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.

Mennonite Women USA is celebrating its 100th birthday in 2017. Our theme for the year is Fruit from the Vine, based on John 15.5. We are seeking submissions of stories, prayers, poems, songs and readings to add to our Centennial Celebration resources. If selected, they will be posted to our website at mwusa.org/centennial. Email Marlene Bogard with your submissions by April 1: marleneb@mwusa.org

Pine Village will host its 6th Dementia Education Series beginning Apr 4. This is a four class series, with classes on April 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Wellness Center on the Pine Village campus. The series teaches the basics of dementia, including how it works, its stages and what resources are available to family and caregivers. The series is taught by Pine Village team members Jenna Lehrman, Director of Nursing, and Shelby Shaw, Administrator. The series is open to the public and free to attend, but space is limited. If you are interested in attending, please contact Shelby 620-345-2901 or Shelby.shaw@pinevillage.org.

Call for submissions: Mennonite Church USA at age 15 - In 2017, Mennonite Church USA celebrated the 15th anniversary of the merger between the old Mennonite Church and the General Conference Mennonite Church to form MC USA. In other words, MC USA turned 15 years old. The May issue of *The Mennonite* magazine will feature reflections on the last 15 years for this denomination and where we're headed. The Mennonite, Inc. incites short 200-300 word reflections on one or more of the following questions, to be published alongside the larger reflections in the May issue. Please send your reflections, along with a picture of yourself and a one sentence bio statement to: editor@themennonite.org by Monday, March 27.



as mortals see;
they look on the
outward appearance,
but the LORD
looks on the heart.

1 Samuel 16:7, NRSV

Lent 4: Restore us, O God! We see .

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Lent 3: Restore us, O God! We see.

Prelude Karen Kaufman

Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship

Pastor Dianne

*Call to Worship

Here in this place we gather to worship

Open our eyes and our hearts.

Here in this place we gather to see you.

Open our eyes and our hearts.

Here in this place we gather to perceive you in all your glory and beauty.

Open our eyes and our hearts.

Remove our blindness so that we might see ourselves honestly, and humbly worship you.

*Opening Songs (on screen)

Led by Worship Band

Will the Circle Be Unbroken Try a Little Kindness

Time with Children Shirley Delk

Confession and words of assurance

Scripture I Samuel 16:1-13

Message "To see or not to see..." Pastor Derek

***Song of Response HWB 545** (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5) Be thou my vision

Prayers of the People

Theme Song STJ 29 You are all we have

Offering/Offertory

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

*Sending Song (on screen) Crying Holy

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! Brothers and sisters, welcome to worship as we are wrapped in the embrace of our loving Creator!

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 visual display at the front of the sanctuary is a way of helping us focus on our Lenten theme, "Restore Us, O God!". Each Sunday a cloth of a different color is added to the cross representing our call to be restored as we hunger, wonder, thirst, see, breathe, hope, and live. Lent is often referred to as a wilderness time represented by the rocky landscape on the table which includes a container of water needed for this journey of renewal.

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.

Church office remodeling continues! Volunteers are needed almost every day. If available please contact Larry Kaufman or any of the trustees for details.

Mobility Worldwide PET KS are planning another wheelchair distribution to Guatemala April 29-May 6, 2017. If anyone would like to help with special projects make checks to MW PET KS and memo distribution trip.

Mary Martha Circle will meet Tuesday, April 4 for our all day April meeting. Lunch is a covered dish. Project, Newborn Kits.

Hilda Schrag's 100th Birthday is Sunday, April 9. She will be celebrating that day with family. If you would like to help her celebrate, cards may be sent to her at Pine Village, 86 22nd Ave., Moundridge, KS 67107.

