

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

SEEDS: Rm 127 (college+)

Cornerstone: Rm 130 (age 40+)

Christian Homebuilders: Rm 147 (age 50+)

Mixed Seniors' Class: Rm 151

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

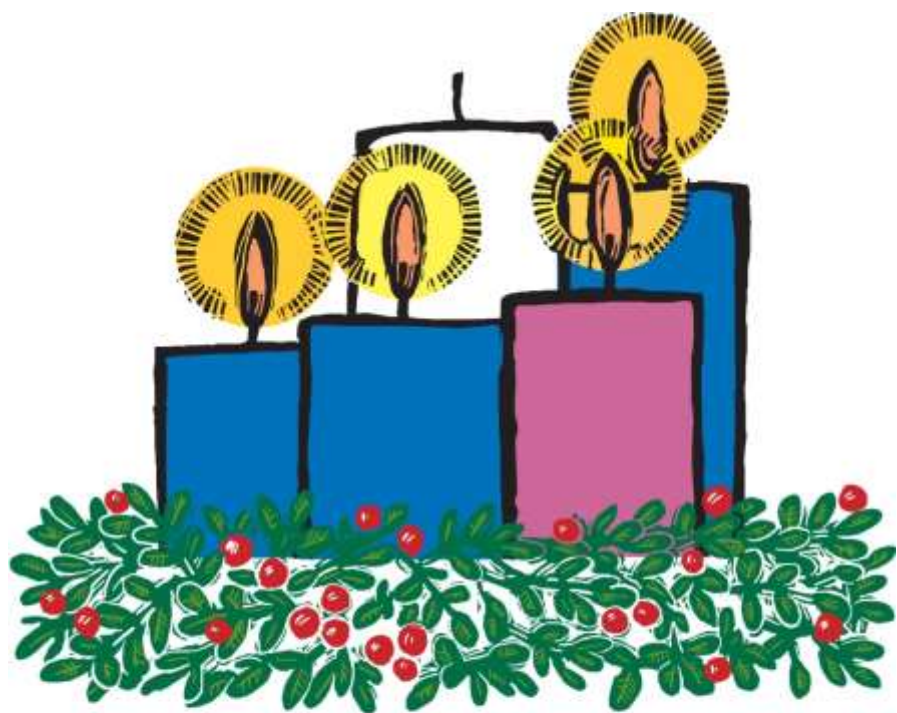
1st: Rm 104

2nd - 4th: Rm 102

5th - 6th: Rm 152

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

Nursery provided for those under 2



— FOURTH SUNDAY OF —
ADVENT

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas
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Derek King, Lead Pastor

Dianne Schmidt, Associate Pastor

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Advent 4: Worth the Wait

Focus statement: *What am I waiting for? When I call out to God, God hears me and restores my soul. I am a child of God, called to belong and to be redeemed by grace.*

Prelude

Brenda Dalke

Call to Worship

Jeri Kaufman and Ian Smith

Advent Theme Song (Insert)

O Long-Awaited

Welcome

Pastor Derek

*** Responsive Reading (from Psalm 80)**

Leader: Stir up your might, and come and save us!

**People: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

Leader: Let your hand be upon us and make us strong.

**People: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

Leader: Give us life, and we will call on your name.

**All: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

*** Lighting the Advent Candles**

Josh Knight

*** Advent Hymn HWB 184**

Hark! The glad sound!

Time with Children

Bobbi Schrag

Worship Music

Behold a Savior!, arr. by Jay Rouse
Becky Setser, director; Robin Schrag, accompanist

Chancel Choir

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Kristeen Thompson

Worship Music

Keep Your Lamps!, arr. by Andre Thomas

Chancel Choir

Message

"God REALLY with us"

Pastor Dianne

Lighting the Christ Candle

*** Response Song HWB 201**

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Offering/Offertory

Opportunities for Discipleship

*Hymn HWB 197

Angels We Have Heard on High

*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! Amid these busy days, we pause for worship and to remember the heart of this season.



A nursery is available for small children. Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Shayna & Ian Smith 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.



A Christmas project this year for the Peace and Witness Commission will be **gathering supplies for detainee care kits**. Duffle bags and backpacks will be provided and located under the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall ready for donations. If you would like to complete a whole kit that is fine—single items are fine too. Items will be gathered through December. Detainee care lists are available on the information stand in the fellowship hall.

Greetings from Puerto Rico! My housemate and I have been invited on a mission trip to the Dominican Republic with our church from January 3-10. I believe we will be traveling to different towns helping out wherever is needed, participating in a medical operation, and spreading God's love. **The cost of this trip that I am supposed to fundraise is \$590** and this includes the cost of the Ferry, food, housing, and transportation. If there is a desire to help contribute to this cost, it would be greatly appreciated, **please give to Mark Stucky in my name** and he will send it over here. I am also coming home for Christmas so if it works to donate to me then that is great and I can't wait to be home! Blessings, Emily Knight

Eden

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school for all ages
(Jr. SS rehearsing for Christmas Eve service)
- Tuesday:** Eden Church Office Closed
7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service
- Wednesday:** Christmas Day
Eden Church Office Closed

Looking Ahead

- December 29:** Lessons & Carols Service
- January 1:** Eden Church Office Closed for New Year's Day
- January 5:** Epiphany – Communion Served
- January 6:** 6:00 p.m. Deacons/Pastors mtg.
- January 7:** All 2019 reports due in the church office
7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.
- January 8:** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
- January 12:** 10:00 a.m. Worship at Pine Village
- January 13:** 7:00 p.m. ELT mtg. at church office
- January 15:** 7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Last Sunday, December 15, 2019

Worship Attendance: 166
Sunday School: 123
Offering: \$10,333.00

Next Sunday, December 29, 2019 Lessons and Carols

Children's Story: Shayna Smith
Nursery: Amanda & Cory Harrison

Thank you to the following people for decorating the sanctuary and fellowship hall for Christmas: Jean Regier, Kathy Waltner, Britney Stos, Jacob & Katie Stucky, Cory and Amanda Harrison, Sam and Ashley Shilts, Carla Shilts, Christine Goering and Jill Zerger.

