

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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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.

The FloraKansas Fall Native Plant Sale will be held Sept 8 to 10 at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. Kansas' largest native plant sale offering many species of wildflowers and grasses many of which are rare in cultivation. Memberships to the Arboretum can be obtained on the day of the sale. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount at all arboretum plant sales and may participate in the members only pre-sale on Thursday, Sept 7 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information, call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) or visit www.dyckarboretum.org.



BE ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN

Love

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas
Website: www.edenmennonite.org

Derek King, Lead Pastor

Dianne Schmidt, Associate Pastor

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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

Jill Zerger

Morning Has Broken Valerie Klaassen, accompanied by Karen Andres

Welcome and Opportunities for Discipleship

Pastor Dianne

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Seekers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: May our eyes be opened to see anew.

Leader: Lovers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: May our hearts be opened to be touched anew.

Leader: Followers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: May our minds be opened to learn anew.

Leader: People of God, you are here and God is here.

People: May we be filled anew.

***Invocation**

***Song HWB 43**

Christ is our cornerstone

Children's Story

Pastor Derek

Worship Music

He Hideth My Soul arr. by Rich Heffler
Valerie Klaassen accompanied by Karen Andres

Scripture

Ephesians 3:14-19

Message

Pastor Derek

***Song of Response STJ 46**

O breathe on me, O breath of God

Prayers of the People

Offering/ Offertory *This is my Father's World/He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

Sunday School Blessing

Presentation of Bibles

Pat Stucky, Kathy Waltner

Welcome to the New Sunday School Year

Education Commission

Introduction of Teachers and Classes

Litany of Blessing for Teachers and Students

***Sending Song STS #40
Benediction**

We will follow

Postlude

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

Welcome. Teachers, construction workers, parents, clerks, medical staff, community volunteers — on this Labor Day weekend, welcome to worship, where God offers renewal for the work to which you each are called.



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.

Sunday school announcements:

- Today, 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.

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.

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.

The September Eden Echoes is available on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

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 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Tuesday** Mary Martha all day meeting
7:00 p.m. Edu/Disc Commission mtg. at church office
- Wednesday** 7:30 pm: Ladies Chorus
8:00 pm: Chancel Choir
8:45 pm: Men's Chorus

Looking Ahead

- Sept 8-10:** Women's and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah
- Sept 10:** Popcorn and Pop with PET
- Sept 15:** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Sept 19:** 6:00 p.m. Deacons mtg. at church office
- Sept 20:** First Wednesday night meal, followed by service project
6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Sept 27:** 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
- Oct 15:** Noon fish fry fundraiser meal for office remodel project

Last Sunday, Aug 27, 2017

Worship: 196; SS: 161
Offering: \$4,185.00

Next Sunday, Sep 10, 2017

Music: Men's Chorus
Time with Children: Jill Zerger
Nursery: Kathy & Al Neufeld

Remember in Prayer

The family of Nelson Goering grieving after his death.

The family of Bryce Krehbiel grieving after his death.

Patsy Lankford: Dismissed from Mercy Hospital

Walt Neufeld: Wesley Medical Center

WDC: Pray for WDC congregations in Texas, as they cope with the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, and for all who are responding with assistance and support for flood victims.

Nelson Goering, (79) passed away on Thursday, Aug 31. The funeral will be Monday, Sept. 4 at 10:30 with graveside service following. We extend our sympathy to his wife Joan, children Darryl Griffin (Christy), Bobbi Schrag, (Darrell), Jim Griffin, and all of his extended family and friends.

Bryce Krehbiel (65) passed away in Eugene Oregon on Aug 18. We extend our sympathy to his sisters Lori Vontz ((Nicholas), Jamie Mulder (Tom) and all of his extended family.

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

All men are invited to a Prayer Breakfast on Memorial Day, Sep 3, at 7:00 a.m. It will be held ½ mile west of the corner of NW 60th and Burmac Rd. on the river. Charlie Watkins has planned the event that Richard Regier faithfully organized for many years. If you have questions, contact Charlie at 620-664-8240.

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

On Sept 10 and 17 during worship, kids will be collecting school kit supplies from others in the congregation. On Wednesday, Sept. 20 after our potluck, kids and adults will fill the school kits, using the bags Mary Martha has sewn. Kathy Waltner is in charge of this service project. Pick up the list of supplies, do some shopping and bring items to church one of the next two Sundays or by Wednesday, Sept. 20.

