

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.*

The SS offering for the fall quarter is for MCC Immigration Detainee Care Kits.

Please join one of our Sunday school classes today.

Adult Sunday School

SEEDS: Rm 127 (college+)

Cornerstone: Rm 130 (age 40+)

Christian Homebuilders: Rm 147 (age 50+)

Ladies' Class: Rm 151

Men's Class: Rm 129

All classes welcome guests, regardless of age

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

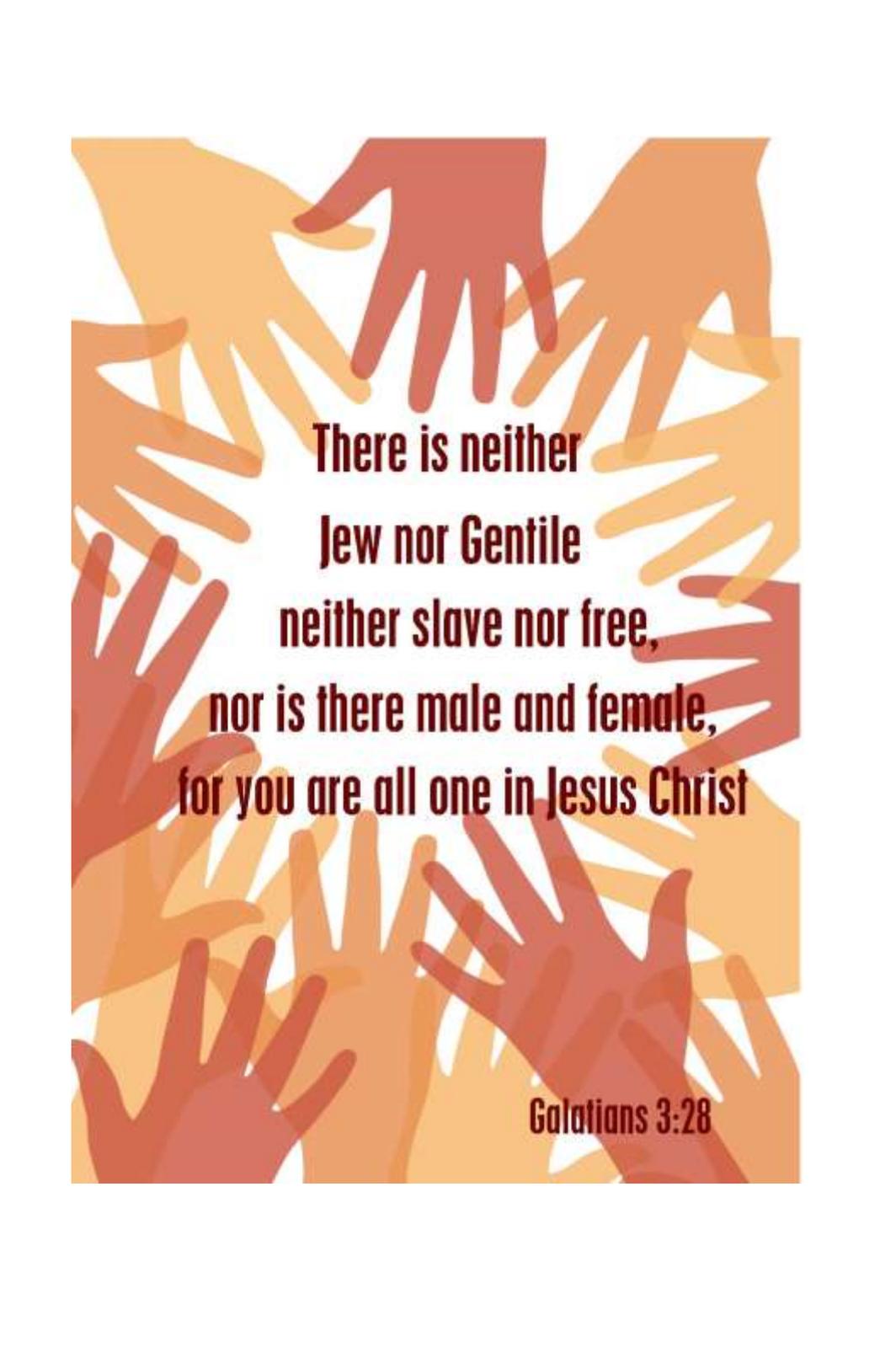
1st: Rm 104

2nd - 4th: Rm 102

5th - 6th: Rm 152

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

Nursery provided for those under 2



**There is neither
Jew nor Gentile
neither slave nor free,
nor is there male and female,
for you are all one in Jesus Christ**

Galatians 3:28

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Welcome Pastor Derek

***Call to Worship**

L: People of God, look around and see the faces of those we know and love,
and those who are new to us.

P: Neighbors and friends, visitors and guests, all sisters and brothers in Christ.

L: People of God, look around you and see all the images of God gathered here.

P: In me, in you, in each of us, God's Spirit shines for all to see.

L: People of God, come.

All: Let us worship God together.

