

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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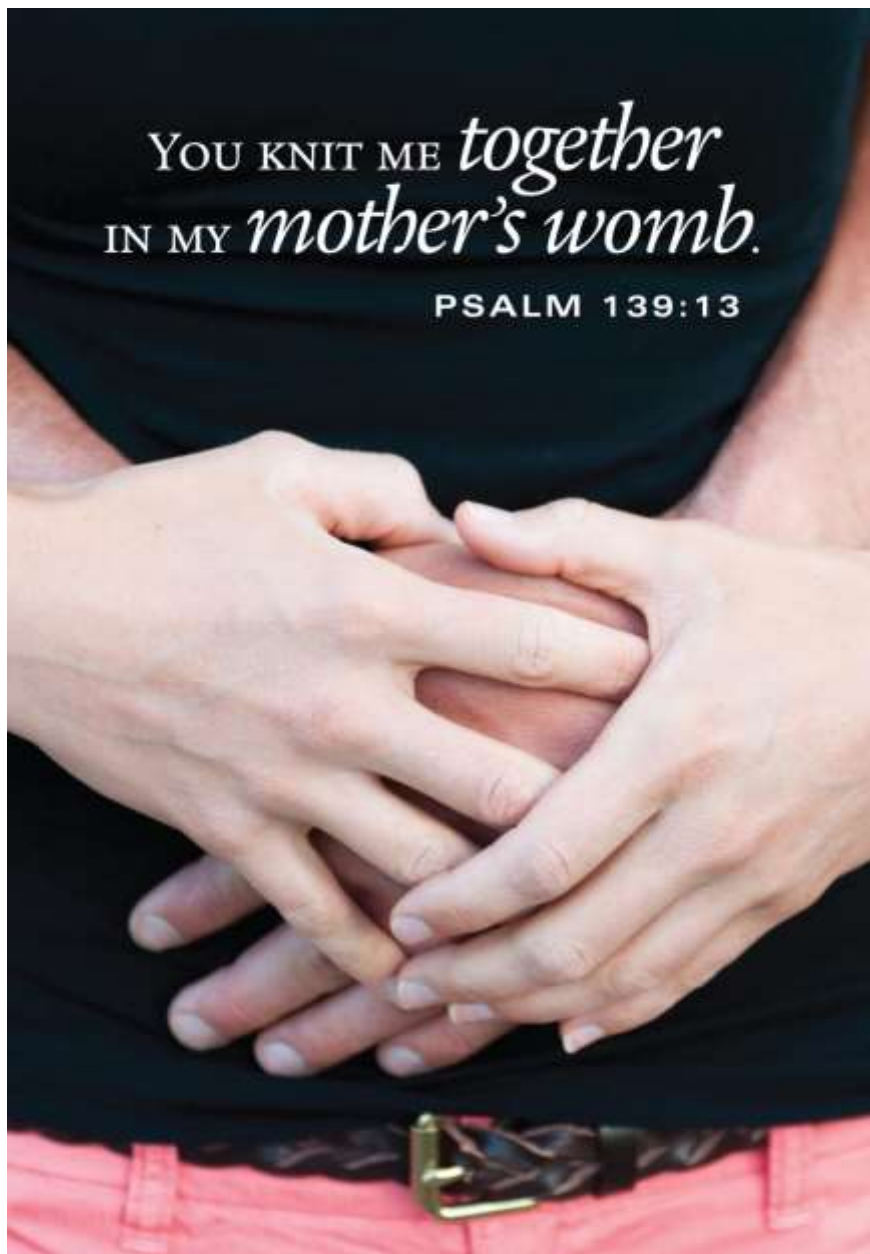
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HELP DISPLACED PEOPLE IN DR CONGO: Armed conflict in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo has displaced 1.4 million people, including 8,000 Mennonites. A Congolese assessment team visited this summer and found a severe lack of food and increasing malnutrition. Families had to leave their fields and animals when they fled the violence, and food that is available for purchase is very expensive. An Anabaptist response is underway, shaped and implemented by Congolese Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren church-based relief committees, coordinated by Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and supported by global and Canada- and U.S.-based Anabaptist organizations. Your gift of money will help provide food, household items and shelter supplies. Make your donation online at mcc.org/congo-relief or by phone, [1-888-563-4676](tel:1-888-563-4676); mail checks to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501. Please keep those who have been forced from their homes, and those hosting them, in your prayers.

Binational Mennonite Disaster Service needs volunteers in the following areas: Greenbriar, W.V., Lafayette, LA, Lake County, CA, Pine Ridge, SD, Princeville, N.C., San Marcos, TX, West Virginia - (Bridges Project). RV projects will be in San Marcos, TX and Citrus County, FL this year. Go to <https://mds.mennonite.net/volunteer/> to volunteer and see what is happening at each of the projects.

YOU KNIT ME *together*
IN MY *mother's womb.*

PSALM 139:13



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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.

Prelude

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Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship

Pastor Dianne

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are the fruit of God's work.

People: Each one of us a marvelous and precious Potter's delight.

