nelson Goering: Via Christi St. Francis, Wichita

LaVerne Flickinger: Mercy Hospital

Geneva Flickner: Mercy Hospital

Patsy Klassen: Wesley Hospital, Wichita

WDC: Pray for new WDC Associate Conference Minister (TX-based) Byron Pellecer as he and his wife Hilda move this week to Dallas, TX, where he will begin his work May 15.

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

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.

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.

Join us as we celebrate the retirement of Jim Huxman on May 12, at 6:15 p.m. at the Pine Village Wellness Center. Join us as we thank Jim for his 15 years of dedicated leadership and service to Pine Village and wish him well on his retirement.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 48th Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale a huge success! You are all invited to celebrate this success at the KMRS annual meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 6:30 p.m. at Tabor Mennonite Church, 891 Chisholm Trail, Newton. The meal is \$15 a plate and you will pay at the door. Please RSVP to Josh and Emily Regier by **May 16**. Or, contact Barb Reeves at 620-543-6863 or bj.reeves@live.com

Communications Manager needed for Mennonite Women USA. Skills desirable: experience in editing, writing, design; proficient in social media; commitment to vision and mission of Mennonite Women USA. .4 FTE, send resume and two references to marleneb@mwusa.org. Deadline May 30.

MDS updates

Volunteers needed to assist Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp in removing beetle infested trees. The project will run from May 18 - June 3 or 4. The main activity will be tree felling, delimiting and chipping of slash. Lodging and food is provided. All skill levels are needed and welcomed. Come for all of the time frame or any part. Day volunteers are also welcomed. To register, call 719-687-9506, or e-mail info.rmmc@gmail.com. An MDS vehicle will be leaving Hesston at 9:00 am. on Tuesday, May 17 and an MDS van will be leaving Hesston on either Friday or Saturday at 8:00 a.m. For additional information call Project director Paul Unruh 316-772-6308. **Short-term volunteers and groups needed in Detroit, MI:** May 16 – 20 (3-5 people needed). Crew leaders, office managers, Project Director, and cooks needed in **Bastrop, TX** for youth project June 27- July 22. Go to www.mds.mennonite.net for a complete listing on volunteer needs at Lusk, WY; Bastrop, TX, and Detroit MI. To volunteer in any area contact Alicia at (800) 241-8111 or e-mail ahurst@mds.mennonite.net.

Kansas MDS needs volunteers for Sat., May 14 and 21. We will be rebuilding fences destroyed by the wildfire near Medicine Lodge. Lunch and transportation will be arranged. We are looking for approximately **50 volunteers** each day. Lunch and transportation will be arranged. Please contact Jordan Miller 316-212-3255 or jordan@millerconstruction.org for more information..

Camp Mennoscah

Contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) or office@campmennoscah.org.

Camp Mennoscah loves having new friends visit! Everyone is invited to bring a friend with them this summer--it's a great way to share fun and faith! Returning campers and their first time friends get a free camp tee shirt. Fearless Faith: Courage in Community is our theme for the summer. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org!

Western District Conference

Save the date! September 9-11, 2016 is Women and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah sponsored by South Central and Western District Conferences. This year's featured speaker is Katherine Goerzen on the topic "Beloved, Blessed, and Beautiful." Registration forms will be coming to churches in July. Please post the flyer attached in a visible spot at your church. Thank you for helping us spread the word.

Trinity Mennonite Church in Hillsboro, will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Sunday, May 29, and would love to have you celebrate with them! Highlights will include a worship service at 10:30 am, a catered noon meal, a presentation of pictures, sharing of stories, and tours of the original church sites as well as their cemeteries. RSVP to trinit67063@embarqmail.com or call [620-947-3824](tel:620-947-3824).

Peace Picnic! An alternative Memorial Day activity, Monday, May 30 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. in Riverside Park (at the Gazebo) in Wichita. Bring a picnic lunch for yourself and those coming with you. Bring lawn chairs or blankets – and bring friends! Musical groups, Shoulder to Shoulder/Rise Up Singing will sing and play. Come and sing along for peace! Sponsored by People of Faith for Peace. In case of inclement weather, the picnic will move to First Church of the Brethren at 10th and Jefferson.

Presentations from Women Doing Theology Conference - twenty of the papers presented at *All You Need is Love: Honoring the Diversity of Women's Voices in Theology*, the first Women Doing Theology Conference hosted by the Women in Leadership Project of Mennonite Church USA (February 2014), are included in a book that is available online. Download a free PDF or purchase a printed copy through Amazon for \$10. See. www.mennoniteusa.org/aynl. **Also available for check out in the Conference Resource Library!**

MCC Announcements

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:** In the tradition of Day on the Farm, but different, 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, $\frac{3}{4}$ north on Falcon. From Hillsboro: 4 miles south on Indigo, 3 miles west on 150th, $\frac{3}{4}$ north on Falcon.

The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association is again offering scholarships in the amount of \$500 to students who are preparing for the ministry or other full-time Christian service. Part-time students may be awarded \$250 scholarships. Scholarships are for the 2016-17 school year. The application deadline is July 1. Applicants must have membership in one of the six Swiss-Volhynian churches, or be of Swiss-Volhynian descent. For further information call Roger Juhnke at 316-283-0452, Helen Nachtigal at 316-283-8077, or Kerwin Graber at 605-660-3382, or consult our website at www.swissmennonite.org.