Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

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Derek King, Lead Pastor Vol. 65 February 14, 2021 No. 7

Dianne Schmidt, Associate Pastor

Prelude Karen Kaufman

Welcome and Invocation Pastor Dianne

For God so loved us Opening Song HWB 167

Matthew 5:17-20 and Matthew 5:38-48 **Scripture Reading**

Time with Children Shavna Smith

Worship Music The Rainbow Valentine, by Mary Kay Beall

Sarah and Evelyn King, accompanied by Candy Unrau

Pastor Derek Message

You are salt for the earth Song of Response HWB 226

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Sending Song HWB 411 I bind my heart this tide

Benediction

Postlude

Scripture next week: Matthew 14:22-33

Eden Mennonite Church will continue in our current practice of meeting for Worship and Sunday School online and in small groups at least through the end of February. This decision is based primarily on our vision as God's church: "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." We share God's love by doing our best to not make the COVID-19 pandemic worse for the most vulnerable and the healthcare system that is in very serious condition. As we consider the situation, we are hopeful that things are moving in the right direction as incidents of new cases are falling and the vaccine is available for those over the age of 65.

Remember in Prayer

WDC: Pray for health care workers and chaplains in WDC congregations and communities, as they care compassionately for those in need.

The 2021 Eden Directories have been printed and may be picked up at the church office. You are welcome to drop your old ones in the slot in the door at the church office for recycling.

Will you answer the call? The Worship Commission is calling for persons to serve as Children's Time presenters and as greeters. Children's Time enriches worship for both children and adults alike. Greeters are a welcoming presence when we meet in the building for Sunday morning worship. Both contribute to a welcoming and worshipful experience for our faith community and guests. To answer the call to serve as a Children's Time presenter, you may contact Jolene Kaufman for more information at 620-245-3834 or rokfarms4@gmail.com. To answer the call to serve as a greeter, you may contact Cindy Bartell for more information at 316-284-1601 or pathfinderspt@mtelco.net.

Mennonite Men will pay the \$8800 rental fee for the buildings for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale on July 2 & 3. All men attending Eden are encouraged to donate a minimum \$100 to Mennonite Men. Make the checks to Eden with Mennonite Men in the memo line and drop them in the slot in the door at the church office or give to Brandon Kaufman.

If you would like to be added to the group subscription of *Anabaptist World*, please let the church office know. The group rate is \$39. Make checks to Eden with Anabaptist World in the memo line. If you would like your name removed from the group subscription list call the office at 345-8320 or email edenoffice@edenmennonite.org.

The Eden Endowment committee has agreed to grant \$25,000.00 this year in April. The application process is now open, and we will be accepting them through March 7th. 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 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.

From the Peace Witness Commission: Mark your calendars for The Black Church: This Is Our Story, This Is Our Song airing on PBS stations February 16 and 17, 2021 at 9:00 p.m. ET (check local listings.) The documentary reveals how Black people have worshipped and, through their spiritual journeys, improvised ways to bring their faith traditions from Africa to the New World, while translating them into a form of Christianity that was not only truly their own, but a redemptive force for a nation whose original sin was found in their ancestors' enslavement across the Middle Passage. While our mobility may be limited during the pandemic, we can still exercise our minds to learn more of important issues facing people in need.

The Moundridge Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Friday, February 19, at 12:00 noon until 6:00 pm at a new location, West Zion Mennonite Church. Please enter through the west doors only. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use "Moundridge" for the sponsor code. Thank you for your support and if you have any questions call Denise at 620-386-0112 or email https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/j

The Peace/Witness Commission encourages the congregation to take advantage of the online opportunities for learning that exist for everyone to see. Mark Charles, Navajo activist and former pastor, teaches about the Doctrine of Discovery in this MCC webinar. The Doctrine of Discovery is, in his words, "the church in Europe saying to the nations of Europe, 'Wherever you go, whatever land you find not ruled by white European Christian rulers, those people are subhuman, and their land is yours to take." He digs into the Scriptural basis for the Doctrine and discusses in depth the impact of the Doctrine on Native Americans. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFinFW3 shs&feature=youtu.be

First Mennonite Church of Halstead invites you to their drive-thru Verenike Supper from 4-7 p.m. on February 20. Proceeds will go to local Covid-19 Relief.

Use your skills or try something new! Join the summer staff of MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program to support home repair projects in Kimball, West Virginia or Harlan, Kentucky. Positions for Job Site Coordinators and Meals Coordinators are now open. Applicants should be at least 19 years old, but the roles are not limited to young adults. For more information and to apply, visit mcc.org/swap-summer-staff or contact the MCC Appalachia SWAP office at (606) 633-4008 or AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org.

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!

Everence will host a *Social Security and retirement income planning***webinar, on Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m.** Attendees will learn about Social Security strategies, risks that can impact retirement savings and strategies to help income last throughout retirement. This online workshop is free. Register soon by contacting our office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

You are invited to join the virtual MCC Central States annual meeting on Saturday, February 27 at 9 a.m. CST. The meeting will include a reflection on MCC in pandemic times, details about what COVID-19 has meant for MCC thrift shops and a look at our financial statements. To join the meeting please email centralstates@mcc.org and then Zoom meeting information will be sent directly to you.

Join the Youth Venture Civil Rights Tour! Visit places of historical significance, hear stories and learn why our faith calls us to stand against injustice and with the oppressed. Visit MennoniteMission.net/YouthVenture for more information on this summer trip.

Mennonite Voluntary Service is accepting applications for the 2021-2022 service term. Serve, learn and grow in faith through intentional community! Visit MennoniteMission.net/MVS to learn more!

Eden Church Office Hours

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

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