Leader: Every one of us, woven together in love, shaped with infinite possibilities, painted with incredible beauty.

People: We are the work of God's creation.

Leader: We are God's handiwork, reborn in Christ Jesus to be a blessing.

ALL: All of us--touched by grace, saved by faith, and beckoned to praise.

***Congregational Song HWB 37**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Children's Story

Shirley Delk

Worship Music

Sing Ye Joyfully! by Don Besig

Cindy Bartell & Shirley Delk, accompanied by Brenda Dalke

Scripture

Psalm 139:1-18

Jay Goering

Message

Pastor Derek

Song of Response STS 101

The risen Christ

Prayers of the People

Offering/Offertory

Worship Music

Creation Will Be At Peace by Williams/Page

***Sending Song HWB 389**

Take my life

Benediction

Postlude

All sermons and Scripture can be viewed at www.edenmennonite.org and our Facebook page, or YouTube channel.

Welcome. "The earth has yielded its increase" (Psalm 67:6). In late summer days, as gardens and fields ripen, we gather to praise our generous God!



A nursery is available for small children. Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

The word "Stewardship" makes us think of money and budgets. But we have been made caretakers of so much more. As stewards, we regularly receive God's gifts and respond with our whole being. So, the Stewardship Commission organized a worship series on Stewardship to explore three of God's gifts for which we are responsible: Time and Creation were the topics for August 6 and 13. Today, Aug 27 is the third and final topic of Our Bodies.

Sunday school announcements:

- **Today**, Aug. 27: Renae Stucky will speak to youth and adults about her work as an assistant in the Children's Peace Libraries of Rwanda under MCC's Serving and Learning Together (SALT) program. Plan to attend.
- Sept. 3: Kick-off for the new Sunday school year during worship.
- You are invited to an **elective adult Sunday School class** which will explore our **Anabaptist faith foundations**. You are welcome if you would like an **introduction** or just a **refresher** to our guiding theological document, the **Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective**. Pastor Derek will teach this class in the Choir Room during the Fall Quarter, Sept.-Nov.
- Wednesday night meals begin Sept. 20 with a potluck followed by a service activity for all ages. If your class/group would like to serve a meal (Sept 27-Nov. 1), let June Krehbiel know.

The Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective can be found online at www.mennoniteusa.org/confession-of-faith/ or can be purchased in booklet form from www.mennomedia.org. Personal copies are recommended for anyone taking this class.

The Peace/Witness Commission has agreed to support the Episcopal Migration Ministries. Kendra Alison will be our contact person regarding how our church can assist in this outreach mission. The first project that we will participate in will be to host baby showers for three expectant immigrant mothers. At the appropriate time we will give details regarding the baby showers and how our congregation will be involved.

Eden This Week

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:40 a.m. Sunday School

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

Looking Ahead

Sept 8-10: Women's and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah
Sept 10: Popcorn and Pop with PET
Sept 19: 6:00 p.m. Deacons mtg. at church office
Sept 20: First Wednesday night meal, adult Bible study and children's activities
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

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Oct 15: Noon fish fry fundraiser meal for office remodel project

Last Sunday, Aug 20, 2017 (At Pine Village)

Worship: 215; SS: No Sunday school
Offering: \$6,091.00

Next Sunday, Sep 3, 2017

Music: Valerie Klaassen
Time with Children: Pastor Derek
Nursery: Kathy & Al Neufeld

Remember in Prayer

Perry Krehbiel: Recovering from eye surgery

Patsy Lankford: Mercy Hospital

WDC: Pray for Stephen Wilcox as he is installed today at First Mennonite Church in Halstead, KS, that God will bless his ministry as a new pastor in WDC.

Tuesday, September 5 is time for Mary Martha Circle to start our new year. We will be quilting, tying comforters, embroidering tea towels, stringing school kit bags. We welcome visitors to come join us anytime between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Lunch is a covered dish. September project is school supplies. Pick up lists of supplies needed at displays in church.

Attention all students attending Mennonite USA colleges or seminary: Please stop by or email the church office (edenoffice@edenmennonite.org) to fill out a tuition scholarship form for the first semester of college as soon as possible. Thanks.

Help is needed in the nursery on Wednesday evenings starting Sep 27 and ending Nov 1. If you are willing to help for one or more sessions, please contact Pat Stucky, Brenda Dalke, or Samantha Doane.

YOU ARE INVITED to join the choir! No prior experience required. Come join us for a lot of fun! Choir rehearsals will begin Wednesday, September 6. If you have questions please call Becky at [620-386-4145](tel:620-386-4145).

7:30 pm: Ladies Chorus

8:00 pm: Chancel Choir

8:45 pm: Men's Chorus

Our Extended Church Family

Our partners in the Middle East and Ukraine are asking for more relief kits than MCC has on-hand so we need your help! Our goal is to ship 83,000 relief kits by March 2018. Visit mcc.org/mrc/kits for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Just bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117. Contact katemast@mcc.org, [316-283-2720](tel:316-283-2720) with questions.

