

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 Junior Department Sunday school offering will go to MCC from now through the spring quarter.

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



"The Kingdom
of Heaven may
be compared to
a king who gave
a wedding
banquet for
his son."

Matthew 22:2, NRSV

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Moundridge, Kansas
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Covenant Celebration

Prelude Karen Kaufman

Worship Music *Unclouded Day* by J.K. Alwood Worship Band

Welcome Pastor Dianne

Opportunities for Discipleship

***Call to Worship HWB 821 (Psalm 100)**

***Invocation**

***Opening Hymn HWB 99 (vs. 1, 2, 4)** *We praise thee, O God*
(Children come forward during the last verse)

Worship Music "Arky, Arky" Kids Choir
Becky Setser, director; Candy Unrau, accompanist

Time with Children Morgan Kaufman

Welcoming New Members

Reaffirmation of Faith – Amy Krehbiel and Shari Miller
Congregational Response – HWB 794

Worship Music "A Living Prayer" by Ron Block Worship Band

Prayers of the People

Offering/Offertory

Please give your coins to the children for "My Coins Count" for MCC

Scripture Nehemiah 8:1-12

Message Pastor Derek

***Song of Response** *Hakuna Wakaita* (There's no one like Jesus)

Covenant Celebration Feast

***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! "Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; [for] he is holy" (Psalm 99:5, NIV).



A nursery is available for small children. Please ask an usher to direct you. Thank you to Cindy Bartell & Alan Thomas 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.



The Eden Worship Commission is **looking for instrumentalists to participate in our Easter Sunday worship service.** If you play an instrument and would like to be a part of a small instrumental ensemble for our Easter Celebration, please contact Becky Setser at rsetser89@gmail.com.

On Wednesday, February 26, there will be a short Ash Wednesday service in the sanctuary at 6:45 pm. All ages are invited to this time together as we mark the beginning of the Lenten season. The imposition of ashes will be offered for those who wish to participate.

The Mennonite Mission Network Mission Mosaic books which list all of the missionaries have arrived. If you would like a book so you can pray for the missionaries, pick one up from the information stand in the fellowship hall.

The endowment committee will be accepting grant requests until March 1st. Applications will be out on the information stand this Sunday.

The Trustees would like to schedule April 4 as a work day at the church. We will be working on the following items:

- New window sash installation
- Clean windows
- General cleaning throughout the church and grounds
- Fill in dirt around grave markers where needed
- Inspect & adjust moveable wall system
- Repair and paint Church rural signage

Eden This Week

- Sunday** 9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Fellowship time
10:40 a.m. Sunday school for all ages
- Wednesday:** 6:00 p.m. Fellowship meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service
7:00 p.m. Service Project
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus

Looking Ahead

- March 2:** 6:00 p.m. Deacons/Pastors mtg.
March 10: 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.
March 4 & 11: 6:00 p.m. Fellowship meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- March 12:** 7:00 p.m. Edu./Disc. Commission mtg.
March 18: 6:00 p.m. Fellowship meal served in fellowship hall
6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
7:30 p.m. Ladies Chorus
8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- April 4:** Church Work Day

Last Sunday, February 16, 2020

Worship Attendance: 164

Sunday School: 150

Offering: \$7,950.00

Next Sunday, March 1, 2020

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Music: Men's Chorus

Children's Story: Jean Regier

Nursery: Pat & Bruce Stucky

Remember in Prayer

Marge Kaufman: Dismissed from Mercy Hospital to Pine Village

Jeff Koller: undergoing neck surgery on Thursday, Feb 27.

WDC: Pray for church planters and emerging congregations in WDC, that God would bring growth to the seeds of faithful witness in their communities.

All are invited to the fellowship meal on Wednesday evening, February 26 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The menu includes tater tot casserole, rosy applesauce and cookies.

Eden Mennonite Men: Suggested dues of \$100 can be given to Brandon Kaufman or the church office to cover the Relief Sale's rental of the state fairgrounds. Wednesday March 4th meal is the fish fry. Men, please fill out the sign up sheet in the foyer for a side or a shift.

The 2020 Eden Church Directory is available online but password protected. See the information board at church or call the church office for the password.

Please place your outdated directories in the box provided by the information stand for recycling.

Mobility Worldwide/PET is going on a Guatemala distribution March 30 to April 6, 2020. If anyone would like to help with in country expenses, like distribution of carts, or special projects helping the poor, send checks to Mobility Worldwide, 320 Ruth St. Moundridge. – Kirby and Chris

As part of their care-giving role, the pastors and deacons are visiting members and attenders of the congregation as they are able. They are available to make visits upon request as well. If you could use a visit, please don't hesitate to call either of the pastors or the church office.

