

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas
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Prelude Robin Schrag

Welcome Pastor Derek

Call to Worship

L: Watch! Wait! The day of God is at hand!

P: Like the bud on a tree, God's possibilities are about to blossom!

L: Stay awake! The reign of God is very near.

P: We are here, watching and waiting with hope.

**All: May God bring justice to all people on this day.
May God's reign come on earth as in heaven.**

Song

Scripture Reading Revelation 1:1-2; 21:1-7; 22:8-9 Kennedy Krehbiel

Time with Children Berni Kaufman

Message "Worship: Living into God's Vision" Pastor Dianne

Responsive Reading HWB 689

Song of Response *Worthy is the Lamb* from Handel's *The Messiah*

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Sending Song *Revelation Song* Becky & Derek King

Benediction

Postlude

Scripture next week: Luke 1:67-79

Update on changing practices in the church building:

-We will continue to observe social distancing for the time being maintaining the ropes on every other pew in the sanctuary.

-Masks will be welcome and optional beginning May 23

-We will not have congregational singing for the first two weeks that masks are optional. Congregational singing will resume on June 6.

Remember in Prayer

WDC: Give thanks for the WDC Resource Library, as congregations and individuals use its materials for spiritual growth, sermon preparation, leadership development, Bible study, children's stories, and many other forms of learning and faith formation.

Trustees would like to get a feel for those members who **may have interest in a green burial and what those expectations may be**. Please contact the church office or a trustee if this is a personal desire. (Trustees: Herb Stucky, Matt Schrag, Brent Knight, Brandon Kaufman, or Dustin Krehbiel)

Children's Day will be June 6 with the theme "The Fruits of the Spirit." Weather permitting, the service will be outside on the south lawn beginning at 10am. After a lunch of hamburgers and hot dogs provided by the Education/Discipleship Commission stay for children's games and fellowship for all. Don't forget lawn chairs, sun protection, and swimsuits or clothes that can get wet for the games.

Children: If you would like to perform in the prelude on Children's Day please let Marcella Schrag know by May 30. Everyone would love to hear you play the piano, another instrument, or sing for us.

The Junior Sunday School Department has a new offering project! Beginning today, Sunday, May 23 children may bring their offering to Sunday school to help provide an item on Camp Mennoscah's wish like, a Giant Connect-4 Game. There is a picture of this fun game in each classroom and also on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Mary Martha – Girls Day Out: We will meet for lunch Tuesday, June 1st at 11:45 at the Moundridge Senior Center.

The Peace Witness Commission is supporting the Middle East Children's Alliance, which is providing families in violence-torn Gaza with emergency relief baskets that include food, two blankets, two packs of diapers, and two cans of milk. One basket will put food on a family's table for two weeks. Each basket costs \$70. If you would like to add your support, you can do it two ways: bring a check to the church office with Middle East Children's Alliance in the subject line **before June 4** OR contribute directly via credit card to <https://secure.everyaction.com/WLe4VleCHU2o6iYLSNMZjA2>.

Get your MCC Relief Sale gear online at <https://wearatomic.com/product-category/mcc/> The proceeds from the sale of these products go to support MCC.

Consider Sharing Your Gift of Music: The Worship Commission is looking for persons to share their gifts of music during Sunday morning worship starting in May and extending through the month of August. The music may be vocal or instrumental, an individual or a group. Usually, two numbers are shared. Contact Michelle Schrag at 620-747-2480 or mschrag12@gmail.com if you or someone you know is interested. We would love to hear you!

Camp Mennoscah still has a few openings at most camps. Register online at campmennoscah.org!

Camp Mennoscah is still looking for kitchen staff for June 6-12 and July 18-24. No professional cooking skills needed--just an ability to follow directions and some happiness to share! Contact olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290.

MCC Central States COVID-19 update: We look forward to re-opening the MCC office in North Newton on July 6. Please keep us in your prayers as we consider our protocols, processes and capacity. Material resources donations continue to be accepted in the 24-hour donation room. Financial donations can be made at mcc.org, mailed to the office (MCC Central States PO BOX 235 North Newton, KS 67117) or dropped off by appointment. Please call the MCC office at 316-283-2720 with any questions. Thank you for continuing to support the work of Mennonite Central Committee.

SWAP summer staff needed! MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program is in need of Job Site Coordinators and Meals Coordinators to support home repair projects in Kimball, West Virginia or Harlan, Kentucky. Applicants should be at least 19 years old, but these paid 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) 634-4418 or AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org.

Join author Sarah Augustine as she shares about her new book, **"The Land is Not Empty, Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery,"** in a webinar on June 3 a 7 p.m. EDT/6 p.m. CDT/5 p.m. MDT/4 p.m. PDT. A question-and-answer time will follow. Spanish interpretation provided. This webinar is cosponsored by Mennonite Church USA and MennoMedia. Register here: mennoniteusa.org/land-not-empty

The **WDC Annual Assembly will be held July 30-August 1**, focusing on the theme of "Woven Into God's Story", based on Colossians 2:2-7. Some parts of it will be only virtual, and other parts will be only on-site at Faith Mennonite Church in Newton, KS. Much of it will be hybrid with people on-site and virtual sharing together. Online registration will be available at the beginning of June at: <https://mennowdc.org/2021-wdc-annual-assembly/>

Special Annual Assembly Storytelling Opportunity! WDC's Assembly theme July 30-August 1 is "Woven into God's Story." When was the last time you really listened to the story of someone who doesn't see the world as you do? The folks at StoryCorps have invited WDC to partner with their storytelling project, *One Small Step*, to share and record our own stories within WDC. *One Small Step* is an initiative to facilitate conversations across differences, between people who may disagree politically. It's not a debate. It's a chance to spend time virtually with someone different than you and discover the stories behind each other's beliefs. To join another WDC member for an online conversation, sign up at <https://onesmallstep.storycorps.org/wdc/>. The registration deadline is June 25 and virtual recordings will be scheduled July 28-30 (space is limited).

Chose Thrift First – Join MCC and take the [Chose Thrift First pledge!](#) Learn how you can care for our planet by making secondhand your first shopping choice. [Find your nearest MCC thrift shop](#) to shop, donate and volunteer to support the work of MCC.

MCC Webinars on Wednesday, May 26!

May 26, 12-1:30 p.m. CDT The Color of Compromise series: Raymond Chang
By examining historical and present day examples, Chang will speak about how racism impacts Asian Americans in the church.

May 26, 7 p.m. CDT The Right to Stay and the Right to Go: Migration for Human Dignity: Join Bonnie Klassen and Anna Vogt to learn how MCC understands the different faces and forms of migration in Latin America. Explore the role of advocacy and community organization for supporting human dignity and enabling people to stay rooted within their local communities.

[Register for these webinars and find upcoming webinars on mcc.org.](#)

Attendance last week: Worship – 180; SS: 104; Zoom screens: 7
Offering: \$7,910.18

Eden Church Office Hours

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

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