Kansas MDS will be working in Eureka, KS: Last year a tornado did major damage in Eureka. MDS is working on a new house build. Volunteers are needed on Friday 9/1 and Saturday 9/2 we will set and pour stem walls for the foundation. A skilled crew leader, transportation, tools and lunch will be provided. Call, text or email Jordan Miller for more information [316-217-4570](tel:316-217-4570) or Jordanmiller795@gmail.com

Registration is now open for the Women's/Girl's Retreat (3rd grade and up) at Camp Mennoscah September 8-10. Our theme is "Together: Rooted and Reaching" with Barb Krehbiel Gehring as our featured speaker. Retreat schedules and registration forms are available in the church office or available to print at: <http://mennowdc.org/calendar/>. We will celebrate 100 years of Mennonite Women organizations through stories and a hymn sing Friday evening. There will be no separate girls programming this year, so girls should register for Saturday morning and afternoon activities and seminars. Hope to see you all at Camp Mennoscah! Those going to Camp Mennoscah for the womens/girls retreat on September 8-10, please note the detour due to a bridge being worked on. Alternative driving directions and a map are on the Camp website at: <http://campmennoscah.org/map/>.

Camp Mennoscah invites you to come to our Mental Health Spiritual Retreat, Sep 3-4. The retreat will have time to relax, session on the theme of Branching Out, a hayrack ride, crafts, and great conversations. All affected by mental illness—including family, friends, and advocates—are welcome! Register online at campmennoscah.org or contact us at 620-297-3290 to request a paper form. It's going to be a wonderful time.

The Early Childhood Office offers periodic checks for your child's growth and development from birth to age 5. See the schedule for these checks on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

The annual MCC Flatlander Bike Ride will be held on Saturday, Sep 16, originating at the Mennonite Central Committee offices, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton. This year's ride will raise funds for an MCC water development project in India. Rides of approximately 35, 45, and 65 miles, as well as a shorter family ride, are planned. An informational brochure can be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. The brochure is also available on the MCC website: mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride. Or, you can register online at that website. Both bikers and contributors are needed! Contributions for this MCC project from non-bikers should be made payable to MCC; "Flatlander Bike Ride" written on the memo line; and sent to MCC, PO Box 235, North Newton, 67117.

Registration now open: Sat., Nov. 18, 4th biennial Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College, "Seasons of the Soul: Enacting the Mystery of Faith," with special guest presenter and resource person Ted Swartz. Symposium registration includes Swartz's performance of "Slightly Left of Normal," Fri., Nov. 17, in Krehbiel Auditorium (admission charge for non-symposium registrants). Registration discount for groups of 3 or more from a single congregation – for a complete schedule and online registration, see bethelks.edu/worshiparts.

Leonard Pitts will speak Tuesday, Sept 12, 7 p.m., in Bethel College's Memorial Hall, a change from previous announcements and some printed material. Pitts will speak on "What Now? America in the Age of Trump," and sign copies of his books.

Jordan Penner joins MCC Central States as the new Donor Relations Associate, working from Denver, Colorado! Prior to accepting this position, Jordan, along with his wife Jenny, served with MCC in Bolivia. We are excited to have Jordan join our staff and hope you get to meet him soon!

Ben Goossen will speak on "Are Mennonites German? Religion and Nationalism in the Global Diaspora," and sign his book *Chosen Nation: Mennonites and Germany in a Global Era* (2017) Sunday, August 27, 3 p.m. at Kauffman Museum. (books will be available for purchase in the museum store).

Camp Mennoscah's Work & Play Camp is gearing up for 5 days of adventuresome projects and people. From Sept. 29-Oct. 3, we'll be conquering mountains (of tasks) and facing down hordes (during coffee breaks) and having a grand time. The only thing that could make it better is if you were there, too! This camp is for all ages, all people who love Camp Mennoscah, and for anyone who likes the satisfaction of completing projects. There is no cost for this retreat and attendees are welcome to come for a day or the whole adventure. Please let us know that you are coming by calling [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) or registering online at campmennoscah.org

Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats at Camp Mennoscah! There are two retreats this fall, Nov. 3-5 and Nov. 17-19, for those who are yearning for time to crop and craft. These retreats sometimes fill up and we'd be sad not to see you there. Register online at campmennoscah.org or contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for a paper form. It's always a great time!

IBA Benefit Dinner - The annual Instituto Biblico Anabautista (IBA) benefit dinner will take place Friday, September 15 at 6:30 pm at First Mennonite Church in Newton, KS. A smothered pork burrito dinner will be prepared and served by Chef Carlos Lujano. A short program will follow, featuring testimony from IBA students Vicky Velazquez and Jose Suastegui, a dance performance by the children of Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania and some words and greetings from our new director, Marco Güete. Dinner is by donation. This is a great opportunity for a Sunday School class, small group or individuals to come and hear how IBA is equipping Hispanic leaders in Mennonite Church USA for ministry. IBA is a program of Mennonite Education Agency's Hispanic Ministries for Leadership Development and Pastoral Education. For any inquires contact Violeta Ajquejay at: VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org or call [316-281-4342](tel:316-281-4342).