

**Eden Mennonite Church**  
**Moundridge, Kansas**  
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**Prelude** Robin Schrag

**Welcome** Pastor Derek

**Litany of Praise STS 128**

**Congregational Singing STS 1** *Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness*

**Scripture Reading** Luke 16:1-9 "The Parable of the Shrewd Manager"

**Worship Music** Braidyn Unruh

**Scripture Drama** Larry Temple

**Message** "Saving Face, Unexpected Grace" Heidi Regier Kreider

**Song of Response HWB 151** *Marvelous Grace of our Loving Lord*

**Prayers of the People**

**Announcements**

**Sending Song STJ 73** *The Lord Lift you Up*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Scripture next week:** Matt 18:23-35; 20:1-16

**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.

**The Education/Discipleship Commission invites all Junior and Senior Department Sunday school teachers and their spouses/families** from the past year and those planning to teach in the coming year to an appreciation lunch after Sunday school on Aug 22. If you will be teaching in the Junior Department this coming year, please plan to stay for a few minutes after the lunch to receive materials and organize with your fellow teachers for the coming year. Please RSVP by Tues, Aug 17 to Marcella 620-386-4769 or [schragm@yahoo.com](mailto:schragm@yahoo.com).

### Remember in Prayer

**Wayne Ensz** undergoing chemo treatments

**Laverne Flickinger** undergoing heart surgery on August 18

**Leland Goering** dismissed from Mercy Hospital

**Glenna Schrag:** under hospice care

**Les Thiessen:** Dismissed from Mercy Hospital

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

**WDC:** As a new school year begins, pray for health and strength for all students, teachers and mentors in WDC congregations.

**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.**

**The Worship Commission seeks everyone's help in keeping our sanctuary and surrounding areas a welcoming and safe space for our faith community and guests.** Whether it be a pew, the stage area or the choir room, we are asked to pick up after ourselves and remove items no longer needed so that the space is inviting and ready for the next use. The hallway between the sanctuary and choir room is considered an emergency exit. This emergency exit also moves through a corner of the choir room. It is important to refrain from leaving items in these areas so they remain free and clear for use in an emergency. The Worship Commission thanks everyone for their help in caring for our community in this way.

**The Worship Commission thanks the congregation for the funds received thus far for purchasing the new hymnal, *Voices Together!*** The Commission continues to seek funds and invites each household to consider donating the cost of 1 hymnal, \$24 (or more!). Our goal is to have enough funds to purchase 300. We will begin purchasing hymnals so that the choir can help introduce the hymnal by singing some of the songs during worship. Several copies of *Voices Together* have been placed in the library and one copy at the church office. You are invited to look through one of these copies at your convenience but are asked to leave them in their location for others to peruse as well. Donations may be taken or mailed to the church office or placed in the church office mailbox at church.

**Eden will be collecting School Kits for MCC during August and September.**

There is a display in the fellowship hall and the west entrance where you can pick up a School Kit Bag provided by the Mary Martha Circle. Go shopping and fill the bags with the following items.

4 spiral or perforated-page notebooks (8.5 in. x 10.5 in. and 70 sheets)

8 new unsharpened pencils

1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)

12 colored pencils (in packaging)

1 large eraser

2 new black or blue ballpoint pens

A small metal pencil sharpener will be added to each kit later since they are not available in most stores. If you prefer to purchase just certain items, put them in the boxes along with the filled kit bags. If you prefer to donate cash, you may take a check to the church office. It will be used to purchase school supplies or shipping purposes.

**The Moundridge Community Blood Drive is scheduled for August 27 at 12:00 noon until 6:00 PM at West Zion Mennonite Church.**

Please enter through the west doors only. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use "Moundridge" for the sponsor code.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, call Carol at 620-345-6774 or email [bczerger@mtelco.net](mailto:bczerger@mtelco.net).

**Now at Kauffman Museum: "Vapes: Marketing an Addiction."** This new exhibit examines what is known about e-cigarettes, and includes selections from the exhibit "Better Choose Me: Collecting and Creating with Tobacco Fabric Novelties, 1880-1920." Previously on display at NMC Health in Newton, "Vapes" will be at Kauffman Museum through Jan. 9, 2022. Hours: Tues.-Fri., 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sat.-Sun., 1:30-4:30 p.m., closed Mondays and major holidays. There is a small admission charge for non-museum members.

**The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Annual Meeting will be Thursday, August 26, 6:00 pm at First Mennonite Church, McPherson.**

The cost of the meal is \$20.00. Please RSVP to Barb BJ Reeves at [bj.reeves@live.com](mailto:bj.reeves@live.com) or 620-543-6863 by August 22. We will be checking with health information sources regarding group meetings closer to the date for everyone's protection. The funds will go to the McPherson Housing Coalition for the construction of Oak Harbor Cottages for low income/homeless families.

**The next Camp Mennoscah Workday is Aug 28.** Meet at the Maintenance shed at 8:30am and bring your lunch and a water bottle. Come for a partial day, if that's what works! Call us at 620-297-3290 or email [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org)!

**MCC Treats & Beats, August 26 from 4 p.m.-6 p.m. at MCC in North**

**Newton!** Join us for this relaxed come-and-go event featuring ice cream treats from Salted Creamery and beats from the talented Kevin Gaedder! Drop in, grab some ice cream and enjoy a little music as our thank you for your support of the work of MCC!

**New curriculum now available from MCC!** Conflict is a normal part of life. It arises in our workplaces, in our churches and with our families. To help people to learn to work through divisive issues, Mennonite Central Committee has produced a new adult Sunday school curriculum, [Peaceful Practices: A guide to healthy communication in conflict](#). It invites churchgoers to follow Jesus' call to peacemaking through dialogue with each other in nine sessions. The curriculum is available to download for free, or in print for a suggested \$5 donation. Please direct questions to [karinkaufmanwall@mcc.org](mailto:karinkaufmanwall@mcc.org) 316.283.2720 or curriculum author Jes Stoltzfus Buller at [peacefulpractices@mcc.org](mailto:peacefulpractices@mcc.org).

**All women 13 years and older are invited to the annual Women's Retreat held Saturday, Sept 11 through Sunday, September 12 at Camp Mennoscah** near Murdock. Kathy Neufeld Dunn will be our main speaker on Re/Connecting with God and Each Other. Click here: <https://mennowdc.org/womens-retreat-2021/> for more information and registration forms. Covid rules and restrictions will be followed, and a few things will look different so please read the information carefully. We hope to see there!

**Looking Ahead**

**August 17:** 7:15 p.m. Eden Leadership Team mtg.

**August 23:** 7:00 p.m. Worship Commission mtg.

**August 28:** 10:30 a.m. Clyde Goering memorial service

**September 7:** 6:00 p.m. Deacons mtg.

**Attendance last week:** Worship – 137; SS - 90; Zoom:

Offering: \$11,124.55

**Eden Church Office Hours**

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

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(On Sabbatical until September 21)