

Eden Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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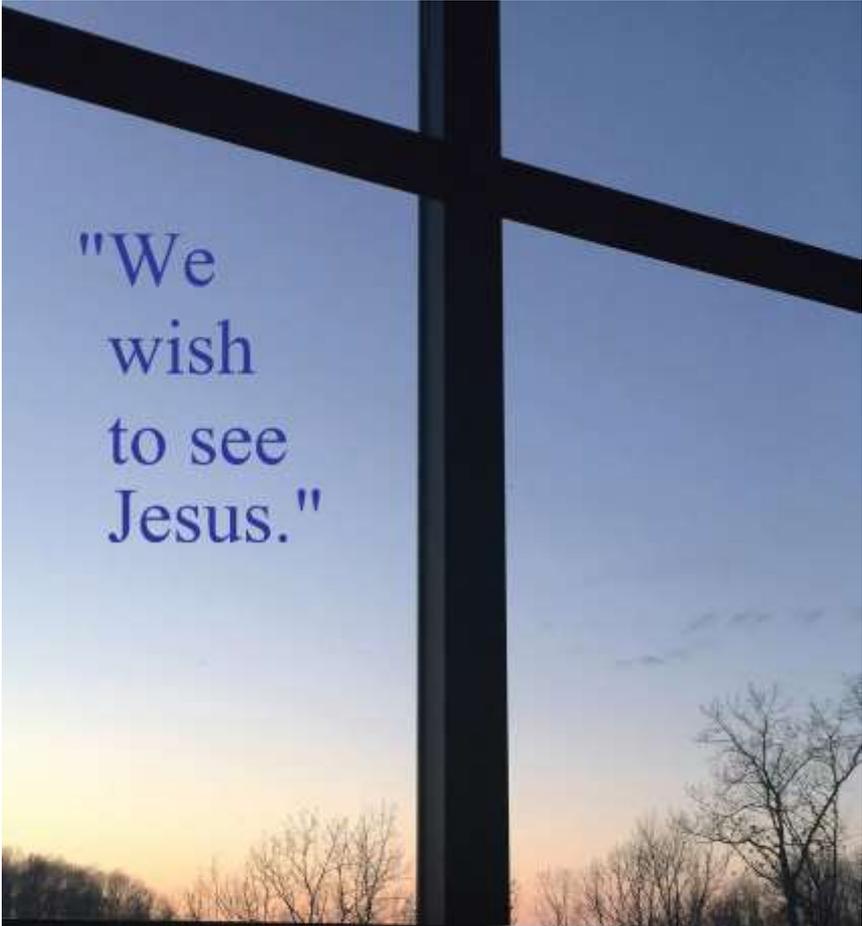
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"Hope and Mission in God's Country" For many people, "rural" conjures visions of amber waves of grain and picturesque back roads where everybody waves from their pickup truck. Or maybe "rural" refers to places on the decline, decaying communities where trees punch through the roof of the abandoned school. But rural reality is much more complex.

Join pastor and author Brad Roth as we explore how the rural church can understand its context and live God's kingdom mission with hope and vibrancy, Wednesday nights in April, 6:45 - 7:45 pm @ Buhler Mennonite Church (220 W. Ave. B, Buhler, KS). See bulletin board for weekly topics.

Mennonite Disaster Service needs volunteers in Texas, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, and Florida. If you can serve for a week or longer please help. To see all of the listings go to <https://mds.mennonite.net/volunteer-registration/?valid=2600>



"We
wish
to see
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John 12:21

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.

Lent 5: Me & You & Covenant New

Prelude

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Welcome

Pastor Dianne

***Call to Worship**

Leader: I see you, familiar faces, visitors, and guests. What brings you here?

People: We want to see Jesus.

Leader: I see you, all who are here for the first time, and all who have returned. What brings you here?

People: We want to see Jesus.

Leader: I see you and know that each one of you has been invited by God to this house of worship. Thank you for coming.

People: May our eyes and our hearts be opened as we meet here with Jesus.

***Song STJ 6**

Jesus, we are here

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Berni Kaufman

Time With Children

Galen & Kathy Waltner

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33

Song (bulletin insert)

Between Me & You

Message

"The Birth of the New Covenant"

Pastor Derek

Communion Service

Confession and assurance

Words of institution and prayer

Receive bread & juice

Prayer

***Song of Response HWB 407** (vs. 1-2)

We are people of God's peace

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

Opportunities for Discipleship

Benediction

Postlude

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

Welcome, dear family in Christ, to Christian fellowship, education and worship this day. God bless us, every one.

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 Britney and DaWayne Stos 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>

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion served during the worship service)
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
- Thursday:** Items for *Eden Echoes* due in the church office

Looking Ahead

- 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 27:** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- Mar 29:** 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday supper and service at Eden
- Mar 30:** Good Friday – Eden Church Office closed
6-8:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross – First Mennonite Church of
Christian (Allow 20-30 min. to make your way through the
stations)
- 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
7:00 p.m. Ed./Disc. Commission mtg. at church office
- Apr 4:** 7:00 p.m. Couple Check Up
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- Apr 9:** 7:00 p.m. ELT meets at church office
- Apr 11:** 7:00 p.m. Couple Check Up
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Last Sunday, March 11, 2018

Worship: 190; SS: 157

Offering: \$4,741.08

Next Sunday, Mar 25, 2018, Palm Sunday

Music: Ladies Choir

Nursery: Brenda Dalke & JoLene Kaufman

Remember in Prayer

Lloyd Goering: Mercy Hospital

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

Dellis Dick (sister to Glenna Schrag) at St. Francis hospital

WDC: Pray for WDC youth and their mentors, sponsors, teachers and pastors, as they seek to be disciples of Jesus in a complex and changing world.

