### **Eden Church Office Hours**

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - noon

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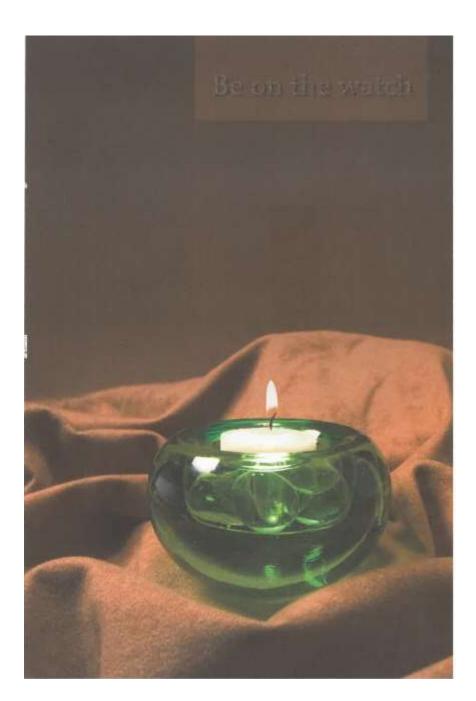
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**Ten Thousand Village/Fair Trade International Gift Festival** is coming to Newton at the Mezzanine above Prairie Harvest, 601 N Main. It will be open on Nov 24-25, Dec 1-3, 8-10, 15-17. Hours on Fridays and Saturdays: 10 am-5 pm. Hours on Sundays: 1-4 pm.

In 2016, the Mennonite Worship and Song Committee began developing a new collection. We are looking for authors (of worship resources and hymn texts), songwriters (who compose words and music as a unit), and composers (of hymn tunes) to submit original work intended to enhance congregational worship in Anabaptist-Mennonite faith communities. We welcome submissions for consideration in this new collection throughout 2017. Contact Resonate@MennoMedia.org with questions. Go to www.MennoniteWorshipAndSongCollection.org for more details.

**Sexual Abuse Prevention Training at the MCC Center** will be held on November 16, at 6:30 p.m. See bulletin board for more information.



# Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

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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 Karen Kaufman

**Welcome and Invocation** 

Pastor Dianne

\*Call to Worship

L: Creating God, we bring to you our praise.

P: We give thanks for the bounty of earth, sea, and sky.

L: We hold before you our joy and entrust to you our sorrow.

P: We are yours and made in your image.

L: Open us to the movement of your Spirit in and among us.

P: Comfort us. Disturb us.

L: Enlighten us. Ignite us.

ALL: Continue your creating ways in us and through us,

that your glory may be comprehended and your love made

visible.

\*Opening Songs Led by worship band

Angel Band Days of Elijah

Scripture Matthew 25:1-13 Wanda Knight

Time With Children Bruce and Pat Stucky

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Emily Regier

**Message** "Why do you look to the sky?" Pastor Derek

\*Song of Response STS 124 My soul cries out

**Sharing Praise and Prayer Concerns** 

**Prayers of the People** 

Offering/Offertory

**Opportunities for Discipleship** 

Rick Krehbiel

\*Sending Song HWB 427

You shall go out with joy

\*Benediction

#### Postlude

All sermons and Scripture can be viewed at <a href="https://www.edenmennonite.org">www.edenmennonite.org</a> and our Facebook page, or YouTube channel.

**Welcome.** Brothers and sisters, grace and peace to you from God our Father and our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**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 Jerri & Warren Kaufman for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

**We would like to decorate the church Fellowship Hall** with trees with clear lights. If you have an artificial tree(s) of any size that you are not using this Christmas season and would be willing to let it be used from November 27 through December, let Jill Zerger know.

**The November** *Eden Echoes* has been printed and is available on the literature table in the fellowship hall. If you would like to receive it by email, please email the Eden Church Office with your request and you will be added to the list.

