

### **Eden Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – noon

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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.*

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

### **Adult Sunday School**

All adults are invited to hear more from Byron and news of WDC churches in Texas in the sanctuary.

### **Junior Department Sunday School**

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

After Kids Choir, 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**

The harvest truly is great,  
but the laborers are few.



Luke 10:2 (KJV)

**First Mennonite Church of Christian, Eden, West Zion**  
**Joint Mission Sunday**  
**Moundridge, Kansas**

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**Prelude** Karen Kaufman

**Welcome** Pastor Derek King

**\*Call to Worship -**

L: Wake up, O First, West Zion, and Eden Mennonite people!

**P: True evangelical faith cannot lie sleeping.**

**It clothes the naked, it comforts the sorrowful,**

**It shelters the destitute, it serves those who harm it,**

**It binds up that which is wounded.**

**It has become all things to all people.**

L: Let us rise up in true faith,

***All: and shine the light of Jesus to the world this day!***

**\*Hymn HWB 1** *What is this place*

**Time with Children** Pastor Laura Goerzen

**\*Hymn HWB 96** *We plow the fields and scatter*

**Scripture Reading** Luke 10:1-12 Pastor Brad Roth

**Message** "Hanging Out with Jesus" Pastor Byron Pellecer

**Song of Response STJ 63** (vs. 1, 2, 5) *Lord, You give the great commission*

**Prayers of the People** Pastor Dianne Schmidt

**Offering/ Offertory** Karen Kaufman, organ; Kristen Kaufman, flute

*A Thanksgiving Voluntary for Flute and Organ by Charles Callahan*

*(The offering will go to the Church Planting Commission of Western District Conference)*

**Opportunities for Discipleship**

**\*Sending Song HWB 420** *Heart with loving heart united*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

\*Please stand if you are able

**HWB:** Blue Hymnal A Worship Book;

**STJ:** Sing the Journey (green); **STS:** Sing the Story (purple)

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

**Welcome everyone!** The psalmist urges us: "Make a joyful noise to the LORD! ... Come into his presence with singing!" (Psalm 100:1-2, ESV). Let us do so! We extend a special welcome to Byron Pellecer, associate conference minister for Western District Conference who will bring the message this morning and also share during a more informal time during the Sunday school hour.



**A nursery is available for small children.** Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Rashelle and Matt Schrag 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.

**An attendant is at the west church doors every Sunday before church to help individuals transition from their vehicles into the church building.**

**It is time to renew the group subscription to *The Mennonite*.** If you are currently receiving *The Mennonite* and would like to continue your subscription, please let the church office know. If you are not part of the group subscription plan, but would like to be added, please let us know at [edenoffice@edenmennonite.org](mailto:edenoffice@edenmennonite.org) or call us at 345-8320 **by December 12.**

**Don't forget to bring your non-perishable grocery items and your monetary gifts** for the Moundridge Food Pantry the first Sunday of the month. Look for the containers in the library and near the east entrance. Make your checks to Eden with Moundridge Food Pantry in the memo line.

**MCC Infant Care Kits:** Check your mailbox and the December Eden Echoes for a description of the MCC Infant Care Kits we will be collecting through the month of December for MCC to distribute to families displaced by war or disaster. This is an opportunity this Christmas season for individuals and families at Eden to share baby supplies that will help mothers and fathers give their infants a good start.

### **Eden This Week**

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Mission Sunday)  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship  
10:40 a.m. SS for all ages
- Wednesday** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus  
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir  
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

### **Looking Ahead**

- December 2:** 2019 Budget Presented
- December 3:** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.
- December 5:** 6:30 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg.  
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus  
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- December 9:** Vote on 2019 Budget
- December 10:** 7:00 p.m. ELT
- December 12:** 6:30 Christmas Eve Service practice  
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus  
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- December 19:** 6:30 Christmas Eve Service practice  
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus  
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- December 23:** Christmas Eve Service practice during Sunday school
- December 24:** 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service
- December 25:** Christmas Day (church office closed)

### **Last Sunday, Nov 18, 2018**

Worship: 173; SS: 145

### **Next Sunday, Dec 2, 2018**

2019 Budget presented

Music: Men's Chorus

Children's Story: Mark and Gail Stucky

Nursery: Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas

### **Remember in Prayer**

**Valeda Krehbiel:** St. Francis Medical Center

**Frieda Neufeld** on Hospice care.

**WDC:** Pray for WDC congregations in pastoral transition, as they seek God's direction for the future.

**All are invited to the Spaghetti Dinner following Sunday school today.** The FEWZ Youth Group is offering this meal as a fundraiser for our yearly activities, including the national Mennonite convention in Kansas City this summer. Thank you for your continued support of our youth.

### **Extended Church Family**

**First Mennonite Church of McPherson, 1161 E. Ave. A invites you to German Dinner and Bake Sale** Saturday, December 1 from 5-7:00 p.m. Menu includes verenika with ham gravy, bohne berrogi with cream sauce, sausage, green beans, homemade sauerkraut, zwieback and cherry moos. Free will donation for dinner, baked goods priced.

