

### **Eden Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

**Phone:** 620-345-8320; **Email:** [edenoffice@edenmennonite.org](mailto:edenoffice@edenmennonite.org)

Check out our website at [www.edenmennonite.org](http://www.edenmennonite.org)

Friend us on Facebook

**Lead Pastor, Derek King**

Cell Phone: 717-201-1147

[dking@edenmennonite.org](mailto:dking@edenmennonite.org); Day off: Friday

**Associate Pastor, Dianne Schmidt**

Cell phone: 419-890-8327

[dschmidt@edenmennonite.org](mailto:dschmidt@edenmennonite.org); Day off: Thursday

**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.*

**Please join one of our Sunday school classes today.**

#### **Adult Sunday School**

College Age: Rm 102

SEEDS: Rm 127 (age 20s—30s)

Cornerstone: Rm 130 (age 40+)

Christian Homebuilders: Rm 147 (age 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 – 3rd: Rm 104

4th - 6th: Rm 152

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

**Nursery provided for those under 2**



**Where you go I will go  
and where you stay I will stay.  
Your people will be my people  
and your God my God.**

Ruth 1: 16b

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

Derek King, Lead Pastor

Dianne Schmidt, Associate Pastor

**Vol. 64**

**September 23, 2018**

**No. 38**

**The Bible and our Bodies Week 2**  
**Created for Meaningful Relationships**

*We were all created to be in intimate relationships with other people. This is God's good intention for all people, regardless of whether one is single or married, old or young, female or male.*

**Prelude**

Bonita Howard

**Welcome**

Wanda Knight

**\*Call to Worship**

L: Come, worship the One who created us in our mothers' wombs -

**P: who created us for one another.**

L: Who reached into our fleshy bodies, removed a hard bone covering our heart, and made it into a neighbor, sibling, a life partner.

**P: Who exposed our hearts to longing, to needing, to desiring re-union.**

L: Come, worship the One who covenants to stay by our side, to go with us wherever we will go.

**P: Who will not forsake us, who is closer than a lover.**

L: Let us worship together as friends who need one another, as brothers and sisters of one family.

**P: Let us share in one another's joys and sorrows.**

**ALL: Let us give thanks for God's steadfast, abiding love.**

**\*Opening Hymn STJ 16**

*Praise with joy the world's Creator*

**Worship Music**

*I Love To Tell the Story* arr. John Leavitt  
(directed by Becky Setser, accompanied by Judy Goering)

Chancel Choir

**Scripture Reading**

Genesis 2:18-25

Wanda Knight

**Time with Children**

Kristen Stucky

**Worship Music**

*A Heart Like Jesus* by Ray D Hattan

Chancel Choir

**Scripture Reading**

Ruth 1:7-18

Carina Knight

**Message**

“ BFF's “

Pastor Derek

**Song of Response HWB 362**

*Help us to help each other*

## Sharing our Joys and Concerns

### Prayers of the People

### Offering/Offertory

### Opportunities for Discipleship

\*Sending Song HWB 421

*Bless'd be the tie that binds (vs. 1 - 3)*

### Benediction

### Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able

All sermons and Scripture can be viewed at [www.edenmennonite.org](http://www.edenmennonite.org) and our Facebook page, or YouTube channel.

**God has showered us with love, and we respond by uniting in worship.  
Welcome, one and all!**

**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 Samantha and Heath Doane 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.



**Eden's six-week Worship Series, "The Bible and Our Bodies"**, began September 16 and will continue through October 21. Thank you to Jean Regier, Britney Stos, and Kathy Waltner for creating the worship visuals at the front of the sanctuary to represent a variety of relationships. We aim to reflect the divine image of our Creator God both individually and in our relationships. The reality is that sometimes we fail to see the image of God within ourselves and within others. Throughout our lives may we continue to keep the very good image of our Creator God as the center.

**Pastor Dianne** will be out of the office through Sept. 25 for her daughter's wedding.

**Last year, several people began meeting in small groups** of three or four called "**Discipleship Group.**" The purpose was to grow in relationship to God and each other. The formula was to meet regularly, listen to the Spirit through scripture, and pray with and for each other. We would love for more to join this movement of deepening our faith alongside others. So, if you are interested in being a part of a **Discipleship Group**, please contact a pastor.