It is time to renew our group subscription to *The Mennonite* magazine. The *Mennonite* is a monthly magazine featuring voices from across the Anabaptist-Mennonite world and if you sign up with our congregation's plan, you can receive this publication at a discounted rate. Through Bible studies, feature articles, columns and more, *The Mennonite* is hosting a robust conversation about what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Christ today. If you want to continue your subscription or would like to join our group plan, please contact the church office at 620-345-8320 or email at <a href="mailto:edenominates">edenoffice@edenmennonite.org</a>. New subscriptions are \$30; subscription renewals are \$37. Make checks to Eden with *The Mennonite* in the memo line and send them to the church office.

#### **Eden This Week**

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

10:40 a.m. Sunday School

7:00 p.m. Peace/Witness Commission mtg. at church office Monday

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg. at church office Tuesday

6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at Eden Wednesday

> 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

9:00a.m.- 2p.m. open house at church office Saturday

**Looking Ahead** 

6:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg. at church office Nov 20:

6:00 p.m. Deacons/Pastors mtg. at church office

Noon deadline for all bulletin announcements Nov 21: Eden Church Office closed for Thanksgiving Nov 23 & 24:

Nov 27: 7:00 p.m. ELT mtg. at church office

Nov 29: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir

8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

6:30 p.m. Edu/Disc Commission mtg. at church office Dec 5:

Dec 6: 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir

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

> > Last Sunday, Nov 5, 2017

Joint Worship: 303; SS: 195 Offering: \$12,805.00

Next Sunday, Nov 19, 2017

Music: Ladies Chorus

Children's Time: Mark and Gail Stucky Nursery: Pat and Bruce Stucky

Scripture Next Sunday: Luke 17:11-19, II Cor 9:10-15

## Remember in Prayer

**Mike Ducett,** dismissed from the University of Wisconsin Hospital **WDC:** Pray for the WDC Church Planting Commission as they meet next week, and in their support of church planters and emerging congregations in WDC.

**Eugene Stucky (85) passed away on Wednesday,** Nov 8 at Mercy Hospital. Funeral service will be held on Monday, Nov13 at 10:30 followed by a graveside service. We extend our sympathy to his brother Elwood and all of his extended family.

**All are invited to an open house at the newly remodeled church office** on Saturday, Nov 18 from 9a.m. – 2p.m. This will be in conjunction with the Moundridge citywide Christmas open house. Refreshments will be served.

As we approach the holidays this season it is time to think about those who are struggling with needs of all kinds. The Moundridge Food Pantry gives out boxes of food twice a month to those who are in need. We have families of all ages and sizes. In the last quarter (July, August, September) we served 237 people. In 2016 during this same time we served 173 people. This is up 37%. This increase in clients is a strain on our budget. So far we have been able to provide food boxes to all who come to the food pantry. But with this kind of increase in our clientele we will see a definite shortage in what we can provide to our clients in the next year. Our community has been very generous in the past. We hope we can count on all of you to continue with your support, both with food items and monetary donations. For more information contact Marge Goering at 620-345-2444.

The Peace/Witness Commission is promoting a way to welcome our neighbors of different backgrounds and places. There is a "Welcome Your Neighbor" yard sign, 24" x 18", in Spanish/English/Arabic located in Fellowship Hall with a sign-up sheet if you wish to purchase. The cost is \$10/sign. It is a means of reaching and welcoming the stranger, seeking justice and sharing love with friends and neighbors.

## **Our Extended Church Family**

**Please join the Hesston community for a fundraiser** for refugee resettlement! On Sunday, Nov 12, at 12 noon, there will be a lunch featuring Congolese food served at the Hesston Mennonite Church. All proceeds will benefit the Hesston Area Refugee Resettlement Committee and Episcopal Migration Ministries, our supporting organization.

**Camp Mennoscah invites you to join the Scrapbook and Crafts retreat,** Nov. 17-19, for a delightfully creative time. This long weekend offers you hours of time to work on your projects (and maybe catch up!), devotions, fun people, and make-n-takes! Register online at <a href="mailto:campmennoscah.org">campmennoscah.org</a> or call <a href="mailto:620-297-3290">620-297-3290</a>! Be part of the fun!

