

Eden Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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Raise the Roof in Song - a Hymn Sing and Fundraiser for Mennonite Disaster Service - Sunday, February 18, 4 pm (doors open at 3:30 pm to view auction items) - at Southern Hills Mennonite Church, [511 SE 37th Street, Topeka, KS 66605](https://www.google.com/maps/place/511+SE+37th+Street,+Topeka,+KS+66605). Join us in a fun way to raise funds for Mennonite Disaster Service:

- An old fashioned hymn sing led by Andrew Voth, and instrumental accompaniment from our own talented musicians!
 - Learn about MDS via Carole and Wayne Stucky, Co-Directors of Region 3
 - Silent Auction - bid on one of twelve homemade desserts/baked goods!
 - Reception to follow the singing. A time for fellowship and to wrap up the silent auction!
 - Special music by The Flannelbacks from North Newton to play during reception in the Fellowship Hall. A wonderful folk & bluegrass band!
 - Start thinking about your favorite hymns!
 - The more the merrier! Bring your friends! Looking forward to seeing you!
- If you are unable to attend but still wish to donate to MDS, please make checks payable to MDS – Region 3, and send to the address above.

The sixth concert of the 2017-18 Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring [Freddy & Francine](#), will be on Sunday, February 11th 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. [Purchase tickets online](#) or call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) to reserve your seats.



THE BOY JESUS VISITS JERUSALEM

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

Candy Unrau

Welcome

Pastor Dianne

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: We have gathered here this morning to worship God.

People: We have come seeking comfort, inspiration, community, and insight.

Leader: We have come to open ourselves to the power of God's presence in our midst.

People: We have come to ask God's help in our learning and in our growing.

*** Opening Hymn HWB 76**

Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Worship Music

Sing Praise to God arr by J Harold Moyer

Men's Chorus

Becky Setser, director; Bonita Howard, accompanist

Time with Children

Kylie Goering

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:41-52

Marcy Schrag

Worship Music

One Faith, In Hope, One Lord by Craig Courtney

Men's Chorus

Message

"Searching for Jesus"

Pastor Derek

*** Song of Response STS 31**

Jesus, Be the Center

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Offering/Offertory

(Children please collect coins for MCC and bring them to the front)

Opportunities for Discipleship

*** Sending Song HWB 420**

Heart With Loving Heart United

*** Benediction**

Postlude

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

The psalmist declares: "How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious" (Psalm 147:1, NRSV). So then, let us worship.



A nursery is available for small children. Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Teresa and Dennis Graber for caring for children in the nursery this morning.

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.



Mennonite Men have voted to pay the rent for the buildings used during the MCC Relief Sale this year. The cost of the rent will be \$8800.00. We agreed that the dues for each man is \$100.00. This may not cover the cost of the rent so if you can pay more it will be very much appreciated.

Is Eden your primary faith community? If it is (Awesome!) and you are not a member of the church, we would love for a chance to commit ourselves to you and you to us. Please contact Pastor Derek to discuss what membership means and what next steps might look like.

The SEEDS Sunday school class invites you to join them as they study the history and present reality in Israel and Palestine. They meet in room 127.

Classes/group or individuals are needed to sign up for Wednesday night meals this spring. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. February 14 and March 14 are still available. Could your group provide a meal that evening?

The January/February *Eden Echoes* is available on the literature table in the fellowship hall.

Mary Martha will meet Tuesday, February 6 at 2:00 p.m. for a time of sharing wedding memories. You may bring wedding albums, pictures and any other wedding memories you would like to share. Refreshments will be served.

Please bring your non-perishable and monetary donations for the Moundridge Food Pantry and place them in the containers provided in the library the first Sunday of the month. Moundridge Food Pantry really appreciates your donations.

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
- Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.
- Wednesday:** 6:00 p.m. meal in fellowship hall
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday service in sanctuary
6:45 p.m. Bible Study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Looking Ahead

- Feb 11:** Noon potluck followed by Celebration of 2017
- Feb 12:** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg. at church office
- Feb 14:** 6:00 p.m. potluck meal in fellowship hall
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service in sanctuary
6:45 p.m. Bible Study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- Feb 18:** Pastor Review during Sunday school in fellowship hall
- Feb 19:** 7:00 p.m. ELT mtg. at church office

Last Sunday, Jan 28, 2018

Worship at Pine Village: 205; No SS
Offering: \$5,473.13

Next Sunday, Feb 11, 2018

Children's Time: Kathy Neufeld

Music: Chancel Choir

Nursery: Shayna & Ian Smith

Noon Potluck followed by Year in Review Celebration of 2017

Remember in Prayer

Jacob Goering: 2-year old son of Patricia and grandson of Kirby & Christine is ill with H1N1flu in Ecuador. Medication is limited so he is waiting for more to become available.

