

**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.**

***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.*

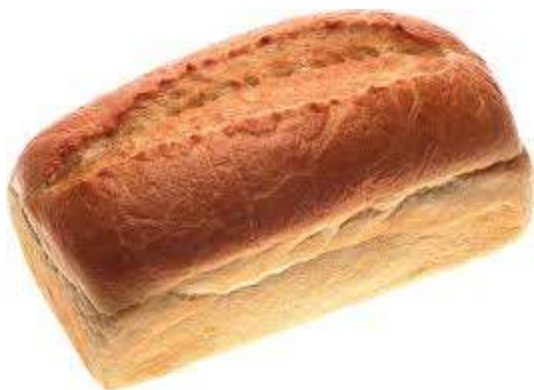
***Our Mission:** To be a community that follows Jesus in all we say and do.*

**63rd Anniversary Dinner, Prairie View, Inc. – March 28, 2017 - 6:30pm** – 1901 E. First Newton, KS, Special Guests: Mark and Nanette Potter. Mr. and Mrs. Potter will present "Victory over Depression." Mark Potter is entering his 19th year as the head coach of the Newman men's basketball program. Eleven years ago, Potter knew something wasn't right and he began a downward spiral into a world of darkness. Potter missed eight games and 25 practices due to severe depression. Since that time, he has been on a crusade to educate people about depression and encourage others suffering from mental illness to seek assistance. His passion is to share his story in hopes that people will pursue treatment and find a way to live productively with mental illness. Proceeds from ticket sales support the mission of Prairie View. Tickets - \$20. RSVP – Brandy Beer 316-284-6443

**"Make a Joyful Song: Celebrating the Legacy of Walter Jost"** is the theme of the Newton Chorale's 40th season concert on Sunday, March 5, 6:30pm at Bethel College Mennonite Church in North Newton. Director Renae Schmidt Peters has included many of Jost's favorite works, including Harold Moyer's "Songs of Faith." Admission is free with an offering taken to help cover concert expenses.

**Thurs.-Sat., March 9-11 - Bethel College spring musical, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, 7:30 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center (ticket purchase required).**

**Lent 1:  
Restore us,  
O God!  
We hunger.**



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**Lent 1: Restore us, O God! We hunger.**

*As humans, we hunger for many things. God, our Provider, knows our deepest longings, offering both sustenance and deliverance from temptation.*

**Prelude**

Jill Zerger

**Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship**

Pastor Dianne

**\*Call to Worship**

**Leader:** In the midst of myriad distractions, we gather, longing for you.

**People:** **Restore us, O God! We hunger.**

**Leader:** *In the midst of the temptation to live in fear, we gather, trusting in you.*

**People:** **Restore us, O God! We hunger.**

**Leader:** *In the midst of the challenges of daily living we gather, craving your presence*

**People:** **Restore us, O God! We hunger.**

**Leader:** *Come, worship the One who feeds our deepest hungers and sustains us with love.*

**Opening Song HWB 46**

*I sing the mighty power of God*

**Time with Children**

Berni Kaufman

**Women & Children's Chorus**

*Angels Ever Bright and Fair* arr by Marilyn Epp  
Becky Clark, director; Candy Unrau, accompanist

**\*Theme Song STJ 29**

*You are all we have*

**Confession and words of assurance**

**Scripture**

Matthew 4:1-11

**Women & Children's Chorus**

*Better Than a Hallelujah* by Nate Gustafson

**Message**

Pastor Derek

**\*Song of Response HWB 472** (vs. 1 & 2)

*I am the Bread of life*

**Prayers of the People**

**Offering/Offertory**

**Penny Collection for MCC**

Pass your coins to the children in the aisles

**\*Sending Song STJ 86** (refrain only)

*Taste and see*

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

## **Bob and Sondra Tolle and Albuquerque VS share in sanctuary during S.S.**

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](http://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 Sarah & Kyle Neufeld for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

**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>.

**If you shared signs or posts for the January and February worship visuals,** you may stop by Moundridge Lumber Company to get your items. Thank you!

**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.

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

**The Eden Echoes has been printed and is available on the literature table.**

## **Eden This Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship 10:40 a.m. Sunday school Tolles and MVS share during SS hour
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Mary Martha all day meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at First Mennonite 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

## **Looking Ahead**

<b>Mar 12:</b>	Daylight Saving Time begins (set your clocks ahead 1 hr.)
<b>Mar 14:</b>	6:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg. 7:00 p.m. Edu/Disc Commission mtg. at church
<b>Mar 15:</b>	7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
<b>Mar 22:</b>	No Choir Rehearsal
<b>Mar 25:</b>	Church workday
<b>Mar 27:</b>	7:00 p.m. ELT meets at Eden Mennonite Church
<b>Mar 29:</b>	7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

## **Last Sunday, Feb 26, 2017**

Worship: 206; SS: 170

Offering: \$5,402.00

## **Next Sunday, March 12, 2017**

Music: Chancel Choir

Children's Time: Marcy Schrag

Nursery: Tonya & Jacob Westfall

### Remember in Prayer

**Mark Rupp:** Showalter Villa Rehab

**Eldon Zerger:** Mercy Hospital

**WDC:** Pray for pastor Jaime Cazares whose ordination will be celebrated at Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, Newton, KS, at 3 pm today.

**The trustees are planning a work day on March 25**, this could possibly be a day at both the church and also the church office, please reserve this date, additional info will follow.