***Opening Song HWB 6** *Here in This Place*

Worship Music *Lord, In the Morning*, by R Paul Drummond Men's Chorus
Becky Setser, director; Bonita Howard, accompanist

Children's Story Morgan Kaufman

Scripture Reading Acts 18: 1-4, 18-28

Worship Music *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*, arr by Roy Ringwald Men's Chorus

Message "Living as Equals in Christ" Pastor Dianne

***Song of Response HWB 306** *In Christ There is no East or West*

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Offering/ Offertory

Opportunities for Discipleship

***Sending Song HWB 226** *You are Salt for the Earth*

***Benediction**

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

HWB: *Hymnal A Worship Book* (blue);
STJ: *Sing the Journey* (green); **STS:** *Sing the Story* (purple)
All sermons and Scripture can be viewed
at www.edenmennonite.org and our Facebook page, or YouTube channel.

Welcome! "To all God's beloved ... called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 1:7, NRSV).



A nursery is available for small children. Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Rashelle and Matt Schrag for caring for the children in the nursery this a.m.

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.



Next Sunday, **November 10**, during our final worship service focused on the early church in the book of Acts, we will be offering **anointing** for healing. This will be an opportunity for anyone to come to a pastor for **a touch of oil and prayer**. We believe a core part of the Good News of Jesus is the possibility of healing for our bodies, minds, and relationships. These are a foretaste of God's plan of "universal restoration", Acts 3:21.

The Cornerstone SS class will be serving Huntington chicken, green beans, applesauce and cookies for our last Wednesday night meal for the fall. Come and enjoy!

Local Residents to share stories from trip to Texas Borderlands. Today, Sunday, Nov 3, at 7:00 p.m. at the Pine Village Wellness Center, four local residents will share stories from their experiences visiting with people and organizations who are responding to the immigration crisis on both sides of the U.S./Mexico border in South Texas. In May of 2019, presenters Rick Krehbiel and Gordon Goering of Moundridge, Kathy Neufeld Dunn of McPherson, and Marla Schmidt traveled to South Texas with a team of 17 individuals on a tour of the U.S./Mexico Borderlands sponsored by Mennonite Central Committee. They visited with the director of an immigrant youth shelter, observed immigration judges in session, spoke with Brownsville city officials and non-profits seeking to respond to the large waves of asylum seekers released into their community, shared a meal with pastors of churches in Mexico, traveled to the border wall, and more. All are invited to come hear these personal stories and reflections on the challenges and complexities of the immigration crisis occurring along our southern border.

Eden This Week

Sunday	9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:40 a.m. Sunday school for all ages after worship
Monday	6:00 p.m. Deacons/Pastors meeting
Tuesday	7:00 p.m. Worship Commission meeting
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. Supper served 6:45 p.m. Game Night 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Looking Ahead

November 11:	7:00 p.m. ELT meets at Eden Church Office
November 13:	7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
November 17:	Mission Sunday at Eden
November 20:	7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
November 28:	Thanksgiving – Eden Church Office Closed
November 29:	Eden Church Office closed for Thanksgiving holiday

Last Sunday, October 27, 2019

Worship attendance: 194
Sunday school: 150
Offering: \$15,349.50

Next Sunday, November 10, 2019

Theme: Acts: Unity In Mission
Scripture: Acts 3:1-25
Music: Ladies Chorus
Children's Story: Laurie Schrag
Nursery: Marcia Goering & Dave Stucky

Remember in Prayer

Clarene Stucky: Dismissed from Newton Medical Center

WDC: Pray for Prairie View, a regional mental health center and institutional partner of WDC, as it nurtures healing and hope and offers resources for members of our communities and congregations.

Please bring your non-perishable grocery items and/or your monetary gifts for the Moundridge Food Pantry and place them in the containers provided in the library the first Sunday of the month. Please make checks to Eden with Moundridge Food Pantry in the memo line.

The vote to renew Pastor Derek's and Pastor Dianne's contracts were as follows: Pastor Derek 130 yes, 2 no; (98.7%) and Pastor Dianne 118 yes, 14 no; (89.4).

After the positive vote last Sunday, the **ELT has offered a call to Pastor Derek and Pastor Dianne for another three year term.** Budget details are being worked out with the SCRT, ELT, Stewardship Commission and Pastors and will be presented to the congregation as soon as it has been discerned by this group. The ELT will continue to monitor and discern our needs as a congregation, our desired ministries, our financial generosity, and make adjustments accordingly as we move into the future.

The Mary Martha Circle will meet Tuesday, November 5 for our all day meeting. Covered dish lunch. Project: cash offering. Any ladies of the church are invited to come spend all or part of the day to work on projects or just visit.

Sunday school classes with Mission Partners please take an offering for your Mission Partners on **November 3.** Make checks to Eden with Mission Partners' name(s) in the memo line.

The November *Eden Echoes* is available on the information stand in the fellowship hall.