Ruth Kaufman: Wesley Hospital

Perry Krehbiel: Healing following retinal surgery

Alan Thomas & Cindy Bartell grieving after the death of Alan's brother David on January 26.

WDC: Give thanks for the energy and participation of members from congregations across WDC at the recent kick-off event for WDC's Year of Evangelism.

Join us for the potluck meal at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening in the fellowship hall.

The Annual Report Book is posted on our website. Go to www.edenmennonite.org, click on about, then on resources and it is listed there. If you would like a printed copy of the book, please contact the church office.

Because God has been at work in and through Eden Mennonite Church during this past year, we are inviting everyone to be part of our Year in Review Celebration, next Sunday, February 11. We will gather after Sunday School for a potluck meal with opportunity for informal sharing around tables. Following the meal we will vote on a new constitution, hear a short financial report, see a montage of photos from the year, and share with one another the ways that we have seen God at work in our church family over the past year. We look forward to sharing our joy and thanks together. - Eden Leadership Team

Over the past two years ELT, the Deacon Commission and the pastors have been working on revising and updating our church constitution to reflect the changes in our church structure. The ELT is bringing this revised constitution to the congregation for approval. Copies have been emailed and printed copies are available this morning.

Lloyd Goering celebrated his 95th birthday on Feb 1 with family. We rejoice with him and children Judilee Jantz and Jan Goering as they mark this special day.

2018 Year In Review Celebration February 11, 2018

1. Small Group Discussion (during potluck)..... Kyle
2. Completion of Meal – Transition to Sanctuary..... Kyle
3. Constitution Review and Vote..... Kyle
4. Financial Review..... Austin
5. Reading of Small Group Responses..... Jay

The Eden Endowment Fund Committee, (Ken Preheim, Dick Gehring, Eugene Goering, Fred Schrag and Tim Regier (deacon rep), will be accepting grant applications until March 4, 2018. Grant applications should follow the Endowment Policy guidelines. A copy of the policy and grant applications are on the literature table in the fellowship hall. The committee has decided to grant up to \$18,700.00 this year. Grants will be awarded by May 1, 2018.

My Coins Count: Do you have a bowl or jar of coins sitting around at home? Please bring them to church on Sunday. During the offering for the next two months the children will be collecting coins for the 2018 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. In 2017 over \$15,000 total was collected for "My Coins Count". Let's see if we help top this amount for this year's 50th anniversary. Thanks for your support.

Our Extended Church Family

Recruiting for AMAZING young adults for summer staff! Camp Mennoscah is looking for awesome young adults to be part of our summer staff family. We will be at Goshen College on Feb. 9 and Hesston, Tabor, Bethel, and McPherson Colleges on Feb. 12-15 respectively. Summer staff applications are available online at campmennoscah.org/application. Pizza gatherings will be held at Goshen on Feb. 8 at 5pm in the Connector and at Papa John's in Newton on Feb. 14 at 6:15pm-ish. Please let us know you're coming at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290)!

2018 Retreat Registration is open! You are now able to sign up for all 2018 Camp Mennoscah Retreats. Those coming up soon are the Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats (Feb. 23-25 and March 2-4) and the Youth Volunteer Weekend (March 16-17). We're looking forward to seeing you!

Everence will hold a retirement workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at 6:30 p.m. *Social Security and retirement income planning* will cover when to begin taking Social Security, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. The workshops are presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at [\(316\) 283-3800](tel:316-283-3800); [\(877\) 467-7294](tel:877-467-7294) or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

Everyone is invited to join the board and staff of Mennonite Central Committee Central States for our annual meeting on Friday, February 23 at 10:30am at the MCC Center ([121 E. 30th](#), North Newton, KS 67117).

Parkinson's Support Group – This month's meeting of the Parkinson's Support Group at Kidron Bethel will meet Tuesday, February 6, at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Robert Schmidt will share his experience with Deep Brain Stimulation. All are welcome.

