

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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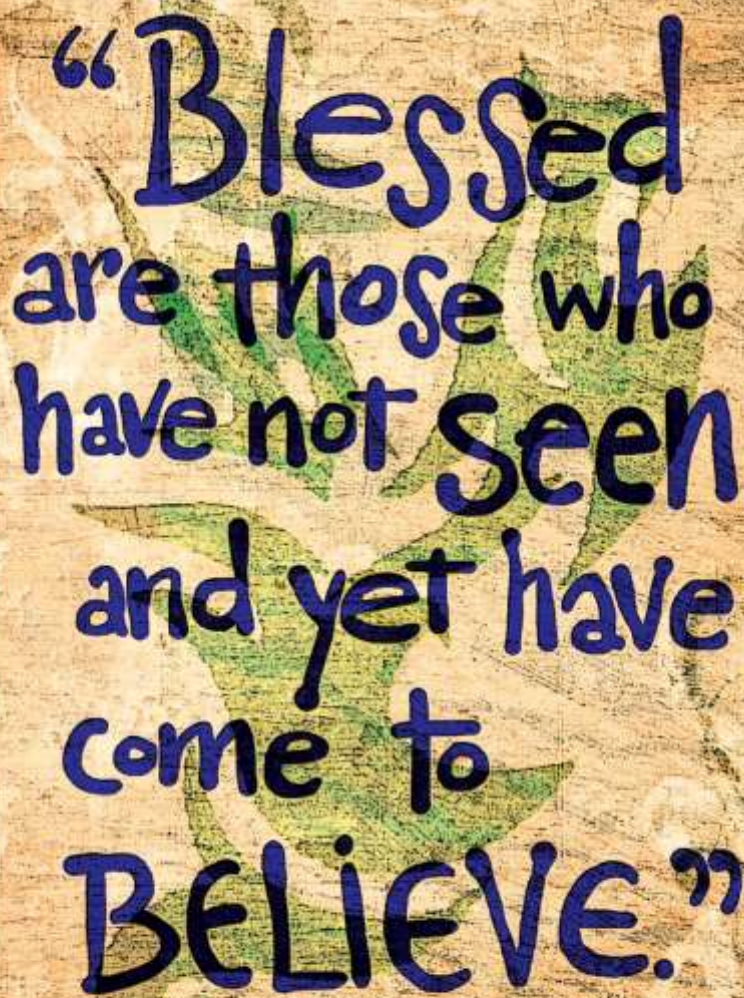
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For pastoral care needs during non-office hours, listen to the office voicemail greeting at 620-345-8320.

Our Vision: *A people transformed by the Holy Spirit in worship and service, so that through us God's grace, love, and peace are made known to the world.*

Our Mission: *To be a community that follows Jesus in all we say and do.*

Webinar to address financial needs of women: Everence Financial will present an informational webinar on the topic of *Women and Money* Thursday, Feb. 2, from noon to 12:30 p.m. Designed to address the distinctive financial needs of women, the presentation will include information on saving and investing for the future (including retirement) and getting started on a sound financial plan. The information will be presented by Andrea Bontrager Unzicker, Managing Director for Everence Financial Advisors in Central Kansas. To register, go to everence.com/kansas or contact Darlene Buller at [\(620\) 327-4043](tel:6203274043), [\(877\) 467-7294](tel:8774677294) or darlene.buller@everence.com.

A piece of aged, textured paper with a green border, featuring a blue ink quote. The paper has a mottled appearance with some greenish stains. The quote is written in a bold, blue, hand-drawn font. The text reads: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to BELIEVE."

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John 20:29, NRSV

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Prelude

DeLonna Barnett

Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship

Pastor Dianne

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are here because we have heard the call of Jesus in our lives.

People: We are here to challenge and support one another to rise up and follow.

Leader: We are here because we want to be God's people.

People: We want to learn more about what it means to be the people of God.

Leader: We come, seeking to be moved, changed, and made whole by God's Spirit.

