Eden Church Office Hours Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon Phone: 620-345-8320; Email: edenoffice@edenmennonite.org Check out our website at www.edenmennonite.org Friend us on Facebook Lead Pastor, Derek King Cell Phone: 717-201-1147 dking@edenmennonite.org; Day off: Friday Associate Pastor, Dianne Schmidt Cell phone: 419-890-8327 dschmidt@edenmennnonite.org; Day off: Thursday

**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 Dec 1-3, 8-10, 15-17. Hours on Fridays and Saturdays: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Hours on Sundays: 1-4 p.m.

# The fourth concert of the 2017-18 Prairie Window Concert Series,

featuring <u>The Honey Dewdrops</u>, will be on Sunday, Dec 3rd at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum 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. <u>Purchase tickets online</u> or call <u>620-327-8127</u> to reserve your seats.

Looking for fun and caring staffers filled with God's love for others! Online

applications for Camp Mennoscah summer staff positions will be accepted beginning Dec 1. The positions are naturalist, crafts leader, lifeguard, grounds/maintenance, music leader, office, and all-round/media. These positions receive a stipend, as well as meals and lodging. We also are looking for someone to catalogue the species of snakes at Camp Mennoscah. This summerlong position receives meals and lodging and requires the same paperwork and background check as all camp staff. Apply online at <u>campmennoscah.org/application</u>!



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

Derek King, Lead Pastor		Dianne Schmidt, Ass	ociate Pastor	
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<b>Our Vision:</b> 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. <b>Our Mission:</b> To be a community that follows Jesus in all we say and do.				
Prelude		De	Lonna Barnett	
Welcome			Pastor Dianne	
*Call to Worship HWB 6	62			
*Opening Hymn HWB 170		The king of love my shepherd is		
Time With Children			Kristen Stucky	
Worship MusicLift Every Voice and Sing by Greg GilpinLadies ChoirBecky Setser, director; Candy Unrau, accompanist				
Scripture Reading		Ez	ekiel 34:11-24	
Message	"Trust and Be Just"		Pastor Derek	
*Song of Response HWB 589		My Shepherd will supply my need		
Sharing our Joys and Prayer Concerns				
Confession HWB 703				
Prayers of the People				
Offering/Offertory				
Worship Music Then	Sings my Soul set by	Mary McDonald	Ladies Choir	
Opportunities for Discipleship				
*Sending Song STJ 87 (v	vs. 1-3)	Put peace into each	other's hands	
*Benediction				
Postlude				
A# 10 11				

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

**Welcome to our celebration of Christ** as the all-powerful King of our lives and the world.

**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 Bruce and Pat Stucky 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.

**Mary Martha meets Tuesday, Dec 5 at 3:00 p.m.** at Krehbiel Apts. (Pine Village) for Christmas Caroling and a business meeting. Project: Comforters and blankets.

If you ordered The "Welcome your Neighbor" yard sign you may pick it up in the fellowship hall this Sunday, November 26, or you can pick them up at the church office any morning this week. The \$10 payment should be made at the time when the signs are picked up. If paying by check, make the check to Eden with yard sign in the memo line. Thank you for your participation in reaching out and welcoming friends and neighbors.

**Some of you have reported not receiving the emailed bulletin.** We have new membership software in the office and the emails look different. Please check your junk mailbox to make sure it isn't going to junk. If it is in the junk mailbox, click on not junk, and it should come to your inbox in the future. Remember that you can always access the current bulletin from our website www.edenmennonite.org. Just click on *media* and *bulletin* to read it.

**The Food Pantry has been the recipient of our gifts** of food the first Sunday of each month. These gifts have been divided between the Moundridge Food Pantry and the McPherson County Food Bank. The Moundridge Food Pantry has seen an increased need in families needing this assistance. Due to this increased need the Peace/Witness Commission has authorized that the gifts from Eden be all given to the Moundridge Food Pantry. If you have any questions please contact members of the Peace/Witness Commission. Pat Rupp, Jeri Kaufman, Kirby Goering, Mark Stucky, Jean Regier

#### **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 mtg. at church office	
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. FEWZ meets at Eden	
	7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir	
	8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	
Looking Ahead		
Dec 5:	6:30 p.m. Edu/Disc Commission mtg. at church office	
Dec 6:	7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir	
	8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	
	8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus	
Dec 12:	7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg. at church office	
Dec 13:	6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve program practice	
	7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir	
	8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	
Dec 20:	6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve program practice	
	7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir	
	8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	

## Last Sunday, Nov 19, 2017

Worship: 181; SS: 145 Offering: \$6,080.66

Next Sunday, Dec 3, 2017 – First Sunday in Advent Children's Time: Larry Temple & Galen Waltner Nursery: Brenda Dalke & JoLene Kaufman

## **Budget Update**

## Office Renovation:

Donations: \$24,875.26 Capital Building Fund: \$25,000 Total Income: \$49,875.26

Total Expenses: \$93,831.89 \$25,000 was supposed to be taken as a loss from our checking account. Donations needed: \$18,956.63

Budget Report (Excluding Office Renovation numbers):

Income: \$336,628.63 Expenses: \$375,690.78 Budget: \$403,198.87 Net Income: -\$39,062.15 Amount needed to meet the budget: **\$66,570.24** 

# **Remember in Prayer**

Vernon Goering: Newton Medical Center Howard Knight: Mercy Hospital WDC: Thank God for the many ways WDC congregations support and join God's work of mission in local communities and around the world.

**Please bring your non-perishable food items and monetary donations** to the church the first Sunday of the month and place them in the containers provided.