## **Eden This Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship 10:40 a.m. SS for all ages
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 p.m. Potluck Supper 6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

## **Looking Ahead**

<b>October 2:</b>	9:00 a.m. Mary-Martha workday at Angels Attic 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg
<b>October 3:</b>	6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
<b>October 9:</b>	6:30 p.m. Education/Discipleship mtg
<b>October 10, 17:</b>	6:00 p.m. Supper 6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
<b>October 22:</b>	7:00 p.m. Deacons mtg

### **Last Sunday, September 16, 2018**

Worship:186; SS:156

Offering: \$4,483.00

### **Next Sunday, September 30, 2018**

Gift of Singleness

Music: Ladies Chorus

Children's time: Kathy Neufeld

Nursery: Teresa & Dennis Graber

### Remember in Prayer

**WDC:** Pray for WDC's Immigration Task Force, as they network congregations and provide resources for faithful responses to immigration concerns.

**Wednesday Night Meals:** Any group or Sunday school class that would like to volunteer for a Wednesday night meal, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall. If you have questions, contact Marcia Goering.

**The Wednesday night meal on September 26 will be a potluck.** Please bring a dish to share with everyone.

**Bible Studies began on September 19** – Men and women are meeting separately this session. Women, led by Pastor Dianne, are looking at stories of Biblical women as an integral part of God's vision in the world. The men, led by Al Neufeld, are asking the question, "What does it mean to be a man?" Bible Study for age 4-3<sup>rd</sup> grade is led by Becky King; 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade led by Emily Regier and Rashelle Schrag. Sessions will go through October 24. Something special is planned for October 31.

**Mary Martha invites you to take part in collecting full bags of MCC School Kits through the month of September.** See the display in the fellowship hall. Mary Martha will add a small metal pencil sharpener to each kit as they are hard to find.

**The Deacons and Pastors invite all adults to a second "Faith Forum"** on September 30<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday school hour. The topic will be how our Advent/Christmas traditions and symbols (decorations) can reflect the biblical message. In view of all the consumerism and a vast array of symbols for the Christmas season in the culture around us, how might we be clear in our practices and decorations to reflect the message of the birth of Christ. There is an article, *Don't deck the halls*, available on the literature table in the fellowship hall for those who want to do some reflection before meeting together or you can find it on the following link <https://www.christiancentury.org/article/first-person/why-my-church-stopped-decking-halls>.

**Mary-Martha will meet Tuesday, October 2** for a workday at Angels Attic at 9-11:30 a.m. Lunch and business meeting will be at Quincy's at noon.

### Extended Church Family

**MC USA encourages you to "Learn, Pray, Join" for immigration justice now.**

Watch a recording of our recent immigration justice webinar at [mennoniteusa.org/ijwebinarfull](http://mennoniteusa.org/ijwebinarfull) and find ways to support immigration justice at <http://mennoniteusa.org/ij>. **Join MC USA in global prayer for immigration justice on Peace Sunday**, which takes place today, September 23, 2018.

**Everence, alongside 14 sponsoring agencies, will host a workshop**

on Tuesday, Sept. 25, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Topics will include the spiritual call to generosity and intentional planning, tax and estate planning tools, and insights into planning a move to a life plan community. Speakers will include Michele Hershberger, attorney Cynthia Wiens, Arlan Yoder CPA, and representatives from Bluestem communities. This workshop will take place at The Meridian Center, 1420 E. Broadway Ct, Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Sandy Popp at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or [sandy.popp@everence.com](mailto:sandy.popp@everence.com)

**Attention Young Adults!** There will be an Area Wide PC-PF (Post College- Pre Family) Fall Get Together on Sunday, September 30. We will meet at 5:30 PM at Rene and Kristin Kaufman's home, near Moundridge. Please bring a side dish to share and a lawn chair. This group is designed for young adults in similar life stages to socialize together. If you would like to attend or have questions, please contact Kristin Kaufman- [kristin.unruh@gmail.com](mailto:kristin.unruh@gmail.com). Hope to see you there!