ALL: *Let us open our hearts to the moving of the Spirit, and prepare to leave this place as true disciples of Christ.*

***Opening Hymn STS 111**

For me to live is Christ

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

Marcy Schrag

Installation & Commissioning of Church Leaders HWB 795

Worship Music

In the Bleak Midwinter by Laura Farnell
Becky Clark, director; Candy Unrau, accompanist

Ladies Chorus

Time with Children

Pastor Derek

New Testament Reading

John 20:24-31

Ben Schrag

Worship Music

The Prayer arr by Tom Fettke

Ladies Chorus

Message

"Living Signs"

Pastor Derek

***Song of Response HWB 324**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Prayers of the People

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
Deadline for all commission/committee reports
- Monday** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg. @ church office

Looking Ahead

- Jan 11:** 6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Jan 16:** 3:30 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.
- Jan 18:** 6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Jan 19:** 7:00 p.m. ELT meets at Eden
- Jan 25:** 6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Jan 28:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Leadership Retreat
- Feb 5:** Congregational Celebration of 2016 following meal
- Feb 7:** Mary Martha meeting
- Feb 8:** 6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Service Project
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Last Sunday, Jan 1, 2017

Worship Attendance: 151; Sunday school: 132
Offering: \$4,680.00

Next Sunday, Jan 15, 2017

Music: Chancel Choir
Scripture: John 2:1-11
Children's Time: Kyle & Sarah Neufeld
Nursery: Carol & Larry Temple

Bethel College

Tues., Jan 10 – Friends of the MLA presentation, 7 p.m., Ben Goossen, “Mennonites at War: Military Service, Ethnic Cleansing and Global Migrations During and After the First World War,” *Kauffman Museum*

Mon., Jan. 16 – Bethel College annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration, 7 p.m., with Regina Shands Stoltzfus, assistant professor for peace, justice and conflict studies at Goshen (Indiana) College, speaking on “Renewing the Spirit of Empowerment,” *Krehbiel Auditorium*. Also plan to participate in a **special history walk** earlier in the day (choose from **two start times, 3 p.m. or 3:30 p.m.**), starting at the Newton train station (corner of 5th and Main), with tour leaders Larry Lee and Michelle Armster.

Thurs., Jan. 19 – Film and discussion, 5:30 p.m., *Kauffman Museum*. There will be a showing of Daryl F. Zanuck’s 1949 film *Pinky*, with discussion led by Bethel College faculty Allen Jantz and Kip Wedel.

Aldo Leopold Birthday Dutch Oven Dinner, Wednesday, January 11

In honor of conservationist and author of "A Sand County Almanac" Aldo Leopold's 130th birthday, the Dyck Arboretum invites you to join us for a dutch oven dinner on Wednesday, January 11th at 6 p.m., followed by a short program. The menu for the Dutch Oven Meal will include: Roast Pork Tenderloin with vegetables, hash browns, tossed salad, creamed corn, and a choice of apple, cherry or peach cobbler with ice cream. Meal cost is \$15 per adult and \$10 per child (ages 3 to 12). Children under age 3 may eat for free. Revenue will go toward the renovation of the Visitor Center kitchen and restrooms. Reservations are required no later than **Monday, January 9th** at 4 p.m.

The fifth concert of the 2016-17 Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring award-winning songwriter [Liz Longley](#), will be Sunday, January 15 at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. Join us for an evening of great music and good food in a prairie garden setting. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. [Purchase tickets online](#) or call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) to reserve your seats.

Register now for Hesston College’s 2017 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series conference, Feb 17 to 19, with a bonus STAR-Lite training event on Monday, Feb 20. The conference theme, When the Unthinkable Happens, will address a congregational and community response of dealing with trauma in its many forms. Register and see a full weekend schedule online at hesston.edu/avds. Registration discounts are available for members of sponsor congregations and groups of two or more from the same church or organization.

Offering/ Offertory

***Sending Song STS 114**

God has chosen me

Benediction

Postlude

STJ - *Sing the Journey* (green book)

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

All sermons and Scripture can be viewed at www.edenmennonite.org or our Facebook page, or 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 to worship, Christian education and fellowship at Eden Mennonite Church. May God bless our time together.

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 Kathy & Al Neufeld for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

The winter Sunday school offering is going to Renae Stucky and her voluntary service in the country of Rwanda in Africa. She is working with the MCC program SALT for one year, partnered with the Transformational Leadership Center which does many projects. She is currently at the Kigali Children's Peace Library where they lend books to promote reading, to improve English literacy skill, and to create a culture of peace. They also lead peer mediation trainings to help teach how to solve conflict peacefully. The money will be used to buy more books and materials such as paper, pencils, crayons, etc. Renae is very grateful for our support. Offerings will be taken in the children's classes each Sunday. Others wanting to contribute can give checks to Pat Stucky or the church office.