Eden This Week

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Fellowship

10:40 a.m. Sunday school

Monday 7:00 p.m. ELT meets at Eden Mennonite Church

Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir

8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Looking Ahead

Apr 4: Mary Martha all day meeting

Apr 5: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir

8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Apr 6: 4:00-9:00 p.m. Relish Committee works in church kitchen

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission meeting at church office

Apr 7 & 8: Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Apr 9 & 10: 7:00 p.m. Associated Churches Holy Week services at West

Zion

Apr 12: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir

8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Apr 14: 6:30 p.m. Meal and Communion at Eden

Apr 16: Easter Sunday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Service

Apr 17: 6:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission meeting at church office

Apr 19: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir

8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Apr 23: Peace Sunday at Eden

Last Sunday, March 19, 2017

Worship: 198; SS: 169 Offering: \$8,935

Next Sunday, April 5, 2017

Music: Men's Chorus

Children's Time: Bruce & Pat Stucky Nursery: Jerri & Warren Kaufman

Remember in Prayer

Mark Rupp: Showalter Villa Rehab

Ronnie Schrag: Dismissed from Newton Medical Center

Pray for the Mennonite Church USA Executive Board as it meets March 30-April 1 in Kansas City, MO, to worship, discern and care for the business of the church.

WDC: Pray for God's guidance and wisdom for the WDC Ministerial Leadership Commission as they meet this Friday.

Orville & MaryAnn Waltner's 60th wedding anniversary is March 31. The Waltner children provided the flower arrangement in their honor.

Share the Gift of Music: If you or someone you know is interested in sharing the gift of music during Sunday worship, please contact Cheri Kaufman at 620-345-8457 (home), 620-386-0583 (cell) or lcmrkauf@mtelco.net. Dates are available May 14 – Sept 3.

Eden Church has an antique Mosley-Bahmann Co. safe for sale. We are offering this safe to Eden members on a sealed bid type sale. If interested, please submit your bids at Eden Church Office. The bids will end and be opened on Monday, **April 3** @ 8:00 a.m.

Moundridge Community Holy Week Services. All are invited to West Zion Mennonite Church, April 9 and 10, at 7:00PM for Moundridge's annual Holy Week services sponsored by the Associated Churches of Moundridge. Kurt Horst, Lead Pastor of Whitestone Mennonite Church in Hesston, will speak consecutive nights on the themes of "The Cross as Tragedy" and "The Cross as Healing." Kurt will draw from the book of Lamentations and the Gospel of Luke to explore how the trauma and tragedy of Jesus' death on the cross can bring peace and healing for us in our experiences of tragedy and trauma.

Interested in worshiping with our wider church? The Mennonite Church USA Convention and Western District Conference Annual Assemblies are right around the corner! These events are a great way to connect with our brothers and sisters, stay up to date on information from around the world, and praise God for our many blessings. The MCUSA Convention is July 4-8 in Orlando, FL; and the WDC Annual Assembly is August 4-6 in Arlington, TX. In addition, our congregation is looking to fill a certain number of delegates for both events. For each delegate, ELT will pay for registration and a portion of travel expenses. To register for the event, visit the associated MCUSA or WDC website. If you are interested in attending as a delegate, please contact Kyle Neufeld for more information.

Reminder: If you are teaching or working with children/youth (this includes teachers, mentors, youth sponsors, nursery volunteers), please turn in the yellow participation agreement and screening form. Mail or deliver it to the church office. If you did not attend a training, see June Krehbiel or Pastor Derek.

Our Extended Church Family

Sun., March 26: Bethel College Concert Choir home concert, 7 p.m., *Memorial Hall.* The home concert offering will go to defray tour expenses.

Gather with Camp Mennoscah in community on Monday, April 3rd from 5:30 - 8:30 pm! We welcome all ages of camp folks to Mojo's Coffee Bar for an evening full of conversation and laughter, all while supporting local business. Let us know you are coming on Facebook or join us whenever you decide! We will be collecting name suggestions for the cabin throughout the evening and maybe singing some, too.

