

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.

The image features several green palm fronds scattered across the white background, primarily on the right and bottom-left sides. The fronds are stylized with dark green outlines and lighter green fill.

**Blessed
is he
who comes
in the name of the
Lord!**

**Hosanna
in the
Highest!**

Matthew 21:9

Lent 6: Restore us, O God! We hope.

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Lent 6: Restore us, O God! We hope
Palm Sunday

Prelude

Jill Zerger

Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship

Pastor Derek

***Call to Worship**

Who is this who comes, humble and riding on a donkey?

Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Who is this who comes, free from pride and hubris?

Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Who is this who comes, celebrated by powerless children?

Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna! Come join in the celebration of hope!

***Opening Song STS 73**

Jesus is coming

Time with Children

Mark and Gail Stucky

Worship Music

Welcoming the King by Ruth Elaine Schram Ladies Chorus

Becky Setser, director; Candy Unrau, accompanist

Confession and Words of Assurance

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2: 5-11

Lenten Theme Song STJ 29

You are all we have

Message

Pastor Dianne

***Song of Response HWB 614**

In the bulb there is a flower

Prayers of the People

Offering/ Offertory

Benediction

Sending Song *O sacred, wondrous love* arr. by Heather Sorensen Ladies Chorus

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 as we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, even as this path leads to the cross. "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!" (Matthew 21:9). We also welcome Pine Village residents joining us via telephone hookup this morning.

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 Britney and DaWayne Stos 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.

Thank you for your donations to Mennonite Men to pay the fee for the buildings rental on the Kansas State Fairgrounds for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. We came up just a little short for the \$8800 fee. If you can donate a little more it would be appreciated. Please give your donation to Keith Albrecht or take it to the church office.

The remodeling is progressing at the church office. There's something everyone can do. Volunteers are needed almost every day. Talk to Larry Kaufman or any of the trustees for details.

Mobility Worldwide PET KS is 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.

Hilda Schrag's 100th Birthday is today, Sunday, April 9. She will be celebrating 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
7:00 p.m. Associated Churches Holy Week service at West Zion
- Monday** 7:00 p.m. Associated Churches Holy Week service at West Zion
- Wednesday** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Friday** 6:30 p.m. Meal and Communion at Eden

Looking Ahead

- Apr 16:** Easter Sunday
6:45 a.m. Sunrise Service @ Russ Stucky's pasture (1 mile east of Christian on Buckskin Rd.)
- 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
Noon potluck meal
- Apr 24:** 7:00 p.m. Eden Leadership Team meets at Eden
- May 4:** National Day of Prayer
- May 14:** Mother's Day

Last Sunday, April 2, 2017

Worship: 207; SS: 164

Offering: \$7,715.00

Next Sunday, April 16, 2017

Music: Chancel Choir, Judy Goering/Kathy Ensz

Children's Time: Al & Kathy Neufeld

Nursery: JoLene Kaufman & Becky King

Remember in Prayer

Mark Rupp: Dismissed from Showalter Villa Rehab

WDC: Pray for the WDC Annual Assembly planning team as they prepare for our annual gathering August 4-6 in Dallas, TX.

Pies are needed from Eden for the Pine Village Pulled Pork/Baby Back Ribs fundraiser meal on April 22. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in Fellowship Hall if you are willing to donate.

Congratulations to Chris and Kristeen Thompson on the birth of their son, Elliot Glenn Goering Thompson on March 31. Dave and Marge Goering are the maternal grand-parents. Please remember the love offering for our new arrival. A piggy bank is on the library table and will be given to the parents. Instead of carrying in meals to the Thompsons, please make your meal, mark it for Thompsons, and place it in the freezer in the church kitchen.

Hey, kids and parents, the Junior Department Sunday school offering for this quarter is going to Kansas MDS (Mennonite Disaster Service) to help those whose homes and ranches were hurt by wildfires last month. Bring your offerings to Sunday school. Adults, you too can contribute to this cause through the month of May. Give your donation to Pat Stucky or the church office and designate it for "SS Offering-Kansas MDS."

Come, join us as we listen to our guest Omar Salavarria on Peace Sunday, April 23. Mr. Salavarria is from Houston, Texas and has many life experiences and personal stories to share with us relating to immigration. The work Mr. Salavarria has done has given him the opportunity to work with people on both sides of the border. You are invited to join us in the sanctuary during Sunday school time to visit with Mr. Salavarria. Following Sunday school time we will have a potluck in the fellowship hall. Please join us.

Moundridge Community Holy Week Services. All are invited to West Zion Mennonite Church, April 9 and 10, at 7:00PM for our 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.

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 icmrkauf@mtelco.net. Dates are available May 14 – Sept 3.

Is the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 on your calendar? Registration remains open. Come to Orlando July 4-8 to celebrate “Love is a Verb” with fellowship, worship and activities with Mennonites from around the country. Our congregation is looking to fill a certain number of delegates. For each delegate, ELT will pay for registration and a portion of travel expenses. Learn more at: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/>. If you are interested in attending as a delegate, please contact Kyle Neufeld for more information.

The April *Eden Echoes* is available on the literature table.

Our Extended Church Family

We are putting in the dam! Come to Camp Mennoscah on Sunday, April 9th 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!

Stories of courage, stories of faith, stories of fun! Retirees of all ages are invited to join us for Retirees Relaxation Retreat at Camp Mennoscah from April 24-26. We'll hear stories from a number of different people, have Bible study, do some singing, and have coffee breaks. Call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) or register online at www.campmennoscah.org. We'll see you there!