**Eden has the opportunity to assist a community member** who is in a difficult place due to health and financial difficulties. This person could use a refrigerator and a mattress for his home. His home also is in need of roof repair. Another specific request he has is for financial counseling and for someone to help him fill out forms for various kinds of assistance. If you can offer any of these items or services please contact any of the Peace and Witness members, Pat Rupp, Jerri Kaufman, Kirby Goering, Mark Stucky, Jean Regier

**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.

**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.

**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.

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

**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.

**Items for the Mennonite Relief Sale Buyers Guide are due March 13.** If you have any of these items that you would like to display here at church we will be displaying them on Sunday March 12. If you have other items, craft items, etc. we would love to display those on April 2. Thank you to everyone for your commitment and hard work in making and donating these items and to all those who are volunteering or giving in any way to the Mennonite Relief Sale. You are a blessing to many! If you have any questions regarding display of any item please contact Greg and Karen Stucky at [620-747-0745](tel:620-747-0745).

### ***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](http://newtonetceterashop.com) and must be submitted by e-mail to [localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com](mailto: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.

**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](mailto:dsbecker@mtelco.net) or 620-747-0924, or pick up a Guest Registration form from the literature table in the fellowship hall.

**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](mailto: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).

**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.

**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](mailto: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.

**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.

**Spring cleaning?** Please bring your clean, gently-used clothing to the Newton Et Cetera Shop! We welcome all styles and sizes of clothing, but could especially use children's clothing. Your donated clothing (and other goods) get a second life in a new home, stay out of the landfill, and help us support those in need--nearly through our Local Giving grants, and around the world through Mennonite Central Committee. Every donation helps us keep the store fresh and fun! Thank you for your support!

**Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group will meet March 7** at 2:00 p.m. in Menno Hall. Danika Bielek will lead the group in movement and music.



**Lent-At-Home Devotionals now at AnabaptistFaithFormation.org** - Celebrate Lent and Easter at home with your children from March 1 through April 16 with this practical guide! Do the parts that fit your life or everything suggested. There is a daily Bible reading, a short daily litany, activity suggestions and questions to ponder together. Brought to you by Anabaptist Faith Formation Network in cooperation with Common Word Bookstore and Resource Centre.

**Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Western District Conference** will host a reception on Sunday, March 12 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. to honor the ministry of the AMBS-Kansas Center. The reception will be held at the Western District Offices, 2517 N. Main Street, North Newton, Kansas. Words of gratitude and blessing will be offered at 4:00 p.m. The center provided numerous continuing education events for congregational and pastoral leaders over the last three years.

**Thank you, everyone, for your over-whale-ming support!** The Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction fundraiser last Sunday was a great success, raising \$5470 for the new playground structure at Camp Mennoscah. You are ever-so-valuable to our camping ministry, sharing your time, gifts, and prayers with us. Read more about the fundraiser and see pictures on the Camp Mennoscah Facebook page!

**Camp Mennoscah welcomes more folks in grades 7-12** to come out for worship and service during our Youth Volunteer Weekend on March 10-11. Additional time to talk about faith has been added and there will be singing and time for games! Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) or call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290).

**Kitchen helpers needed!** We think kitchen helpers are some of the greatest people ever, giving a week (sometimes more or less) of their summer to laugh, cook meals, and be friends during our youth camps. Camp Mennoscah is looking for men and women to help peel potatoes, stir pots, and basically follow directions. Contact us at [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org) or [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for information. We can't wait to see all you great folks at camp!

**Retirees Relaxation Retreat is ready for you!** Retirees of all ages are invited to come to Camp Mennoscah on April 24-26 for a time of community, coffee breaks, conversation, and Bible study. Amanda Rempel will lead us in music, Stan and Marlene Smucker will share Bible study, and we'll hear stories of courage, faith, and journeys. Contact us at [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org) or [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) to register! Online registration also available at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org).



**Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association will hold its Annual Meeting**, Sunday, March 12 at 2:30 p.m. in the First Mennonite Church, 429 East First Street, Newton.

The special speaker for the program will be Mr. Curt Goering, originally of Moundridge, Kansas. Currently he is with "Center for Victims of Torture," located in St. Paul, Minnesota.

As executive director, Mr. Goering oversees an international staff with offices in St. Paul, Washington D.C. and healing projects in Africa and the Middle East. CVT provides comprehensive care for victims of government-sponsored torture, conducts research and training, and undertakes policy efforts to commit the U.S. and other institutions to work against torture and aid torture survivors.

Mr. Goering began at CVT in May 2012. Prior to that, he was the Chief Operating Officer at Amnesty International USA, where he had worked for nearly 30 years. As COO, he managed the largest branch of the organization, and his tenure saw significant expansion in revenues, advocacy programs and membership. In addition to directing the day to day operations, he was involved in strategy development, public policy and planning, financial oversight and external relations. He chaired a global policy team based on five continents, leading to new research and advocacy policies. His experience gave him deep knowledge of international human rights and humanitarian issues.

Over his professional career, Goering led a dozen Amnesty International missions including Afghanistan, Bosnia, Egypt, Israel, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan, Mongolia, Taiwan, Turkey, and Tanzania. In addition to his positions with Amnesty as a researcher, advocacy director for Europe and the Middle East, Senior Deputy Executive Director and COO, he served as Head of the Gaza office for the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights in 2009 and 2010.

His writing has appeared in scores of outlets, including *McClatchy-Tribune News Service*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Huffington Post*, *The Hill*, and *StarTribune*. His media appearances include ABC, NBC, CBS, CNN, BBC, NPR, The Newshour, Al-Jazeera, HuffPost Live, and many networks/stations around the world.

The public is invited to attend. Reservations are not required and refreshments will be served.