**Everence® will offer its popular retirement workshop, *Your Medicare options***, on Tuesday, Oct. 2, 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 MCC Central States Office, 121 E. 30th, North Newton, KS. Refreshments will be served. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com). For more information, check out the poster on the bulletin board.

**Become a Doctrine of Discovery trainer!** Register now for the October 8-10 training taking place at MCC in North Newton. Using the framework of the Doctrine of Discovery we will explore taking of land from Indigenous people which led to the justification of the global slave-trade of the 15th and 16th centuries, and the Age of Imperialism. Participants will be equipped with the following educational tools which they can utilize to further educate others on the Doctrine of Discovery.

Registration: [https://mcc.us.formstack.com/forms/dod\\_train\\_the\\_trainers](https://mcc.us.formstack.com/forms/dod_train_the_trainers).

Questions? Please contact [ericlittlewolf@mcc.org](mailto:ericlittlewolf@mcc.org) for more information.

**The worst monsoon flooding in a century** has damaged roads, homes and sources of income for hundreds of thousands of people in the Kerala state of India. As displaced people are returning to their homes, Mennonite Central Committee is working with Gilgal Mission Trust in India to provide tarps, food baskets, cooking utensils, and cleaning and hygiene items. Donations to support the response can be given online at [mcc.org/india-flooding](http://mcc.org/india-flooding); by phone at 888-563-4676; or by mail to MCC U.S., 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.

**The annual MDS Region 3 2018 Annual Meeting** will be held on October 26 & 27, 2018 at Swan Lake Christian Camp and Retreat Center [45474-288th St., Viborg, SD.](#) Information and registration forms can be found on the bulletin board and literature table in the fellowship hall.

**Mennonite Disaster Service is seeking weekly volunteers for October, November and December 2018!** Join us as individuals or groups to help those affected by disasters. We are working in the following locations: Lake County, CA; Pine Ridge, SD; Victoria County, TX; La Grange, TX; Fort Myers, FL; West Virginia; Williams Lake, BC; and Puerto Rico. Serve with a positive and Christ-like heart using your trade skills or learning new skills on the job. To serve with us, contact Deanna Frey by emailing [dfrey@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:dfrey@mds.mennonite.net) or calling 1-800-241-8111 For more information about our current projects, visit [mds.mennonite.net](http://mds.mennonite.net).

**Mennonite Mission Network is seeking a director to provide leadership and oversight to the Donor Relations department.** This collaborative leader will participate in Mennonite Mission Network organizational leadership by guiding fundraising efforts through cultivating healthy relationships with constituents, alumni and expanding our network of partners. Previous supervisory experience as well as experience with 501(c)(3) agencies is needed. The ideal candidate will be passionate about God's reconciling mission to the world and committed to Jesus Christ. Embracing cultural diversity and anti-racism is essential. Must be prepared for public speaking and travel 45-60 days per year. Anticipated start date is late October 2018. View the complete position description at [www.MennoniteMission.net](http://www.MennoniteMission.net). or email [StaffRecruitment@MennoniteMission.net](mailto:StaffRecruitment@MennoniteMission.net) .

The Kansas Poor People's Campaign will host a **Kansas People's Hearing** on Monday, October 8, 6:30 pm at the WSU Metroplex (5015 E 29th St N., Wichita). This event will be another opportunity to further lift up voices in our State that typically do not get heard. National Co-Chairs Revs. William Barber & Liz Theoharis will be present and supporting the continued work of combating Poverty, Racism, War Spending, & Destruction of Mother Earth! For more information, visit the Kansas People's Hearing Facebook Event: [www.facebook.com/events/2105106039706562](https://www.facebook.com/events/2105106039706562).

### **Camp Mennoscah**

Contact camp at 620-297-3290 or [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org).

**Come out to camp on Sunday, September 23, as we dedicate The Whale playground and celebrate Camp Mennoscah's 70th Anniversary at the Annual Meeting!** All are welcome to attend. Annual Meeting events begin with worship at 10a.m. on Sunday with **the Whale playground dedication at 5 p.m.** and annual meeting following.