Our Extended Church Family

Everence® Financial will present informational seminars this fall to help you make informed decisions. *An overview of Medicare* will go over what's covered (and what's not), enrollment deadlines and plans that supplement Medicare. It will be offered at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 11 and Nov. 6. *Retirement income strategy* will help you think through your retirement income and expenses, discuss risks that can impact your savings, and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. It will be offered at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 2 and Dec. 4. All seminars will be at Everence Financial Advisors, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at [\(316\) 283-3800](tel:3162833800), [\(877\) 467-7294](tel:8774677294) or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

Kansas MDS invites you to take part in a parking lot build. If you've always wanted to take part in MDS but couldn't take time away from your family or job this event is for you. An MDS home being constructed in Eureka, KS will first be framed by volunteers in a parking lot over three evenings. We will work Sept 6, 7 and 8 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sept 9 from 9:00 to noon. Come for part of an evening or all three! We will work in the far west parking lot of First Mennonite Church in Newton at 429 E. First St. on the corner of First and Pine. Question? Call Becky at 345-8403 or 386-0010.

Registration is now open for the Women's/Girl's Retreat (3rd grade and up) at Camp Mennoscah Sept 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 this retreat, 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/>.

The Parkinson's Support Group will meet at Kidron Bethel Tuesday, September 5, at 2:00 p.m. All are invited to hear Jim Schrag share his journey with Parkinson's Disease.

Tues., Sept. 12 – KIPCOR 30th-anniversary celebration continues with **Leonard Pitts Jr.,** 7 p.m., *Memorial Hall at Bethel College* (note change of venue 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.

Sun., Sept. 10 – Rachel Waltner Goossen, professor of history at Washburn University, will speak on “The Great War and Legacies of Peace Witness,” to introduce the special exhibit “Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War,” **3 p.m.**, *Kauffman Museum*. **Opening reception for the exhibit is at 4 p.m.**

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.

All the Mennonite Central Committee Material Resources Centers in the U.S. need a combined total of 7000 comforters by November! Yes, you read that right, 7000 comforters are needed to fulfill the requests from MCC partner organizations in Iraq, North Korea and Syria! Save the dates to join the effort at the MCC Mini Comforter Blitz at the MCC Center in North Newton, Kansas on September 29 and 30. Check mcc.org/comforter-blitz for more details, or contact katemast@mcc.org, [316.283.2720](tel:316.283.2720).

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!

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.

Litany of Blessing for Teachers and Students

Leader: “By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” (Luke 1:78–79)

All: Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. (Psalm 119:105)

People: A candle once lit, can spread the light to other candles. The light grows and grows.

Leader: Teachers, may God give you deep love for all students in your care. May God’s word reach your heart as you share the gift of God’s story.

People: A lantern once lit should not be hidden but should give light to all.

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Teachers & Students for Age 2 through High School are listed below.

Junior Department Sunday School Teachers & Students (2017-2018)

Twos and Threes: Linda Graber, Deb Lichti, Elaine Krehbiel, sub-Kathy Waltner
Students: Althea Harrison, Evelyn King, Saylor Stucky, Coy Kaufman, Nile Burge, Elise Neufeld

Pre-K: Emily Regier, Cindy Bartell, Kristen Stucky, Carol Temple; Asst. Linda Goering & Tonya Westfall

Students: Piper Doane, Sawyer Kaufman, Boston Smith, Hildie Burge, Mason Regier, Sarah King, Ampton Stos, Kason Stos

Grades 1 & 2: Marcy Schrag, Katie Stucky, Bo Howard/Morgan Kaufman; Asst. Alyssa Goering, sub Kathy Waltner

Students: Rex Harrison, Preslie Doane, Annah Schrag, Kaia Stucky, Addison Westfall

Grades 3 - 6: Marla Gillmore, Jean Regier, Rachelle Schrag, Laurie Schrag

Students: Aspyn Stos, Rhett Stucky, Allison Schrag, Gentry Regier, Atley Lichti, Fynn Burge, Avery Schrag, Alexis Westfall

Grades 7-12: Derek King, Amanda Harrison, Wayne & Danielle Goering, Bret Gillmore

Students: Trevor Regehr, Kody Regehr, Sean Goering, Alyssa Goering, Ayden Fleming, Joshua Knight, Ben Schrag

Adults, you are invited to attend one of these classes during the Sunday school hour:

College age: Room 102

SEEDS: Room 127

Cornerstone: Room 130

Christian Homebuilders (CHB): Room 147

Ladies' Class: Room 151

Men's Class: Room 129

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