The 2018 WDC Annual Assembly will be held July 27-28. Resolutions must be submitted a minimum of 120 days prior to the Annual Assembly, which is March 29. Send resolutions to: WDC Executive Board, PO Box 306, North Newton KS 67117.

Listen to presentations given by Heidi Roland Unruh and Marvin Lorenzana at the WDC Year of Evangelism Kickoff: Anabaptist Witness event held January 19-20 at: <http://mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/>. Presentation links are also on Facebook. Be sure to LIKE us on Facebook - look for: Western District Conference (Mennonite Church USA).

Roseann Penner Kaufman, director of music ministries at Rainbow Mennonite Church, Kansas City (and organ instructor at Bethel College from 2002-12), will give a recital at Bethel Sunday, Feb. 11, at 4 pm in the Administration Building chapel. "Moved by the Spirit" will include works by Pietro Yon, Johann Praetorius, Frank Bridge, Gardner Read and J.S. Bach. Mitch Kaufman, trombone, will join her for the Read. All are invited.

Spring Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats are here! Register online at campmennoscah.org for a long weekend of project time, sharing new ideas, and devotions. Two weekends are offered, Feb. 23-25 and March 2-4. Call [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) with questions.

Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction for "Creation, Craftiness, and Cooling Off"! Camp Mennoscah invites everyone to join us from 4-6 p.m. on **Sunday, February 25**, at Whitestone Mennonite Church in Hesston. We'll sing our favorite hymns, bid on delectable desserts, and hear about how, with your help, camp provides afternoon activities for campers to learn about God's creation. Funds raised will go toward the Camp Mennoscah general fund.

What can one person do to stand against "the troubles of this world?" The challenges are monumental: economic injustice, gender inequity, race relations, water and land conflicts. Hesston College's 2018 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) will explore these questions and their answers with the theme "Before the unthinkable happens: Confronting our role in injustice," Feb. 23-25 on the Hesston College campus. See more information and register at hesston.edu/avds. \$100/person, \$75/each for two or more. (A video previewing the AVDS conference weekend can be found at hesston.edu/avds.)

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Friends of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale: You're invited to host, be a guest or organize a Fellowship Meal at your church. Annually, these simple meals help support the Relief Sale by raising funds towards the sale budget. Meals, in area homes, are scheduled Feb 25 & Mar 4. Please see the Fellowship Meal brochure for additional details. Questions? Contact Greg & Karen Stucky, Kyle & Robin Schrag or Dennis & Teresa Graber, (sale church contact couples).

Remembering 50 years of the Relief Sale in Kansas: April 14 was the date of the 1973 Sale held in Hutchinson at the Fairgrounds. After the devotional service and the welcome by Chairman, Rudy Schmidt, the Sale began with the sale of a "fluffy kitten". The second ring started selling at 10:00 a.m. and included the auctioning of a combine as well as a refrigerator. The sale of sausage was completed with the donation of 22 hogs, the purchase of 5 hams, and the donation of eight additional hams. The quilt auction raised \$10,595 with the highest price paid for a quilt being \$1,020. The radio and television outlets in Hutchinson supported the Sale by providing interviews for the local viewing and listening market. The Friday night open house included eleven churches each providing a 16-minute program. This was the second year for the information booth. This booth provided information and a telephone was available for use if needed. The theme for the 1973 Sale is found in Matthew 25. ... "whatever you have done for these my brethren...you have done for me."

Stay up-to-date on all things relating to Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale by liking us on Facebook at Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale or our website at www.kansas.mccsale.org. Also, download the new Kansas MCC sale app by clicking on the link on our homepage.

Service Opportunities: The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale invites you to join our family. By tithing a little bit of your time each year, you have an amazing opportunity to impact your world by furthering the work of Mennonite Central Committee. There are variety of committee openings. See your Relief Sale Contact liaison for details on these opportunities.

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Board of Directors is asking for 2 volunteers to perform the task of being the Building Superintendents in the Domestic Arts Building and Sunflower North respectively. These are important positions. The individuals/couples to do this job are located in our churches, our sale constituency, and among the people who have participated in the Sale for many years. Please prayerfully consider and contact Jim Robb, Board Chair ([620-245-7142](tel:620-245-7142) or [620-747-0186](tel:620-747-0186)) if you have questions or interest. Thank You.