Remember in Prayer

Val Graber: dismissed from Hutch Hospital to Pine Village, on hospice care

Kathy Ensz: recovering from surgery

WDC: As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, give thanks for the many ways WDC congregations embody the presence of Christ through ministries of hospitality, worship, compassion and justice.

All end of the year giving must be in the office no later than 10 a.m. on December 31. Any donations received after 10:00 will be credited to the 2020 fiscal year. **Thank you for your great donations this year.** We are within \$15,000 of meeting the budget. We are so close to being able to celebrate meeting the budget this year. Let's make it happen!!

Those who purchased angels/bookmarks to honor the memory of loved ones who have passed away may take their angel(s) from the Angel Tree in Fellowship Hall.

Our church family, relatives and friends are invited to stay after the Christmas Eve service for fellowship, popcorn and pop. The snacks will be provided by Jean and Gary Regier, and Galen and Kathy Waltner, wishing you Christmas joy and blessings.

The proposed budget passed by 115 yes and 3 no to approve the budget. The slate of officers was also approved.

The directory pages are on a table in the fellowship hall. **Please update your information and the information of family not in the area or attending. If you are a regular attendee of Eden and would like your contact information to be included in the Eden Directory** please call the church office at 345-8320 or email us at edenoffice@edenmennonite.org or write in on the information sheets in the fellowship hall.

The pastors will be offering a **Membership Inquiry class** for those among us who would consider becoming members of Eden. This will be a **four session class beginning January 19.** If interested, please contact either of the pastors (contact information on the back of the bulletin).

Great Winter Warmup event will be held January 18, 2020 at Pine Village Wellness Center from 9-3. Come and go as you are able. We are planning soup for those that stay for lunch. Come and help us complete comforters for MCC. If you have never tied a comforter, we will be happy to teach you. Contact Sharon Gehring, Lu Goering or Marna Goering if questions.

Extended Church Family

2020 is the 100 year anniversary of the Mennonite Central Committee. The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale would like to celebrate this milestone by gifting MCC ONE MILLION DOLLARS. The Kansas Sale was founded to support the ministry of Relief, Development, and Peace in the name of Christ. This would require 1,000 people to each give \$1,000 to get to one million dollars by April 17, the first day of the 2020 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale.

Night in the Barn: Everyone is invited to come to Night in the Barn at Papa's Pumpkin Patch (372 70th, Newton KS 67114) on **December 22 from 5-7pm** (come/go). Interact with the characters, sounds, lights, and animals of this timeless tale and enjoy this walking tour with family and friends. A suggested donation of \$5 per person includes a hot drink and a snack. Presented by Tabor Mennonite Church Youth, with part of the proceeds going to the Tabor Mennonite Youth Fellowship. Call 620-367-2721 with questions.

Boots, Buckets and Barrows: In partnership with Mennonite Disaster Service, Ted & Co. presents the original play "The Jesus Stories: Faith, Forks & Fettuccine", in conjunction with a unique auction of buckets filled with baked goods and home items, along with 'flash auctions' to fund the tools and volunteers MDS needs to help restore communities and rebuild homes ravaged by natural disaster. All proceeds benefit the continued work of MDS. Admission is free! Please come prepared to bid! Friday, January 31, 7 pm at Hesston (KS) Mennonite Church and Saturday, February 1, 7 pm at Journey Mennonite Church, South Hutchinson, KS. Sponsored by Kansas MDS Unit, Hesston College Disaster Management Program, and Journey Mennonite South Hutchinson.

Western District Women in Mission in cooperation with Everence Financial will host a two-day conference "Let's Talk...Women, Money & Faith" on January 24 and 25 at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, KS. Featured speakers, Teresa Boshart Yoder and Rhoda Blough, from Everence Financial will address money and faith topics for women of all ages and stages of life. More information and registration coming soon on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/WesternDistrictWomen/?modal=admin_todo_tour or at our web page <https://communicationswdwm.wixsite.com/wdwm>.

The family band **Five Times Harder will present a Christmas concert at 4:00 p.m. on December 22 at First Mennonite Church, Hillsboro** (102 S. Ash). Their concerts feature an entertaining blend of voices and instruments, in bluegrass, folk, jazz, and classical styles. There is no admission fee; a free will offering will be collected to benefit the ongoing work of MCC.

O Long-Awaited

Words and music by Phil Campbell-Enns
arr. by Bill Derksen

Capo 2

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F F/A B^b F



1. In the days to come, in sac - red time, Hear our deep - est long - ing,
2. May a shoot ap - pear and branch grow forth, May it bring de - light and
3. Give us cour - age for the days a - head, Meet our weak - ness with be -
4. Though a tin - y babe, we call you Lord, Filled with awe at how you

G A D D/F# G D A7 D
B^b C F F/A B^b F C7 F



hear our cry, As we lift our voice and beg for signs Of Your love re-deem-ing our lives,
seeds of hope, Cal-ling for re - turn to Your good work In this ho - ly sea - son of birth,
ne - vo - lent strength. Wak - en trust that's deep - er than be - lief And re - new our soul with Your peace.
have be - come known: From a hum - ble man - ger so for - lorn To cre - a - tion be - ing re - stored.

G D/F# G A D/F# G Dsus D
B^b F/A B^b C F/A B^b F sus F



G A D D D/F# G D A7 D
B^b C F F F/A B^b F C7 F