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

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).

Lunch & Learn at MCC with Joanna Shenk! Join us on Thursday, April 5 from noon to 1 pm at MCC in North Newton, to hear Joanna share about her new book, "The Movement Makes Us Human an Interview with Dr. Vincent Harding on Mennonites, Vietnam and MLK." Lunch will be provided by Mojo's Coffee Bar. *Please RSVP for lunch by April 3.* For the first time, we're offering an opportunity for you to join this event virtually, on any computer or device. Visit mcc.org/lunch-learn for information about Joanna, the book and about how to join the event from your home or office! Questions or to RSVP: [316.283.2720](tel:316.283.2720) or patsydirksen@mcc.org.

Camp Mennoscah's Retirees Retreat invites retirees and interested persons of all ages to join us April 23-25 for several days of renewal. Speakers will share about Vietnam, teen prison ministry, storm chasing and so much more! Coffee breaks will give you a chance to discuss further and enjoy a good chat. Contact Camp Mennoscah for a brochure or find it online at campmennoscah.org! We'll see you there for an amazingly good time.

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)!

Bring a Friend! All you long-time summer youth campers, grab a friend who hasn't been to camp and that needs to love camp like you do--or even someone who just needs camp. We love having new folks at Camp Mennoscah and sharing all the fun we have. BAFs get a free camp tee shirt! Register online at campmennoscah.org!

Youth of Camp Mennoscah and their friends (grades 7-12) are hereby invited to give complete and total proof that young people are amazing and giving folks. Come to the Youth Volunteer Weekend, March 16-17! Spend the day in worship, song, service, and community. It's a great way to get a "camp fix" before the summer. Rachel Miller and Isaac Entz will lead the retreat. Register online or call us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for more information.

Voluntary Service Opportunity: The practice of hospitality to those who come to us as strangers and leave as friends is at the basis of our faith as Mennonites and Anabaptists. Volunteers at the International Guest House in Washington, DC, live this teaching of Jesus in their daily interactions with guests from all over the world. The work consists of keeping the household running (cleaning, baking, maintenance, and responding to needs of our guests). The breakfast and evening tea are particularly rewarding times for sharing in relaxed and informal ways. We have current need for short term volunteers beginning this summer who might serve at least two months. (Training requires at least two weeks). Free room and board and two days off per week to explore the city or surrounding areas. This 50 year-old ministry is under the auspices of Allegheny Mennonite Conference. For information or an application, contact Sara at volunteer@igh-dc.com

On Tuesday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m. in Hesston, the [Dyck Arboretum of the Plains](#) will complete its 2018 Winter Lecture Series with Curtis Schmidt speaking about "[Bats of Kansas](#)". The lecture will take place in the Prairie Pavilion, with a soup supper preceding it at 6 p.m. in the Visitor's Center. The cost of the lecture is \$5 per person, or supper and the lecture is \$10. Interested persons should call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) by 5 p.m. on Friday before the Tuesday lecture for supper reservations.

Sun., March 25 – Closing reception for “The Chisholm Trail: Driving the American West” at Kauffman Museum, 1:30-5 p.m. (extended museum hours). Admission is free; come before or after the 3 p.m. program in Krehbiel Auditorium to see the exhibit and enjoy a Cowboy Cookie (former First Lady Laura Bush’s recipe!).

Sun., March 25 – “Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum” program with Jim Hoy, professor of English, Emporia State University, 3 p.m., “Kansas Legends and Folktales,” *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College*

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 on the literature table and also at <https://mennonitewomenusa.org/ministries/housewarmer/>.

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: In 1988 a new venture was child care for kids 1-5 years of age. Teenagers and adults interacted with the kids bringing smiles to the faces of both the young and old. The Beef Walk began at Ebenfeld Church after a time of worship and the Dairy Walk began in Kingman after devotions. The walks raised \$60,000. Rain was present on Sale day, the number of quilts was down, the number of bidders was down but the result in dollars raised was very close to the previous year with 50 less quilts. Maynard Shelly who chaired the Publicity Committee indicated that the Sale is one of the major inter-Mennonite events. MCC received \$400,000 from the work and contributions of many. Praising God through service.



Special Holy Week Services 2018

Community Worship at United Methodist Church

Join us for these worship services, planned by the Associated Ministries of Moundridge pastors. Pastor Derek King of Eden will be the speaker.

In the midst of all our fears, Jesus is present with us.

He confronts our ultimate fear of death by facing it, showing that abundant and eternal life is made available.

Sunday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m.

Naming Our Fears with Mark 14:3-9 and Psalm 6

Monday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Embracing That Which We Fear

with John 12:1-8 and Matthew 16:24-26

Eden Meal & Communion Service

Maundy Thursday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Come for a soup and bread supper followed by communion around tables in the fellowship hall as we commemorate the Last Supper that Jesus had with his disciples.

There will also be opportunity to participate in footwashing.

Good Friday First Mennonite Church of Christian

Good Friday Prayer Stations, March 30, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Experience a series of interactive prayer stations at First Mennonite Church of Christian. The stations follow Jesus' journey from his arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane to his death on the cross while leading visitors in reflection and prayer that engages all the senses. The event is come-and-go. Allow 20-30 minutes to make your way through the stations.

Community Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 1 at 7:00 a.m.

Gather at Norm & Nadine Wedel's to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus. Bring your lawn chair and if you wish rolls or other finger food to share. (Norm & Nadine Wedel's place 4 miles south, 1½ west of Moundridge)