We are grateful for the babies and toddlers in our congregation. If you would like to get to know these delightful children and would be willing to help staff the nursery on Sunday mornings, please contact Pat Stucky soon. An updated schedule will be put out soon.

**On December 3, there will be a short congregational meeting** in the sanctuary right after the church service. The Stewardship Commission will be presenting the proposed 2018 church budget.

**Notes have been sent home with children in Sunday school** to see who will be here for the Christmas Eve service. Please return the form to Sunday School teachers as soon as possible or let Britney Stos, June Krehbiel or Shayna Smith know. We are working on a memorable service and want to make sure we have everyone included.

**Nurture children's faith at home this Advent and Christmas** through family worship. Find a free, downloadable guide at <u>www.anabaptistfaithformation.org</u>. For use between Dec 3 and Jan 6, it includes a daily Bible reading, short litany, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder together.

## **Our Extended Church Family**

**First Mennonite Church in McPherson will be hosting a German Supper** Dec 2nd, from 4:30pm - 7pm. This will be a free will donation dinner. We will be serving verenika with ham gravy, sausage, green beans, bohne beroggi, zwieback, and cherry moos. In addition to the dinner, we will be having a bake sale so you can get some goodies to enjoy after the dinner. We will have poppy seed rolls, and peppernuts, and a variety of goodies for sale at the bake sale.

Many people do their **Christmas shopping at the Newton Et Cetera Shop!** Please bring us your **clean, gently-used toys, shoes, jewelry and children's coats**. Your donated items might end up as cherished gifts under someone's Christmas tree! Support MCC Thrift Shops because you care . . . about your family, your community, and beyond. Thank you!

# 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 <u>316-284-3890</u> (call or text), <u>idyoder@cox.net</u>, or Camp Mennoscah at (<u>620)297-3290</u>, <u>office@campmennoscah.org</u>. Bring a friend, or bring multiple friends! Thank you for considering this opportunity!

"Jerry Holsopple: 7x7: Lament for an Age of Sexualized Power" is in the *Regier* Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center through Dec. 7; hours: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun., 2-4 p.m.

Sat., Dec. 2 – Five Places of Christmas, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Bethel College
Women's Association offers the rare chance to see the decorated main floor of Goerz House, traditionally the president's residence, with baked goods, home-made candy (by the pound) and Bethel gift items for sale. There is an urgent need for donations of baked items. These may be dropped off at Goerz House, 2512 College Ave., Sat., Dec. 2, before 10 a.m. All proceeds from the bake sale are used to benefit Bethel College students, faculty and staff. Questions: contact Cindy Erb, cindy.l.erb@gmail.com. Kauffman Museum offers free admission (including the special exhibit "Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War"), refreshments, sale items in the museum store, and Karen Bauman Schlabaugh playing Christmas music at 3 p.m. on the historic Teschemacher-Deknatel-van der Smissen parlor organ.

**Everence® Financial will present informational seminars** this fall to help you make informed decisions. *Retirement income strategy* will help you think through your retirement income and expenses, discuss risks than can impact your savings, and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. It will be offered at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 4. All seminars will be at Everence Financial Advisors, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at (<u>316) 283-3800</u>, (<u>877) 467-7294</u> or<u>michelle.ramer@everence.com</u>.

All Camp Mennoscah volunteers from any and all years are invited to celebrate another year of sharing God's love with others through service. We'll gather at the Retreat Center on Dec 16 at 2:30pm-ish for conversation, games (indoor or outdoor), and cookies! There will also be an optional white elephant gift exchange. Wrap up that oddity you found in the attic or at the back of your closet. Someone's sure to want it, right? Call us at <u>620-297-3290</u> or email <u>olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org</u> with questions. Families are welcome!

# 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 Dec 1 & 2. Admission to the event is \$6 for Adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 15, or <u>advanced</u> <u>tickets</u> can be purchased at <u>dyckarboretum.org</u> 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. Call <u>620-327-8127</u> or visit <u>www.dyckarboretum.org</u> for more information.

**Patriotism, Pacifism, and Sacrifice - What is conscientious objection?** Why do people refuse to go to war? What does the First World War teach us 100 years later? Kauffman Museum at Bethel College discusses these questions in its traveling exhibit "Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War," on display in North Newton through Jan 21, 2018. For more information or to book a special tour of "Voices of Conscience," contact Andi Schmidt Andres, Kauffman Museum curator of education: (Kauffman Museum, Bethel College, 27th and North Main, North Newton, KS 67117, Regular hours: Tues-Fri 9:30-4:30, Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30, closed Mondays and major holidays. Visits outside of regular hours: additional \$25.00 fee. Admission: \$4.00/adult, \$2.00/child 6-16, free/members)

**Spread cozy, colorful warmth around the world!** All you have to do is tie knots! Mennonite Central Committee has a generous number of comforter tops, and now **we need your help tying them**! MCC has paired tops and backs that are ready to be tied, and we are inviting you or your church group to pick some up (or we can ship them to you)! If you are interested, please either stop by the MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton, or contact Kate Mast at <u>katemast@mcc.org</u>, or <u>316-283-2720</u>. We ask that you provide the batting and the crochet tying thread if possible. Thank you in advance for helping to spread warmth and love to our brothers and sisters around the world!

**The Senior Center would like to do some special activities** during the Christmas holiday season. If you would be willing to bring some peppernuts and/or frosted sugar cookies to serve, please contact Pat Krehbiel at the Center (345-2729) or bring to the Senior Center. If you could bring them by Dec 8, it would be appreciated. Thanks for helping make the center an enjoyable, friendly place to visit.