Men and Boys Retreat is at Camp Mennoscah, April 28-30. The first meal provided is Saturday supper, so if you come sooner than that, bring your own food. Saturday evening will feature a performance by the Flannelbacks, a bluegrass band from the Bethel area. Michael Unruh will be our speaker for the weekend. No pre-registration is necessary, but if you have questions contact Kevin Neufeld at kevinneufeld2@gmail.com or [316-322-5515](tel:316-322-5515).

Early Registration Discount for Camp Mennoscah ends May 1! Hey, summer youth campers, check with your parents, guardians, aunts & uncles, and grandparents to make sure you're registered for camp at Camp Mennoscah. Remind them it's \$10 cheaper if they register and pay in full by May 1. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org or contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290).

Everence Financial will provide information about Medicare and retirement income at three upcoming seminars. The *Medicare* seminars will be held on April 17 and May 1 and will include what Medicare covers, the differences between plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. The *retirement income* seminar, held on June 5, will help you determine if you have enough money to retire, what to do if the market doesn't cooperate and how to know if your savings will last. Seminars are held at 7 p.m. at the Everence office in Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at (620) 327-4043 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

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@powwwwer.net.

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

Western District Women in Mission is pleased to announce a significant event they are bringing to central Kansas. **Sister Care: Level 2 "Going Deeper" week-end retreat** (a program of Mennonite Women USA) led by Carolyn Heggen and Rhoda Keener will be offered May 5-7 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita. The brochure and registration form (yellow) can be found on the literature table. Email it to Darlene at dpowers11@cox.net or send it to her at the address given on the form. Register soon as space is limited. The retreat will include new material while building on the core concepts from the original Sister Care seminar. (Prerequisite: Attend Sister Care Level 1 seminar or view Sister Care DVD and read manual.)

Aloha! Pine Village will be hosting their annual volunteer appreciation luncheon on Tuesday, April 18 in the Wellness Center/Goering Activity Center located on the Pine Village campus. We are having a Hawaiian Luau. The meal will begin at 12:00 noon followed by the program at 1:00 p.m. The program will feature the professional dance troupe from Wichita, Amira Dance Productions. They will be performing Hula and Polynesian style of dance. The luncheon will honor all volunteers who have contributed their time and talents to Pine Village during the past year. Each volunteer may bring one guest. Please call Becki or Connie at 345-2900 by **April 13** to make your reservations. There is no charge for the volunteer or their guests.

The next concert of the 2016-17 Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring folks and roots musician [Old Man Luedecke](#), will be Sunday, April 9 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.

Special Holy Week Services 2017

Community Worship at

West Zion Mennonite Church

Join us for these worship services, planned by the Associated Churches pastors, offering time to reflect on the meaning of the cross in light of the tragedies of life. Kurt Horst, pastor at Whitestone Mennonite Church will offer the messages.

Sunday, April 9 at 7:00 pm

The Cross as Tragedy

Monday, April 10 at 7:00 pm

The Cross as Healing

Eden Meal & Communion Service

Friday, April 14 at 6:30 pm

Come for a soup and bread supper followed by communion around tables as we commemorate the Last Supper that Jesus had with his disciples.

Following the meal there will be opportunity to participate in footwashing.

Community Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 16 at 6:45 am

Gather at Russ Stucky's pasture to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus.

(Russ Stucky's pasture 1 mile east of Christian on Buckskin Rd.)



An Earth Day Challenge featuring David Radcliff will be held at Newton Church of the Brethren, 520 Sixth St., Newton from 9-11 a.m. on April 22 (Earth Day). Join the Earth Day discussion—including forays to the Amazon and the Artic—documenting some of the challenges facing God’s earth and the many ways we can be part of its healing.

Jewish and Palestinian Voices for Peace KS Tour - In preparation for this summer’s Israel-Palestine resolution in Orlando, join in conversation exploring diverse views on Israel-Palestine and prospects for peace in the current political climate. Laura Tillem, a local representative of Jewish Voice for Peace, will dialogue with Jonathan Kuttub, a Mennonite Palestinian human rights lawyer. This tour is sponsored by Mennonite Church USA and Western District, along with local funding. Freewill offerings will be received at each public event:
Apr 17 - 7 pm, Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church, 655 S Lorraine Ave, Wichita;
Apr 18 - 7 pm, Bethel College Chapel, Administration Bldg, North Newton,
Apr 19 - 11 am, Bethel College Chapel

Sun., April 9 – Bethel College’s Student Government Association and Kauffman Museum invite the community for **lawn games, sidewalk chalk art** (chalk provided), grilled hot dogs and more, 2:30-4:30 p.m. *outside the museum*, as part of Bethel’s 2nd Annual Pride and Inclusion Week.

Sun., April 9 – Bethel College Women’s Chorus spring concert, 5 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church

Mon., April 10 – Bethel College forensics nationals showcase (post-tournament this year), 7 p.m., *Krehbiel Auditorium*; featuring Bethel’s nationals team: Heather Chaney, Akiyaa Hagen, Shekhinah Jones, Emily Kondziola, Jacob Miller and Clinton Unruh.

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) has need for volunteers in the following locations: Calaveras, CA, Greenbrier, WV, Lafayette, LA, and Pine Ridge SD. There are many more opportunities for Crew Leaders, Cooks, Office Managers, and Project Directors. For more information on any of these projects go to www.mds.mennonite.net.