Remember to pick up your angel ornaments from the Angel Tree. Ornaments are on the church library checkout table and at the church office.

Remember in Prayer

Nelson Goering: Mercy Hospital

WDC: Pray for WDC staff as they meet for a retreat this week at Camp Mennoscah.

Eden Announcements

During worship in January and February we will be looking at the Signs of Jesus

from the gospel of John that show the work of God's kingdom. God is at work in our world and in our community today. We would like to hear stories of how Jesus is at work in people's lives. We are looking for volunteers that would be willing to share stories that give testimony to God's kingdom work in your own lives or in the lives of people around you. Please talk with one of the worship commission members or one of the pastors if you are willing to share a story.

The directory pages for the yearbook have been placed on a table in the fellowship hall. Please check your information and the information of extended family. Initial your info if you have checked it and if you have made corrections.

Wednesday night activities begin Jan. 18 and run through March 8. If you would like to fix/serve one or more meals, contact Morgan Kaufman. Education/Discipleship Commission will do the Jan. 18 meal.

Immigration will be the topic for the adult Bible study on Wednesday nights facilitated by Pastor Dianne. We will be using a six-week curriculum created by Mennonite Church USA called, *Radical Hospitality: Responding to the Issue of Immigration*. Each session will include a 15-20 minute video followed by a time of discussion. This study will explore what the Bible says about immigration, basic facts about U.S. immigration and our role as Anabaptist Christians to this challenging issue. This study will begin on **January 18**.

Pastor Dianne will be on the AMBS campus in Elkhart, Indiana, January 9-15 for her current course on "Human Sexuality and Christian Ethics." This week of intensive class time is part of her work for the course along with readings and assignments that she is doing online. She will be back in the church office on January 16.

All Commissions and Committees are asked to meet ASAP to organize. Please let the church office know who will be in charge of signing vouchers, chairperson, etc. so changes can be made in the yearbook and the yearbooks/directories can be printed. Please call the church office at 620-345-8320, (leave a message on voicemail if after hours) or email www.edenmennonite.org with your information.

The Historical/Archival Committee has placed video and audio cassettes from 2009 and several empty slide carousels on a table in Fellowship Hall. You are welcome to take those that interest you. Whatever is left will be discarded.

We have decided to produce a new Church Pictorial Directory for our church family. We have selected Lifetouch Church Directories and Portraits for this important project. Lifetouch is providing the directory at no cost to our church. Plus, every family photographed receives a complimentary directory and 8 x 10 portrait! You can sign up for your appointment at the church during fellowship time on Jan 8, 15 or 22 or sign up right now online at <https://www.securedata-trans14.com/ap/edenmennonitechurch/index.php?page=10>

Photos will be taken at the following times: Wednesday-Saturday, January 25-28 at the Church; Monday-Thursday, January 30-February 2 at the Pine Village Wellness Center; Photography appointments are from 2 pm to 9 pm on weekdays and 10 am to 5 pm on Saturdays.

For your convenience, all photos and portrait viewing will take place at the Church or Pine Village. You will have a variety of poses taken, and Lifetouch never charges a sitting fee! One pose will be selected for the directory. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help call or text Bret Gillmore at 620-585-2525 or e-mail at bmg@lrmutual.com

Our Extended Church Family

Wanted: Cars, Trucks, Tractors, Farm Equipment (old and new) and large items of value for the Kansas MCC Sale. These are tax deductible donations that can benefit you as well as MCC. If you have items you don't know what to do with, PLEASE consider donating them to the Kansas MCC Sale. We take your donations seriously and will make every effort possible to help it bring a good price. Call Jerry Toews [620-367-8257](tel:620-367-8257) for info and details.

Mennonite Disaster Service will have two separate projects in Corpus Christi, TX this winter. A traditional project that will focus on roofing work has already started and will work until early March if weekly volunteers are available. Lloyd and Irene Letkeman will direct the project. An RV project will start the first week of February and continue at least through March, directed by Bert and Doreen Warms. They will do work related to flooding, primarily interior work. They will stay at Adventure Texas RV Resort, 10754 IH 37 Access North, Mathis, TX.

Do you have your summer vacation plans set yet? Why not spend it in Orlando, Florida? You can attend the Mennonite Church USA convention as well as visit your favorite theme park. The convention takes place July 4-8 with the theme: "Love is a verb." Learn more at: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/> or find the convention on Facebook or Twitter.