Camp Mennoscah is seeking volunteers to help prepare the kitchen for renovations beginning Saturday, Dec 2, and continuing Monday-Saturday Dec 4-9 until the kitchen is completely gutted. Both women and men are welcome to come out and help, and we will have a variety of tasks to complete. All work will be inside, so don't worry about cold temperatures! If you wish to volunteer multiple days, that's great! We can arrange lodging and meals for you. Carpooling to camp may be available on some or all of the days. If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, please contact Jim Yoder at 316-284-3890 (call or text), jdyoder@cox.net, or Camp Mennoscah at (620)297-3290, office@campmennoscah.org. Bring a friend, or bring multiple friends! Thank you for considering this opportunity!

**The Associated Ministries of Moundridge** will be selling coffee this Christmas season to help support the seven ministries within our organization. The specialty coffee was raised in Honduras on a farm owned by the family of Moundridge native Julia Niehage Williams. Both whole bean and ground coffee will be available in a booth at the Craft Fair of the Christmas Open House in Greer Auditorium on Nov 18. Order forms will be available for purchases after that event.

Mennonite Church of the Servant, (<a href="www.mcswichita.net">www.mcswichita.net</a>) 2401 N Woodland Ave, Wichita KS invites you to help inaugurate the Nationwide Poor People's Campaign on Nov 17 at 7 pm. This is a national movement that renews Martin Luther King's campaign against racism, poverty, and militarism, and adds environmental degradation. Rev. Dr. James Barber will speak to us through a brief video about the new Poor People's Campaign, originally started in 1968. Rev. Titus James, Sr. Pastor of North Heights Christian Church, and Durell Gilmore, Justice Organizer for Sunflower Community Action, will offer short responses followed by audience feedback. Laura Dungan, the Executive Director of The Seed House, will moderate. Tom James will provide music. Mennonites and Quakers will serve delicious refreshments. More information at: <a href="https://poorpeoplescampaign.org">https://poorpeoplescampaign.org</a>, Facebook – Search for "Poor People's Campaign".

**Today (Sun., Nov. 12) – The KIPCOR Film Series presents the Kansas premiere of** *Healing Justice*, addressing the school-to-prison pipeline and the need for comprehensive criminal justice reform, **2 p.m.**, *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College*; NOTE EARLIER START TIME

Offender Victim Ministries will present "Issues of Adolescence: Understanding, Communicating and Connecting" by Roxanne Emmert Davis, Parent/Adolescent Mediator & Trainer. This workshop will be Saturday, Nov 18 in McPherson and will benefit Offender/Victim Ministry volunteers, potential volunteers, and all adults who want to improve communication with teens. Flyers with more information are on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

**On Nov 19 at 7:00 p.m.,** Faith Mennonite Church, Newton, in partnership with Western District Conference, MCC Central States, and Bethel College, is sponsoring the Kansas premier production of "**DISCOVERY: A COMIC LAMENT"** produced by **Ted & Co. TheaterWorks**. This is a play about the Doctrine of Discovery, the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of Indigenous Peoples. It finds unexpected humor at the crossroads of justice, land use, and Indigenous experience and nudges us to question our stories with honesty and integrity. Several scenes in the show have their roots in Kansas locations. The production will take place in Krehbiel Auditorium on Bethel College Campus. Tickets are \$10, available from the Bethel College Bookstore, 316-283-2500. Poster on bulletin board in fellowship hall.

All area churches are invited to attend this year's Winter Luminary Walk, focusing on the theme "The Prairie Sleeps" at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. The Luminary Walk will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Nov 24 & 25, and Dec 1 & 2. Admission to the event is \$6 for Adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 15, or advanced tickets can be purchased at dyckarboretum.org or at the Arboretum office for \$5 for adults and \$2 for children ages 3 to 12. Traditional outdoor highlights include the walking path lit up by hundreds of luminaries, a nativity scene in the leaf house, and roasting marshmallows at the fire pits. Performances by local groups will include children's author Jane Kurtz reading her new book, "Planet Jupiter" at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov 24, Angel Feet Dance Studio at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov 25, and the Newton Community Children's Choir at 6 and 7 p.m. Friday, Dec 1. Dec 2nd will be FAMILY NIGHT, with free admission for accompanied children 12 and under, face painting, crafts, storytelling and hay rack rides. Volunteers are also still needed! Call 620-327-8127 or visit www.dyckarboretum.org for more information.