

Eden Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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Please join one of our Sunday School classes today.

Adult Sunday School

College Age: Rm 102

SEEDS: Rm 127 (ages 25-35ish)

Cornerstone: Rm 130 (ages 40+)

Christian Homebuilders: Rm 147 (ages 50+)

Ladies' Class: Rm 151

Men's Class: Rm 129

Junior Department Sunday School

All children (age 2-grade 6) head to room 103 for Kids Sing for the first 10 minutes.

After Kids Sing, the classes are in the following rooms:

2-3 year olds: Rm 119

Pre-K, K: Rm 121

1st - 2nd: Rm 104

3rd - 6th: Rm 152

Jr & Sr High (7th - 12th): Rm 100

Nursery provided for children under 2

The Junior Department Sunday School offering for spring quarter will go to Mennonite Central Committee

House warmer projects needed! MW USA partners with Mennonite Disaster Service to provide hand-crafted wall-hangings for each re-built home dedication. The supply is depleted. Please find full instructions for sewing and sending a quilted wall-hanging at <https://mennonitewomenusa.org/ministries/housewarmer/>.



Look Up and Live

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.

Lent 4: Me & You & Darkness in View

Prelude

Karen Kaufman

Welcome

Pastor Dianne

Call to Worship

Leader: Who comes in the name of God? Step into the light and be known.

People: We are coming, through darkness and fear. We come into the light by the power of God.

Leader: People of God, God has heard your cries and is opening a way for you.

People: We are here, through darkness and fear. We come into the light of this day by the power of God.

Leader: You are here, and God is here. What will you do?

People: Together we will worship our God.

Worship Music *The Storm Is Passing Over* arr. by Barbara W Baker Chancel Choir
Becky Setser, director; Candy Unrau, accompanist

Old Testament Reading Numbers 21:4-9 Marge Goering

Time With Children Katie Stucky

Worship Music *Peace Like a River* arr. by Joel Raney Chancel Choir
Robin Schrag, accompanist

Gospel Reading John 3:14-21 Ryan Goering

Song (bulletin insert) *Between Me & You*

Message "Look Up and Live" Pastor Derek

Song of Response STS 16 *Peace before us* Accompanied by Jenny Schrag

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Confession and Prayer

Offering/Offertory (Please give your coins for My Coins Count to the children)

Opportunities for Discipleship

Sending Song STJ 54 (v 1,4)

Longing for Light

Benediction

Postlude

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

All are welcome here! “By grace you have been saved ... [as a] gift of God” (Ephesians 2:8). Let us worship together.

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 and Warren Kaufman 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.



Thank you to those who have donated to Mennonite Men to pay the rent for the buildings used during the MCC Relief Sale this year. We still haven't quite met the total needed. If you haven't donated yet, please get your donation to Keith Albrecht or take it to the church office. We need to send the check for the rent soon.

The 2018 Church Directories have been printed and are available on the bottom shelf of the Sunday school supply cabinet. There is a box under the literature table in the fellowship hall to put old directories for recycling.

How often should your car get serviced? How often do you get a regular physical exam? **When's the last time you had a check-up for your relationship?** Since we believe healthy marriages are extremely important, we want to offer an opportunity for a tune-up. The **Couple Check-Up** will be a 4-session series on the **Wednesday evenings in April**, from 7-8PM. Childcare will be provided. The Deacons are helping with the costs of this series. Participants are asked to pay \$20 per couple, if they are able. For more information, see Pastor Derek. To register, follow the link: <https://goo.gl/forms/Fxft4CEPTs9Mj0aK2>

Join us for supper Wednesday evening at 6:00. The meal served by the Choirs will be sloppy joes, chips, carrots and cookies.