Christmas Backpack Challenge! A Christmas project this year for the Peace and Witness Commission will be gathering supplies for detainee care kits. When people who have been placed in immigration detention centers are released, they often have nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Kits containing clothing and hygiene products can help to rebuild their dignity as they transition into life outside the detention center. Duffle bags and backpacks will be provided and located under the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall ready for donations. You may assemble a whole kit or single items are welcome as well. **Watch the bulletin next week for a list of items to be included in the care kits. Items will be gathered through November and December.**

Extended Church Family

Hesston College Music presents its annual masterworks concert on **Saturday, Nov. 16 at Hesston Mennonite Church. Featuring Hesston College choirs, community members and orchestra in “Song of Wisdom” from *Old Turtle*.** Narrated by faculty emeritus Jim Yoder. Family program from 4:15 to 5 p.m., and full program at 7 p.m. Admission is free. A free-will offering will be collected to help offset program costs.

The Moundridge Community Foundation will be holding its annual Match Day this Thursday November 7 from 12 PM to 6 PM in the AG360 Conference Room. The Foundation is providing a \$20,000 match for donations made to the endowment funds of the participating organizations. The match will be divided in proportion to the total amount raised on November 7. No organization may receive a match of more than \$4,000. Five ministries of the Associated Ministries of Moundridge are participating in this event. They include Angels' Attic, Cradle to Crayons, Helping Hands, Moundridge Food Pantry and the Sr. Center. This is a great opportunity to help our local ministries build their endowments and receive a match that can be used for immediate needs. **To qualify for the match, contributions must be made on November 7.** Online donations may be made anytime that day at mcpersonfoundation.org/moundridge-community-foundation/ by clicking the Donate tab.

Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group will meet Tuesday, November 5, at 2:00 p.m. in Menno Hall. Constance Gehring's program will focus on acupuncture as a way of helping those with Parkinson's.

Register now for the 5th biennial Worship & the Arts Symposium at Bethel College, Nov 21-23 “Many Cultures, One Worship: A Foretaste of a Reconciled Heaven in a Broken World,” with David M. Bailey and Urban Doxology of Richmond, Va. See www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/worship-arts-symposium for more information and online registration; **fee reduction when 3 or more members of one congregation register as a group.** Registrations requested by Nov. 11. Please talk with Pastor Dianne if you are interested in going.

MDS has an urgent need for volunteers to serve in Coastal Bend, TX in November! Please consider signing up to serve for a week and asking some friends to join you as well! For more information contact Josh Carson at 800-241-8111 or email jcarson@mds.mennonite.net

Sun., Nov. 3 – Bethel Sings, featuring the Women's Chorus, Men's Ensemble, Woven, Open Road, Concert Choir, and soloists, **4 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church**

Tues., Nov. 5 – Organ Recital Series: Michael Bauer, D.M.A., University of Kansas, 7 p.m., *Ad Building chapel at Bethel College*

Thurs., Nov. 7 – Jasmyn Story, KIPCOR Peace Lecture, “From the Deep South to the World: What Social Justice Can Tell Us Today,” 7 p.m., *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College.* Story is deputy director of the Office of Social Justice and Racial Equity for the Birmingham (Ala.) mayor’s office.

You are invited to join MC USA staff in the Newton offices (**718 N Main St. Newton**) to **hear from Mennonite Mission Network International Service Workers, Delicia Bravo and Peter Wigginton, on Friday Nov. 8th at 10 a.m.** They will share about the ministries in which they are involved in Ecuador. Peter and Delicia coordinate Ecuador Partnership roles with intercultural and indigenous churches, and ministries like the Quito’s church refugee program and after-school support for children.

Come out to Hesston College’s Yost Center Friday, Nov. 15 for **an evening of basketball, games, fun, prizes and entertainment at Alumni/Community Basketball Night. Women’s game at 6 p.m., men’s game at 8 p.m. Free admission for all!** High school-age youth are invited to a devotional time led by men’s basketball coach Dustin Galyon in the Yost Center Team Room during halftime of the women’s game.

RSVP now for the next MCC Lunch & Learn! Please join us on Thursday, Nov 14 from noon-1 p.m. at Mennonite Central Committee in North Newton as we enjoy lunch and hear from Rosie Epp about her recent trip to Ukraine. Epp traveled with the boards from MCC U.S. and MCC Canada to see where MCC’s work began nearly 100 years ago and to visit the work currently happening in Ukraine. **Please RSVP by Nov 11** by calling 316.283.2720, patsydirksen@mcc.org, suggested donation for lunch is \$10 and please let us know if you have a food allergy. Find out more at mcc.org/lunchandlearn.

Tabor Church Mennonite Men will host their 50th Anniversary Chicken BBQ on Thursday, Nov 7, 5-7 pm, at Tabor Mennonite Church, 891 Chisholm Trail, rural Newton, (8 miles north of Newton on Hwy 15, 1 mile east). Bring your appetite and a donation! Donations will go to Core Communities Marion County and Mennonite Men Join Hands.

All are invited to the annual Mission Supper at First Mennonite Church in Halstead, on Saturday, Nov 16, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Menu includes Smoked German Sausage, Chicken Borscht, Sauerkraut, Fried Potatoes, Green Beans, Zwieback, homemade Pie or Cake. Cost is by donation. Part of the proceeds will go to **Safehope**. Other proceeds will be used to support Mennonite Mission Network workers **Dan & Kathryn Smith Derksen family and Dave and Rebekka Stutzman Family.**