

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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***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.*

Every two years, at the Mennonite Church USA convention, the Delegate Assembly convenes to tend to the business of Mennonite Church USA. However, at convention in Orlando, Florida — July 4–8, 2017 — the role of delegates will be anything but business-as-usual. This year we will be trying something new — the Future Church Summit — in conjunction with the regular Delegate Assembly. Click on this link to find out how it will work: http://mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Information-for-Delegates_Final.pdf.

All women in Western District and South Central Conferences are invited to attend the annual Mennonite Women Spring Supper March 23 at 6 p.m. at Bethel College. Supper provided by Bethel College Women's Association (BCWA). Make your reservation by March 16.

*“I am the
resurrection
and the life.”*

JOHN 11:25



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Prelude Bonita Howard

Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship Gail Stucky

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Let us worship God who is rich in mercy

People: Who makes alive when we are dead,

Leader: Who gives new life out of great love for us.

People: Let us worship God together.

Opening Song HWB 6 (vs. 1, 2, 4) *Here in this place*

Worship Music Woven

Calling my Children Home arranged by Lason, Waller, and Yates

Scripture John 11:1-45

Michelle Schrag, Emily Knight, Anna Stucky

Time with Children Candy Unrau

Worship Music Woven

Saints Bound for Heaven arranged by Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

Message Pastor Derek

***Song of Response STS 92** *Sing with all the saints in glory*

Prayers of the People

Offering/Offertory

Penny Collection for MCC Pass your coins to the children in the aisles

Worship Music Woven

Freedom is Coming arranged by Anders Nyberg

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! In the words of the psalmist, let us “exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool” (Psalm 99:5, NIV).

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 Shayna and Ian Smith for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

The road signs in front remind us of the signs that were part of Jesus' ministry. Both types of signs guide our way and point to a reality beyond themselves. May we look for the signs of God's work in our world today.

If you would like to make your donations to Eden online it is now possible to do that through our website. A donate button has been added to the home page. Go to <http://www.edenmennonite.org>.

Wednesday March 1 is Ash Wednesday which begins the season of Lent. We encourage you to come for the meal promptly at 6:00 to finish eating in time for the Ash Wednesday service from 6:30-6:45 pm in the front of the sanctuary. It will be a service of singing, scripture, prayer, and the imposition of ashes. **The children's activities and the adult immigration study will begin as usual at 6:45 pm.** We will be considering ways we might respond to offer hospitality to the “strangers” among us. For our time together, Michele Hershberger and Kendra Alison, will be our guests to talk about what they are doing on refugee resettlement in the Hesston community.

Mennonite Men have committed to paying the fee for the buildings rental on the Kansas State Fairgrounds for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. Please give your \$100, (or whatever you can) to Keith Albrecht or take it to the church office.

Mary Martha Circle will meet for our all day March meeting on Tuesday, March 7. Lunch is a covered dish. Project is Health Kits.

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
4:00-6:00 p.m. Camp Mennoscah Fundraiser at Eden
- Monday** 7:00 p.m. ELT meets at Eden
- Wednesday** Ash Wednesday
6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday service
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

Looking Ahead

- Mar 5:** Tolles and MVS share during SS hour
- Mar 6:** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.
- Mar 7:** Mary Martha all day meeting
- Mar 8:** 6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at First Mennonite (Mar 1 & 8)
6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Service project night
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Mar 12:** Daylight Saving Time begins (set your clocks ahead 1 hr.)
- Mar 14:** 6:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg.
7:00 p.m. Edu/Disc Commission mtg. at church
- Mar 15: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Last Sunday, Feb 19, 2017

Worship: 198; SS: 127
Offering: \$4,510.00

Next Sunday, Feb 26, 2017

Music: Ladies Chorus
Children's Time: Berni Kaufman
Nursery: Sarah & Kyle Neufeld

Remember in Prayer

Mark Rupp: Showalter Villa Rehab

Elsie Kaufman: Dismissed from Newton Medical Center to Pine Village

Eldon Zerger: Mercy Hospital

The family of Milo Schrag grieving after his death on Feb 20.

WDC: Pray for WDC members participating in a Hispanic women's gathering in Dallas this weekend.

Milo Schrag (93) passed away on Monday, February 20. Services were held at Eden on Friday, Feb 24. We extend our sympathy to his sons Jerry (Linda), and Robert (Marcy) and all of Milo's extended family.

Eden's game night has been rescheduled for 6:30 p.m., Saturday, March 4, at the Pine Village Wellness Center. Bring games, a snack and/or soda. For information, contact Bret and Marla Gillmore or Gary and Bonita Howard.

The Eden Endowment Fund Committee, (Ken Preheim, Dick Gehring, Eugene Goering, Fred Schrag and Larry Temple (deacon rep), will be accepting grant applications until March 10, 2017. Grant applications should follow the Endowment Policy guidelines. A copy of the policy and grant applications are on the literature table in the fellowship hall. The committee has decided to grant up to \$12,500.00 this year. Grants will be awarded by May 1, 2017.

The 2017 Directory/Yearbook has been printed and is available beneath the literature table in the fellowship hall. You may drop your old directories in the recycle box next to them.