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 meeting at church office
- Tuesday** 7:00 p.m. Deacons/Pastors mtg.
- Wednesday:** Last Wednesday night session
6:00 p.m. Meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Service Project for MCC
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Looking Ahead

- Mar 18:** Communion served during the worship service
- Mar 21:** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- Mar 22:** Items for *Eden Echoes* due in the church office
- Mar 25:** Palm Sunday
7:00 p.m. Holy Week Service at United Methodist/Mdge.
- Mar 26:** 7:00 p.m. Holy Week Service at United Methodist/Mdge.
- Mar 29:** 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday supper and service at Eden
- Mar 30:** Good Friday – Eden Church Office closed
Stations of the Cross – First Mennonite Church of Christian
- Mar 31:** Church workday
- Apr 1:** Easter
7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service
- Apr 2:** 8:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study group at church office
- Apr 3:** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg. at church office
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Last Sunday, March 4, 2018

Worship: 252; SS: 196
Offering: \$9,072.71

Next Sunday, Mar 18, 2018

Communion served during worship service

Children's Time: Galen & Kathy Waltner

Music: Men's Chorus

Nursery: Britney & DaWayne Stos

Remember in Prayer

Ruth Kaufman is receiving hospital care. (She is not receiving visitors at this time. Contact family with questions or concerns.)

WDC: Pray for WDC congregations Beatrice Mennonite Church and First Mennonite Church of Beatrice, NE, as they host Faith, Hope, and the Mission of Rural and Small Town Churches, a study series with Brad Roth, Mar 18-19.

Whether we like to admit it or not, our Bible is full of stories that can leave us **scratching our heads or even turning away in disgust**. While it might be easier to ignore them, this summer, we want to provide an opportunity to explore and wrestle with them, and perhaps even find Good News. Pastor Derek will be teaching the Adult Sunday School elective **Messy Bible Stories**, June through August, 2018.

Our Extended Church Family

The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association (SMCHA) will hold its annual business meeting **March 11, 2018 at 2:30 p.m.** in the First Mennonite Church of Pretty Prairie, 1718 West Pretty Prairie Rd, Pretty Prairie, KS. In addition to the business meeting the speaker will be Rev. Kathryn Goering Reid. The SMCHA membership is encouraged to attend and the public is welcome to this annual business meeting. Reservations are NOT required. Refreshments will be served.

The minutes from the Associated Ministries of Moundridge have been posted on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Those in grades 7-12 are invited to join us at Camp Mennoscah on March 16-17 for the Youth Volunteer Weekend. There will be singing, worship, s'mores, service projects, and likely some silliness. Rachel Miller and Isaac Entz will lead the frivolities. This is your chance to stay in the Retreat Center because of the kitchen renovations! Parents and sponsors do not need to attend. Register online at campmennoscah.org or call [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for assistance. Come join the fun!

Camp Mennoscah has 8 summer camps for youth in grades 3-12 (fall 2018) and we want you to come. We're discovering amazing adventures in God's love and seeking God in creation and community. Register for your adventure at Camp Mennoscah at campmennoscah.org. Early registration discount until May 1 when full camp fees are paid!

Know anyone who is interested in volunteering with Mennonite Voluntary Service? We have four great [placement options in Kansas City](#), including a [new placement at Rainbow Mennonite Church!](#) Please spread the word and encourage people you know to look into it!

Camp Mennoscah is looking for those amazing people who can peel potatoes without losing a finger and who love being around youth and other fun people for our summer youth camps. No culinary certificate needed, just the ability to follow directions, a smile, and mental flexibility. Kitchen helpers can receive a camper discount up to full camp fees. It's a new kitchen! Give us a holler at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290)!

Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children, training will be held at the MCC Center on March 22 from 6:30 – 8:30. Bill Reynolds from CASA: A Voice for Children, is the presenter. Survivor stories and expert insight in child protection will be presented. This training may be of particular interest to youth organizations, parents, educators, childcare providers and those working with children in faith communities. The cost is \$20.00. To register email kathywiens59@gmail.com or call [316-587-7244](tel:316-587-7244).