Ministry to refugees & immigrants – WDC is facilitating a meeting on March 30 at 7 pm for congregations who are involved in or wish to be involved in ministries to refugees and/or immigrants. Local persons in the Newton, KS area can gather in the WDC office, and those from a distance who want to participate can request a video conference link for this meeting. Contact wdc@mennowdc.org. Refreshments provided.

Self Care Lunch & Mini Retreat: Thursday, April 20, 12-3 pm, all ministering people are invited to the Dyck Arboretum Pavilion, 177 W Hickory St, Hesston, KS for the WDC's next Kansas Leadership Center Competencies Lunch and mini retreat (flyer attached). Take care of yourself. Come for a catered bierocks lunch (provided by WDC KLC Fund), discuss "self care," then practice it through worship and prayer, walking the nature paths at the Arboretum, or even a massage (\$15 charge). Bring your Bible and journal. The lunch can be made vegan, if requested, but not gluten-free. Please feel free to bring your own lunch if you need this option. Please RSVP by *April 5* to wdc@mennowdc.org. Please indicate if you need vegan option or will bring your own lunch. Thank you.

Name the new cabin! Camp Mennoscah is now taking suggestions for the name of the new boys' cabin. We would like to have names that connect with our other boys' cabins, which are Horseshoe, Waspnest, Sunrise, and Waldorf. Send your suggestions to office@campmennoscah.org or share them with us in person or at 620-297-3290!

We are putting in the dam! Come to Camp Mennoscah on Sunday, April 9^{th} around 2:30 pm to help us prepare the river for the summer. Both spectators and helpers are welcome! Meet at the sports shack for instructions. The dam will go in regardless of the weather, unless it is unsafe to do so. We'll see you there!

Cradle to Crayons is hosting a walking taco/hot dog fundraiser on March 30th at West Zion Church from 5:30-7:30 pm. It's a free will donation. We will be purchasing new chairs for our infant room and new classroom learning toys.

SMCHA is offering scholarships for students pursuing ministry or full time Christian service. See details on the bulletin board in fellowship hall.

Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association is planning two trips. The first is a May 6 day trip through parts of Marion, Harvey and McPherson Counties. We will be pointing out landmarks, trails, history, economic development and much more about the area. At this writing there is still room on this tour. The second trip is the "Goodwill Tour to Freeman". This is a 3 day tour starting July 18. We will be busing to Freeman, learning about their culture and sites. We will be visiting a Hutterite Colony and having dinner there. We will view the site and learn about the events that led to five young boys freezing to death during the blizzard of 1888. We are working to make this an exciting tour. Currently there is room available. If you have an interest in either of these trips, contact LaVern Stucky, 620-983-2348 or lavern@powwwer.net.

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Who doesn't like mashed, sweetened beans in a sweet roll dough topped with sweet, cream sauce? It may sound gross, but yummy Bohne berrogie will be made on April 1 at Moundridge High for the MCC Sale. Volunteers are needed. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the fellowship hall. If you want to serve but can't that day, people are needed to provide snacks. Please wear a head covering. If you want to provide snacks or have questions, talk to Bret or Marla Gillmore.

Anyone willing to help serve the relishes at the Kansas MCC Relief Sale, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall.

Invitation to sponsor MCC 5k Run and Walk for Relief on April 8 at Rice Park, Hutchinson, KS. Gregory, Elaine and Denise Krehbiel plan to participate. Checks should be made to KMRS and labeled Run for Relief in the memo. Thank you for your support.

Have you considered purchasing MCC Bucks? MCC Bucks are good for your kids, grandkids, neighbors, co-workers, friends, enemies, or anyone. They come in books of 10 one dollar bills for \$10 and spend like cash at the MCC sale on April 7 and 8, 2017 and can be used to purchase anything. There is one more chance to get MCC Bucks before sale day. If you are interested, contact your church MCC Sale Liaison and they can pick them up at this Thursday's meeting.

Help needed to detail the donated vehicles for the MCC sale. Help clean windows, vacuum, and wax vehicles. Volunteer days will be the week of March 26. Call Jerry Toews at <u>620-367-8257</u> for details.