

Remember in Prayer

Laverne Flickinger dismissed from St. Francis Hospital

Joe Lichti: Wesley Hospital

Kathy and Galen Waltner grieving after the death of Kathy's mother, Marie Bayer on August 18.

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 Commissions as they support ministerial leaders, resource congregations, nurture church planting, and steward resources for God's work in our conference.

Clyde Goering (83) passed away on July 26. A celebration of life service will be held on Saturday, August 28 at 10:30 a.m. at Eden. We extend our sympathy to his wife Felice and sister-in-law Mabel Goering.

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.

Tractor drivers are needed for the Kansas State Fair on Friday, September 17. The signup sheet is in fellowship hall. If you have any questions, please give Dennis Graber a call at 620-747-2565.

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 for 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 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 bczergar@mtelco.net.

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 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!

Join MCC in prayer and support for those suffering in our world. MCC has prepositioned relief materials in Haiti for immediate use. Earlier this month an additional shipment of supplies was sent to Haiti and is expected to arrive in September. MCC continues to respond to needs around the world in Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Congo and other crisis areas. We greatly appreciate your [monetary donations](#) to keep current projects going and to help with extra expenses due to recent disasters; and we could use your help in replenishing our supplies of [relief kits and hygiene kits](#). Questions can be directed to 316.283.2720 or [centralstates@mcc.org](mailto:centerstates@mcc.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!

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!

Are you sad that summer is coming to an end? **Come out and have a great night of fun and entertainment at the Community Fun Night!** Saturday, September 4, starting at 5:30pm at Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church, 43 13th Avenue, Inman. There will be Cornhole Tournament (\$20 entry fee, cash prizes, registration 5:30-600); Kids' activities (inflatables, face painting, water games); Car Show; Food Vendors (Epp Soul Food and Patrick Klassen); Drive-in Movie on the lawn at dark. Everyone's welcome! Bring your family and friends as we celebrate the end of summer!! Find Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church on Facebook for more details.

Looking Ahead

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

August 25: 7:00 p.m. Music planning mtg.

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

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

Attendance last week: Worship – 143; Zoom: 12; SS - 97;
Offering: \$5,752

Eden Church Office Hours

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

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Associate Pastor, Dianne Schmidt

(On Sabbatical until September 21)