

Remember in Prayer

Pastor Dianne and Dennis during her sabbatical this summer. May they find rest, relaxation and return rejuvenated and filled with the Holy Spirit.

WDC: Pray for WDC's Annual Assembly next weekend, as we share the new experience of a hybrid (in-person and online) gathering!

Let's have a church swimming party at the Moundridge pool! Join the party on August 15 from 6:30-8:30. Please bring a snack. If you aren't a swimmer, just come for the fellowship. Contact Marla Gillmore, if you have questions.

The Education/Discipleship Commission is seeking Junior Department Sunday school teachers for the coming year which begins in September. Please prayerfully consider this and if you are willing to be a teacher contact Laurie Schrag, Amy Krehbiel, Cory Harrison, Sarah Neufeld or Marcella Schrag.

Please bring your non-perishable grocery items and monetary gifts for the Moundridge Food pantry the first Sunday of the month. Place items in the containers provided near the east entrance and the library.

So many seminars and webinars to choose from at this year's **WDC Annual Assembly, July 30-Aug 1!** Some will be hybrid (available to virtual and on-site participants), some will be virtual only webinars, and others will be on-site only seminars. We hope you'll join us for at least one webinar or seminar. For more information, go to: <https://mennowdc.org/2021-wdc-annual-assembly/> Eden may have up to 11 delegates at the Assembly. The Delegate Session will be on Zoom 8:30-10:30, Saturday, the 31st. Please let Josh Regier know if you are willing to serve as a delegate from Eden.

Registration costs will be covered by ELT and names are due by July 29. Please contact Josh at joshregier82@yahoo.com.

The WDC Annual Assembly Delegate Session on Saturday, July 31, from 8:30-10:30 will be by Zoom only. To participate in discussions and decision-making, each delegate must have their own device - computer, smartphone or tablet. **Eden may have up to 11 delegates at the Assembly. Please let Josh Regier know if you are willing to serve as a delegate from Eden.** Contact Josh at joshregier82@yahoo.com. For more Assembly info and to register, go to: <https://mennowdc.org/2021-wdc-annual-assembly/>.

Are you helping the new hymnal fund grow? The cost of 1 hymnal, \$24, will help get to the goal of replacing the 3 songbooks currently in the pew racks with 1 hymnal, *Voices Together*. *Voices Together* offers us songs from previous Mennonite collections, as well as newly written songs and texts, and a diversity of songs from different cultures and languages. Donations may be taken or mailed to the church office or placed in the church office mailbox at church.

Reports of sexual abuse are becoming more common as survivors feel safer to tell their stories. As these stories become more common even within churches, the Deacons Commission has created a policy and approved by ELT on how to care for survivors of sexual abuse and those who have been accused of sexual abuse. If you have questions or would like to view the policy, please contact the church office. **Pastors and Deacons are ready and willing to listen to those who may need to share their own stories of survival.**

Pine Village is kicking off our 2021 Bierock Fundraiser! Pre-Orders are due **Monday, July 26th** to Pine Village and pick up is Friday, August 6th from 3-6pm at the Pine Village Wellness Center parking lot. Pre-Order forms are on the literature stand in the fellowship hall. Thank you for your support.

The Moundridge Food Pantry located in the Senior Citizen Center, is now open for business regularly. The hours are: Tuesdays from 5 to 6 PM; Thursdays from 3 to 5 PM; and Saturdays from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. **The Food Pantry is in need of volunteers. Please call: 620-747-0967.**

Remember to register for the WDC Annual Assembly at: mennowdc.org/2021. Friday worship, July 30 at 7 pm followed by sno-cones outside at 8 pm. July 31, Saturday 7-8 pm enjoy storytelling under the tent with fresh popcorn. Invite your friends to Faith Mennonite Church, 2100 N Anderson Ave, Newton, for some summer fun. Storytelling also inside and online!

Looking for volunteers!! **Steps to End Poverty of McPherson County (STEP MC) is looking for volunteers to make a meal** for 15-20 people on Monday nights for their weekly meeting. Find a friend and make the meal together OR get a Sunday School class together and help STEP-MC with their mission. It's easy to sign up using the SignUpGenius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da4a928a3fdc70-stepmc> Please call or text Connie Kaufman at 620-386-0816 OR conniejkaufman@gmail.com if you need more information.

Everence to hold *Gifts that give back* webinar Tuesday, August 3 at 6:30 p.m. Many make charitable gifts to support their favorite causes and organizations. Some choose to extend their charitable giving further by designating dollars for charity in their end-of-life plans. But did you know there is another type of gift plan that generates income for the donor and then sends a gift to charity at a later date? Come to this workshop to learn more about "Gifts that give back" and whether it is a strategy for you! Hosted by Mitch Stutzman, Everence Stewardship Consultant, this webinar is free. Please register by contacting our office at 877-467-7294, 316-283-3800 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Summer Youth Camps will end on July 30 and the tents and bunks need to be taken down in preparation for fall groups. **Volunteers are needed in abundance for both July 30 and 31 to lower the tents and break down the bunks for storage.** On Friday, July 30, work will begin at approx.1:30pm (after the end of Senior High Camp) and go until 6:30pm. We'll begin again on Saturday at 8:30am and work until we're done. A simple noon meal will be offered on Saturday. There is the option of staying overnight between the two work days--make it a service holiday! Let us know you are coming for one or both days so we can plan accordingly! Contact us at 620-297-3290.

Colorado Peaches are coming to MCC in North Newton! Get your Colorado Peaches this summer and support MCC at the same time. Beth-El Mennonite Church in Colorado Springs is organizing a fundraiser to cover expenses related to the annual Rocky Mountain Relief Sale, which is being planned for October 15-16 in Rocky Ford, Colorado. **Peaches are available in 10-pound boxes for \$25 and 18-pound boxes for \$35. Deadline for orders/payment is Monday, August 2.** Checks or cash are accepted, checks are made payable to Beth-El Mennonite Church with "Peaches" in the memo line. Please contact Patsy Dirksen at MCC Central States Office for orders/payments at patsydirksen@mcc.org. Pick-up date for peaches is tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 23 at the MCC Central States in North Newton.

Looking Ahead

July 27: 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Commission mtg at church office

July 28: 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg. at church office

July 30-August 1: Western District Conference

August 10: 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship Commission mtg at church office

August 15: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Pool Party.

Attendance last week: Worship – 152; SS - 90; Zoom: ?
Offering: \$38,380.55

Eden Church Office Hours

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

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(On Sabbatical until September 21)