

Eden Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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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>

“LOOK,
YOUR KING
IS COMING,
SITTING ON A
DONKEY’S COLT!”



JOHN 12:15, NRSV

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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 6: Me & You & an Alternative View

Prelude

Bonita Howard

Welcome

Pastor Derek

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, people of God, this is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day Jesus enters Jerusalem.

People: Open the gates of righteousness so that we can enter and give thanks to the Lord.

Leader: The gates are open, come on in. Give thanks, for God is good!

***Song HWB 238**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Time With Children

Vance and Candy Unrau

Children's Processional STS 73

Jesus is Coming

Worship Music

Ladies' Chorus

Gospel Reading

John 12:12-19

Message

"A Donkey-riding King?"

Pastor Dianne

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Confession and Prayer

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

Worship Music

Ladies Chorus

Opportunities for Discipleship

***Sending Song HWB 238** (vs 1, 4)

Ride on, Ride on

Benediction

Postlude

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

Welcome! “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” (Mark 11:9, ESV). We walk with Jesus along the road to Jerusalem, the road to death but also resurrection, the road of faith and worship.

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 Brenda Dalke and JoLene 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.

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. **The deadline to register is March 28.** To register, follow the link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/FxfT4CEPTs9Mj0aK2s>

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.

Save-the-Date! Moundridge's community VBS (Shipwrecked) will be held July 10-13, in the evenings at West Zion. A community program will take place during the last half of the Friday night time. Kids ages 3 years-entering 6th grade are invited to learn how we are RESCUED BY JESUS! Everyone older than 6th grade are invited to volunteer and have just as much fun as the kids. More information will be available in the coming months.

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Palm Sunday)
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school
- Monday** 7:00 p.m. Holy Week Service at United Methodist/Mdge.
- Wednesday** 7:00 p.m. Holy Week Service at United Methodist/Mdge.
All bulletin items due in church office by noon
7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- Thursday** 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday supper and service at Eden
- Friday** 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)
- Saturday** 8:00 a.m. Church workday

Looking Ahead

- 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
- Apr 13-14:** Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale at state fairgrounds, Hutchinson

Last Sunday, March 18, 2018

Worship: 177; SS: 149

Offering: \$4,475.00

Next Sunday, April 1, 2018, Easter

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service at Norm and Nadine Wedel's pond

Music: Cantata by Choirs

Nursery: Rashelle and Matt Schrag

Time with Children: Kathy Waltner, Jean Regier, Britney Stos

Remember in Prayer

Lloyd Goering: Progressive Recovery Academy at Schowalter in Hesston
Ruth Kaufman dismissed from hospital and returned to her home
WDC: Pray for WDC pastor peer groups that meet regularly to share, pray and support one another in the joys and challenges of ministry.

Mary Martha Circle will meet for an all day meeting on Tuesday, April 3. Covered dish lunch. Project, Cash for Newborn Kits. Any ladies are invited for all or part of the day to work on projects or just visit.

Please bring your nonperishable grocery items and your monetary donations for the Moundridge Food Pantry the first Sunday of the month. There will be containers in the library for you to place your items.

The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association (SMCHA) is offering educational grants to individuals preparing for full-time Christian service, Mennonite ministry, Mennonite voluntary service, or other related careers. Information on bulletin board in fellowship hall. Application deadline is May 30, 2018.

Our Extended Church Family

Pine Village will host the Moundridge Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31. Co-sponsors include Cradle to Crayons and the Moundridge Food Mart. The hunt will kick off at 10:30 a.m. for 0-3 year olds, at 10:40 a.m. for 4-7 year olds and at 10:50 a.m. for 8 years and older. Kids do need to bring their own Easter egg baskets. Donuts, hot cocoa and coffee will be served prior to the hunt, so be sure to arrive early! There will be appearances from the Easter Bunny! Everyone is invited to attend.

Pine Village will host its 14th Annual Anchors Banquet on Saturday, April 7th at 6 p.m. in the Wellness Center. All proceeds go toward growing the Memorial Home Endowment Foundation and the Anchors Banquet is the only fundraising event for the Foundation. Featured entertainment is the Bethel College's Open Road Men's Choir and dinner will be a plated meal catered by Hog Wild BBQ. Tickets for the banquet are \$100 per person. Reservations are required and tickets can be purchased by contacting Pine Village at [620.345.2901](tel:620.345.2901) or dropping by the front office at 86 22nd Avenue.

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!

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!

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.

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

Everence will continue its popular retirement workshop series this spring, starting with *Your Medicare options* on Tuesday, April 3, at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. The workshop will be presented by Everence staff and will be 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:3162833800); [\(877\) 467-7294](tel:8774677294) or michelle.ramer@everence.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:6203278127) by 5 p.m. on Friday before the Tuesday lecture for supper reservations.

TODAY (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!).

TODAY (Sun., March 25) – 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! Mennonite Women USA partners with Mennonite Disaster Service to provide hand-crafted wall-hangings for each rebuilt 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/>.

Mennonite Church of the Servant, Wichita, will have its next Movie Night on immigration topics on Friday, April 6, at 7 pm, featuring the film, "**Hawo's Dinner Party**". The film shows the experiences of several Somali residents in Shelbyville, including, Hawo, who are making this small town their new, permanent home. Discussion and information about refugees in Wichita will follow.

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 and Ronnie Schrag 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: Over \$10,000 was raised for MCC Relief through the collection of pennies and pocket change. The penny project gave people the opportunity to talk with people about the work of MCC. Friday and Saturday, April 10 and 11 of 1992 brought an estimated 31,000 people to Hutchinson to attend the 24th Annual Sale. At the Sale, 43,000 New Year's Cookies were made; 1,280 pies collected; and a "House Against Hunger" was sold at auction. The Children's Program ran from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with stories and skits. The Environmental Concerns Committee was responsible for asking difficult questions about how we handle the waste and trash from the Sale and how we can use the Sale to educate people about the benefits of recycling. The prices for food at the Feeding of the Multitude included verenike for \$1.00, sausage for 75¢ and zwieback for 25¢. April 2 was the verenike making day in Hillsboro with 18,684 being made and frozen to be taken to the Sale. There were many buses that came from Emporia, Burdett, Lincoln, Colby, Concordia, Newton, Goessel, and Moundridge to the Sale. To God be the Glory.

The first concert performance of the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will be 7:00 PM Sunday, April 8 at Central Community Church in Wichita. The second concert will be Sunday, April 15 at Bethel College Memorial Hall at 7:00 PM. The Men's Chorus will also perform at the MCC Sale at Bretz Law Arena on the Fairgrounds on Friday, April 13 at 7:00 PM. All are invited.



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)