**Ten Thousand Village Fair Trade Gift Festival will be held** Saturday, December 1 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Kidron Bethel Marketplace, 3001 Ivy Drive, North Newton where Fair Trade coffee, tea, chocolate along with Christmas Ornaments and small nativities will be available.

**Everence® will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 9 to 11:30 a.m.** Topics will include Medicare, Social Security and retirement income planning. The workshop will be presented by Everence staff and will take place at the MCC Central States Office, 121 E. 30<sup>th</sup>, North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

**What should we do about the asylum-seekers and their caravan?** Join the community in a prayer vigil and informational meeting about the Central American Caravan Sunday evening, December 2, 8-9:00 p.m. at Hesston College, Bontrager Worship Center in the basement of Keim Center. Join Hesston College students as they...

- tell real stories from Mennonites working with asylum seekers
- explain the "why" of the caravan and
- outline ways to help our sisters and brothers.

In the middle of our time together, we will pray in a variety of ways....with song, movement, drawing, writing and lighting candles.

**Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) needs 55,000 Comforters.** See bulletin board and watch for December *Eden Echoes* for more information.

**Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) is now scheduling volunteers for the winter months** of January, February and March. If you can serve please call Deanna Frey at 800-241-8111 or email [dfrey@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:dfrey@mds.mennonite.net)

**Hospice of Reno County invites K-12 students who have experienced the death of a loved one to attend *Tinsel and Tears* on Sunday, Dec 2 from 3-5 p.m.** at 2020 N. Waldron, STE 100, Hutch Community Room. They will spend time with peers who have also experienced a loss. The parents will go to a separate area where there will be conversation about navigating the holidays without their loved one and supporting their children as they grieve through this time of year. **RSVP by Nov 30** by calling 620-665-2473

**This holiday season the Associated Ministries of Moundridge will be selling coffee grown in Honduras** by the family of Moundridge native Julia Niehage Williams. This specialty coffee is available in 1 lb. bags of either whole **bean or ground and would make great Christmas gifts or would be perfect to** serve at holiday dinners or parties. The coffee sales will support the work of the Associated Ministries of Moundridge and the ministries they serve and will continue through the month of December. Please contact Rick Krehbiel at 620-386-4147 if you have any questions.

**Fri., Nov. 30 – Bethel College Wind Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m.,** with music celebrating the 100th birthday of Leonard Bernstein, *Memorial Hall*

**Sat., Dec. 1 – Five Places of Christmas, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Kauffman Museum** offers free admission (including the special exhibit “Better Choose Me: Collecting and Creating with Tobacco Fabric Novelties, 1880-1920”), refreshments, sale items in the museum store, and a “sneak-preview mini-exhibit” from a collection recently donated by artist Mary Lou Goertzen. **Bethel College Women’s Association** will have “Star of Bethlehem” themed activities as well as holiday food and gift items for sale in **Luyken Fine Arts Center**.

**Now in the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College: “Terms” by Stephanie Lanter, through Dec. 6.** Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri., 2-4 p.m. Sunday (closed Nov. 22-25 for Thanksgiving break).

**All are invited** to Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church, Goessel, **to hear Brass Christmas with the McPherson Community Brass Choir** under the direction of Jerry Toews and the Goessel High School Elbiata Singers under the direction of Braden Unruh on December 9 at 7 pm.

**Christmas Gathering for camp Volunteers of All Years!** Volunteers of all sorts from all years are invited to come to Camp Mennoscah on December 15 at 2:30pm-ish for a time to have conversation and cookies! Add this time of relaxation to your holidays!

**Online summer staff applications now open!** Interested in being a full-summer staffer at Camp Mennoscah? The time to apply is NOW! Fill out an application at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) under Summer Youth Camps. This is for the positions of music, nature, office, crafts, lifeguard, and grounds. (Counselors and cooks, we'll be in touch later.)

**MC USA Executive Board has decided to retain both the corporate shell and mission of The Mennonite, Inc.** – and will not be “terminating an entity.”

Because there is no longer need for an immediate change to the MC USA bylaws, and there is no formal agreement of merger to discuss at this time, we are canceling the special Delegate Assembly meeting scheduled for November 26. Please contact Shelley Buller at [ShelleyB@MennoniteUSA.org](mailto:ShelleyB@MennoniteUSA.org), 316-281-4257, if you have any questions. --David Boshart, Moderator - Mennonite Church USA

**CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) is doing a StepUp fundraiser.** On Nov 27 individuals will come together to take 1,000,000 steps to help create awareness about CASA and the need to be a voice for children in the foster care system. To be a part of this important mission and learn more about StepUp visit: <https://www.mightycause.com/team/Stepupforcasa> or call CASA board member Kathy Wiens at 316-587-7244.

**All are invited to attend this year's Winter Luminary Walk,** “The Prairie Sleeps” at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. The Luminary Walk will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Dec 1. Admission to the event is \$6 for Adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 15, or [advanced tickets](#) can be purchased at [dyckarboretum.org](http://dyckarboretum.org) or at the Arboretum office for \$5 for adults and \$2 for children ages 3 to 12.

**The third concert of the 2018-19 Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring Lindsay Lou, will be on Sunday, December 2nd 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: \$25 adults/\$15 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.