

**Eden Mennonite Church**  
**Moundridge, Kansas**  
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<b>Prelude</b>	Brenda Dalke
<b>Welcome and Invocation</b>	Pastor Dianne
<b>Opening Song STJ 9</b>	<i>Come, now is the time to worship</i>
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Matthew 3
<b>Time with Children</b>	Larry Temple
<b>Worship Music</b>	<i>Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome</i> , arr. by Mosie Lister Cindy Bartell, Shirley Delk, Becky Setser, accompanied by Brenda Dalke
<b>Message</b>	“Every neighborhood and your neighborhood” Tim Schrag
<b>Song of Response STJ 82</b>	<i>Water has held us</i>
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Pastor Derek
<b>Announcements</b>	
<b>Sending Song HWB 420</b>	<i>Heart with loving heart united</i>
<b>Benediction</b>	
<b>Postlude</b>	

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**Scripture next week:** Mark 1:16-45; John 1:35-51; Matt 4:18-22; Luke 5:1-11

**God has been at work in and through Eden Mennonite Church** during this past year in the midst of all the changes that the pandemic has brought. **We are inviting everyone to be a part of our Year in Review Celebration, this evening, Sunday, January 31 at 7:00 pm on Zoom.** We will see a montage of photos from the year and we will share with one another the ways that we have seen God at work in our church family over the past year. We look forward to hearing testimonies of God's activity among us.

### **Remember in Prayer**

**The family of the late Toby & Erma Goering:** their son Larry, and daughters Sharon Regehr and Barbara Goering Smucker, who are all struggling with cancer.

**WDC:** Give thanks for God's creation and pray for WDC congregations as they seek ways to practice faithful stewardship of the natural environment.

**Mennonite Men would like to hear your thoughts** on paying rent for the buildings for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale being held at the Kansas State Fairgrounds on July 2 & 3 this year. The total cost for rental for the buildings we use is \$8800. Please let Brandon Kaufman (620-386-0986) know your thoughts.

**Mary Martha will not meet on February 2.**

**Printed guidelines of Pastor Derek's Invitation for Whole-Church Listening are available at the church office.**

**The Eden Endowment committee met with the new admission of ELT and Stewardship representatives.** Robert Wall from Everence Investments presented a report of the funds history to date and the performance of the last year. Our fund did very well again this year. Our fund started on 1-1-2020 with \$500,894.00. After our \$20,000.00 withdrawal for grants given out in April, the fund ended the year with \$537,071.00. We are pleased to announce **the committee agreed to grant \$25,000.00 this year in April. The application process is now open and we will be accepting them through March 7<sup>th</sup>.** Printed applications can be picked up at the church office or call Becky at the church office (345-8320) or email her, [edenoffice@edenmennonite.org](mailto:edenoffice@edenmennonite.org) and she will email you a copy of the grant request form. Thank you all for the support over the years. We look forward to receiving this year's grant requests.

**Please bring your non-perishable food items and/or your monetary gifts for the Moundridge Food Pantry** to the church office the first week of February. Please make checks to Moundridge Food Pantry.

**The Annual Report Books have been completed and were emailed earlier this week.** If you would like a printed copy call or email the office 345-8320 or [edenoffice@edenmennonite.org](mailto:edenoffice@edenmennonite.org). It has also been posted on our website with the same password as used previous years. Call or email the church office if you don't remember the password.

**Have you updated your information in the church directory?** Please add your email address if you have email. The sooner information is sent in the sooner new directories can be printed. Send updated information to [edenoffice@edenmennonite.org](mailto:edenoffice@edenmennonite.org) or call 620-345-8320.

**Mennonite Education Agency has initiated a search for an executive director.**

To learn more and for a complete agency profile and position description, see: <https://www.mennoniteeducation.org/Resources/News/Pages/default.aspx>.

**MCC Comforter Blitz: At Home** The annual MCC Comforter Blitz is happening virtually this year from now through March! The Kansas Friends of MCC committee is challenging congregations and individuals to complete 300 comforters for MCC by the end of March! Read all the details and information on getting comforter making supplies from MCC at [mcc.org/blitz-at-home](http://mcc.org/blitz-at-home). Share pictures of your work on the [MCC Comforter Blitz](#) Facebook page. Contact [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org) or 316.804.8432 with questions.

**The KIPCOR Film Series at Bethel College is serving up a second helping of *Cooked: Survival by Zip Code***, which focuses on the deadly 1995 Chicago heat wave to illustrate how Black, Indigenous and People of Color and low-income citizens suffer the most negative impact from natural disasters. The film is an indictment of U.S. disaster preparedness, and connects extreme weather, extreme disparity (income and other) and extreme racism. Go to [kipcor.org](http://kipcor.org), “Film Series,” for a link to watch *Cooked* for free and a link to register for the **Feb. 7 virtual discussion; advance registration is required to participate in the discussion**, which will be held in break-out rooms, with leaders who include Chicagoans who experienced the 1995 heat disaster.

**There are volunteer opportunities for you! Camp Mennoscah** continually has year-round work to support the maintenance and upkeep of the campus and facilities. We can accommodate every group size, skill set and length of project you would like to tackle. Go to [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org) to **Get Involved!** Email [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org) or call 620-297-3290 to volunteer.

**MC USA's annual Lent at Home guide is now available for download** at: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/resource-portal/resource/lent-at-home/>. If you would like to have this, but don't have the ability to download it yourself, call the church office, (345-8320) and it will be printed for you to be picked up.

**Registration is open for the Spring Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats** at Camp Mennoscah on March 5-7 and March 19-21! Once the retreats are full, sign up on the waitlist. Register at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org)!

**Nothing's better than a summer at camp!** [Watch the video](https://youtu.be/JSQAHOCgPQY) by clicking on this link <https://youtu.be/JSQAHOCgPQY> created by Mennonite Camping Association about why you should work at camp. [Applications for Camp Mennoscah Summer Staff](#) positions are now being accepted!

**We want to express our appreciation to everyone who has given to WDC** over the past year to help our congregations **Witness** & invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, **Dwell** in just & loving relationships, and **Connect** to God's mission in the world. Your generous gifts are appreciated as we have all navigated ministry in these uncertain times! We continue to invite your contributions as we are looking toward our fiscal year end on January 31! You may make an online contribution at [www.westerndistrictconference.org](http://www.westerndistrictconference.org) or send a check to Western District Conference, PO Box 306, North Newton KS 67117. Thank you for your generosity!

**Join Mennonite Disaster Service February 6, 2 PM as we celebrate the work of our many volunteers in 2020 and look ahead to what God has in store for MDS in 2021.** Through our theme of Unexpected Opportunities, Unexpected Blessings, we will tell stories of hope and restoration during the pandemic as we helped survivors of natural disasters get back into their homes. Find more information at: <https://mds.mennonite.net/annual-celebration/>.

**The McPherson County Early Childhood office will hold a Growth and Development Screening** at the Moundridge Elementary, 205 S. Drucilla Ave. on February 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Please call 620-241-9590 or email [www.usd418.com](http://www.usd418.com) for an appointment. Masks will be required.

#### **Eden Church Office Hours**

**8:00 a.m. to Noon Monday & Friday**

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