Extended Church Family

Sun., Feb. 23 – Joint concert by the Bethel College Concert Choir and Hesston College Bel Canto Singers, 7 p.m., Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church, Goessel
Admission to the concert is free. An offering will be taken to benefit Mennonite Central Committee.

The Moundridge Food Pantry is looking for an individual to become its Director as they serve those families and individuals in need in our community. If you have any interest or questions, please contact Rick Krehbiel at 620-386-4147.

Join us for We've Come This Far by Faith, an MCC Centennial Celebration on Saturday, Feb. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts at Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kansas. We hope you'll join us in celebrating the past 100 years and at the same time help us look forward to the next 100 years of serving in the name of Christ around the world. More information can be found at mcc.org/weve-come-far-faith and to learn more about MCC's centennial, please visit mcc.org/centennial.

Service Adventure is looking for a leader for the Jackson, Mississippi unit. Unit leaders are 24 years old or older, and live in community with 3-5 young adults, serving as mentors. For more information contact LaurenEH@MennoniteMission.net.

Youth Volunteer Weekend is March 13-14! Registration is open and ready for all youth grades 7-12 to join us for a weekend of music, worship, and service. S'mores included! Full scholarships are available as part of the online registration process at www.campmennoscah.org. Call 620-297-3290 with questions.

Registration for all 2020 Camp Mennoscah retreats and camps is now available at www.campmennoscah.org. Look for the Register Online link at the top of the page. Graduating seniors should register now for the best chance to attend Senior High Camp. Questions? Email office@campmennoscah.org or call us at 620-297-3290.

Camp Mennoscah's Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction is March 1! Everyone is invited to join us for an afternoon of hymns, fellowship and desserts at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, on March 1 from 4-6pm. Amazing desserts made by camp supporters will be auctioned off to raise funds to renovate our beloved amphitheater used for evening campfires. Bring your singing voices and open wallets!

Newton Et Cetera Shop invites area organizations to apply for their annual Local Giving grants! Applications may be downloaded at newtonetceterashop.com and must be submitted by e-mail to localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com by April 13, 2020. Multiple grants will be awarded to selected groups by June 2020, in amounts up to \$5,000. For more information, please contact Sara Dick, general manager, Newton Et Cetera Shop, 619 N. Main Street, Newton KS 67114; phone 316-283-9461 or e-mail localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com.

Dr. James Juhnke will be the speaker at the **March 8 annual meeting of the Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association held at 2:30 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall at Bethel College Mennonite Church. "Mennonite Museum in Uzbekistan" is the title of the presentation. He will tell about the history of the Mennonite community that lived for fifty years near the city of Khiva, and how that community is now celebrated in a new museum in Khiva. He will address why the Mennonites moved to a Muslim area and why the Muslims there created a museum that remembers the Mennonites. The Handbell Choir of the Bethel College Mennonite Church will provide music. Election of SMCHA officers for 2020 will be held and there will be an opportunity for members to give counsel and ask questions. Refreshments will be served. No reservations are needed.

You are invited to join the fun at the 13th annual MCC Comforter Blitz on March 2, 3 and 4 at Journey Mennonite Church at the Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Blitz times are Monday and Tuesday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, and Wednesday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC, an organization that supports the work of MCC. For more information check out mcc.org/comforter-blitz.

TO ALL WOMEN - You are invited to the **Western District Women in Mission Spring Supper on Thursday, March 12 at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton, KS**. The meal starts at 6 pm with the program at 7 pm. Our Special Guest Speaker, Patty Shelly, Professor of Bible and Religion at Bethel College, will present "My Journey through Scripture". Reservations required by calling Darlene @ 316-323-9762 or emailing westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com. Cost is \$10 and payable at the door.

Join the conversation about *Caring for Climate: Beyond Denial and Despair*: WDC will host a gathering at the WDC conference room (2517 North Main in North Newton, KS) to watch this upcoming webinar sponsored by Mennonite Creation Care Network on Thursday, February 27 at 6:30 pm followed by conversation together. (You can also register to watch this webinar on your own or sign up to receive a link to a recording afterwards). For more information, <http://mennoniteusa.org/climatejustice/webinar/>

Thurs., March 12, Fri., March 13, Sat., March 14 – Bethel College spring musical: *The Theory of Relativity* by Neil Bartram and Brian Hill, 7:30 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center, tickets in Thresher Shop in Schultz Student Center, weekdays 8 a.m.-5 p.m., or at the door, subject to availability. *Content warning: rated PG-13 for adult themes and language.*