West Zion Mennonite Church (101 S. Washington, Moundridge, KS) **is hosting a bicycle drive, March 10, 8:00-10:00 AM in support of refugees who have settled in Wichita.** Many newcomers to our country use bicycles to get to work and school, especially while they're still getting established and don't yet have a driver's license. We're accepting new or used bicycles for all ages. Bicycles needing light repairs are also okay. You can also make a monetary donation which will go toward the purchase of helmets. Questions? Contact the West Zion church office: [620-345-8143](tel:620-345-8143) or bradroth@westzionmc.org.

All are invited to the Hesston Mennonite Church for their Andover Organ Series on Tuesday, Mar 13, at 7:00 p.m. Playing the organ will be Ryan Herbert. It is free and open to the public.

Mon., March 12 – Bethel College Jazz Ensemble II, Jazz Combos I and 2, 7 p.m., *Mojo's Coffee Bar in Schultz Student Center*

Fri., March 16 – Doris Bergen, University of Toronto, “Neighbors, Killers, Enablers, Witnesses: The Many Roles of Mennonites in the Holocaust,” 11 a.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College (public presentation from the Mennonites and the Holocaust conference).

Fri., March 16 – The Mennonites and the Holocaust conference presents a **public screening of *Friesennot***, a 1935 Nazi propaganda film about a Mennonite village in Russia, **7:30 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College**

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Invitation to sponsor Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale 5K Run and Walk

Saturday, April 14 at Rice Park in Hutchinson: Gregory and Elaine Krehbiel plan to participate. Checks should be made to KMRS and labeled Run for Relief on the memo. Thank you for your support.

Calling all volunteers to make the ethnic delicacy of bohne berrogie for the MCC sale. Bake day will be April 7 at Moundridge High School. There are a variety of jobs for different skill sets. A signup sheet is on the table in the fellowship hall. Help is also needed on April 6 in the afternoon to prepare the beans and set-up. If you have questions, can help on the 6th, or help provide snacks for bake day, contact Bret or Marla Gillmore [620-921-0428](tel:620-921-0428). It's a fun day of helping and fellowship. Please wear a head covering.

Remembering 50 years of the Relief Sale in Kansas: The 16th Annual Mid-Kansas MCC Relief Sale (1984) was blessed with a bright sun and a cool day that caused appetites to be good. A large crowd was present and they responded to the opportunity to bid and buy in unprecedented fashion. The Beef Auction sold 45 animals and the 3rd Dairy Auction sold 13 high quality animals. Dr. Roland Krause and helpers manned the information booth housed in the MDS Service Bus. In 1984, the New Year's Cookie booth made 17,500 cookies; 1,100 people participated in the Fellowship Meals program. There were 22 quilts that brought more than \$1,000 each with the top price being \$2,400. \$345,000 was sent to MCC to contribute to God's work around the world. Chair Galle in his annual report reminded us that we are stewards of what God has entrusted to us. He reminded us that we should "Give until it feels good."

New for the 50th Annual Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. As we meet for our 50th anniversary Sale to raise money for the Mennonite Central Committee, the Sale Board is providing a few new events. One of those events is a program with Mini Auction on Friday night, April 13, and featuring the vocals of the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus. A scavenger hunt for all ages is being organized to help you find things and learn about the workings of the sale. We are providing a time capsule for each church and sale committee to have the opportunity to put a memory into the capsule. The capsule will be opened at the Sale in 25 years. It is suggested that items for the time capsule be smaller than the area of a shoe box. Church liaisons should bring item to the March monthly meeting. Our brothers and sisters with MDS will be putting on their MCC hats and building a tool shed on the Fairgrounds during the Sale weekend. Construction will start on Friday at noon and the blitz build will be completed by Saturday noon. Sale attendees of all ages will be encouraged to pick up a hammer or a paint brush to help with the construction. The tool shed will be auctioned as part of the General Auction. Please mark your calendars for April 13 and 14 for the 50th Annual MCC Sale!