Please bring your non-perishable food items and your monetary donations and place them in the containers provided in the library the first Sunday of the month. All will be split between the Moundridge Food Pantry and the McPherson County Food Bank.

The new Camp Mennoscah brochures have arrived and may be picked up on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

Our Extended Church Family

Pine Village Annual Corporation Meeting is Tuesday, March 7 in the Wellness Center. All Corporation members (anyone who has donated \$200 or more) are invited to attend. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and the meetings start at 6:30 p.m. During the meeting new board members will be elected, a volunteer of the year will be honored and employees will be honored for their years of service. Please RSVP by February 28 to Pine Village at 345.2901.

Newton Et Cetera Shop invites applications to their annual Local Giving grant process. Local Giving grants are made available each spring by the Newton Et Cetera Shop board of directors. Application forms may be downloaded at newtonetceterashop.com and must be submitted by e-mail to localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com by April 7, 2017. More than \$20,000 will be awarded to selected groups by June 2017, in amounts up to \$5,000. Applicants for the Local Giving grants must hold legal nonprofit status and operate out of and serve Newton, Hesston, Goessel, Moundridge, Whitewater, Elbing, Halstead or Walton. Applicants do not need to have a religious affiliation or mission, but they must function in a manner consistent with Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and be guided by purposes consistent with MCC's.

Hymn Sing & Dessert Auction for the New Playground Structure! This afternoon, **February 26** at Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge from 4-6pm, we will be gathering to sing hymns and bid on desserts made by wonderful camp friends. Be ready to write down your favorite hymns. Several song leaders and accompanists will there to lead us in joyous noise. See you there!

Moundridge Senior Center Benefit Breakfast on Saturday, March 4 from 7:30 until 10:00 a.m. at the Senior Center. Menu is biscuits and gravy, hash brown potato patty, juice and coffee. A donation is appreciated. The proceeds for the breakfast will go towards the purchase of a new reach in freezer. Come support your local Senior Center.

A MCC Fellowship Meal will be held at West Zion on Sunday, April 2, following worship. The cost of the meal is \$20 per adult and \$6 per child. All of the proceeds go to MCC. **RSVP is required by March 13.** Please email or call Sharon Becker dsbecker@mtelco.net or 620-747-0924, or pick up a Guest Registration form from the literature table in the fellowship hall.

2017 MCC Comforter Blitz sponsored by Kansas Friends of MCC will be March 6-10 at Journey at Yoder campus. See poster on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall for more details.

Save the date: All women in Western District and South Central Conferences are invited to attend the annual Mennonite Women Spring Supper on March 23 at 6 pm at Bethel College. Supper provided by Bethel College Women's Association (BCWA). Stories shared by Leah Mueller, Christine Schweitzer, Barbara Krehbiel Gehring and Mary Herr about "Living Faithfully in our Communities". Cost for meal: \$12 payable at the door for BCWA. Make your reservation by March 16 to: westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com or call 316-283-3342 (Marlene V. Faul). Offering will be received for a Mennonite Central Committee women's project (make checks payable to MCC).

Sunday, March 19, 2017, 3:30-5:30 will be an opportunity for writers to share some of their work with fellow writers at 701 Café in Newton. Mid-Winter Blues and Other Musings is our focus for this event sponsored by the StoryTellers of the Great Plains. Submit up to 500 words of your favorite prose to share. Send by March 13 with \$5 to Laurie Oswald Robinson at 3 Grove Court, Newton, KS 67114 or email her at laurieor123@gmail.com for more information. Submission guidelines: uplifting, inspirational, thought provoking, humorous. Come read or listen and network with others who share your interest. Snacks will be available.

On Tuesday, February 28 at 6:30 p.m. in Hesston, the [Dyck Arboretum of the Plains](#) will continue its **2017 Winter Lecture Series with Hutchinson Community College biology professor Mark Nolen** speaking about "[Animal Sounds Around Us](#)". The lecture will take place in the Prairie Pavilion. The cost of the lecture is \$2 per person.

Come to Youth Volunteer Weekend! Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to come to Camp Mennoscah on March 10-11 for a time of worship, service, and fun. We'll gather on Friday with worship and singing, spend time on service projects on Saturday, and finish up with more singing and worship. Youth groups are welcome; we have counselors and sponsors are not required to attend. Any sponsors wanting to attend should contact Camp Mennoscah at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290). It's a great time to come to Camp Mennoscah!

Scrapbook and Craft Retreats are only a few short days away! Sign up for your weekend of devotions, cropping and craftiness, and lots of relaxing fun at www.campmennoscah.org or call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290). Retreats are March 3-5 and March 17-19. We can't wait to see you!

The Moundridge United Methodist Church will be holding classes for the Dave Ramsey course called Financial Peace University! We will hold the classes from April 5 through May 3 at 6 p.m. each Wednesday evening. This will be FREE to ALL attendees! It will also include a light meal as well as babysitting. We would ask that you preregister so we can plan for the meals and babysitting. Please respond to [620-345-2124](tel:620-345-2124) with a message. We can email you a form or mail it to you.

MCC Comforter Blitz, Journey at Yoder: Mar 6, noon to 5 p.m., Mar 7 & 8, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Lunch served Mar 7 & 8