Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

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Derek King, Lead Pastor Dianne Schmidt, Associate Pastor (On sabbatical)

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Prelude Candy Unrau

Create in me a Clean Heart Arr. by Mark Hayes and Lord, Be Glorified by Kilpatrick, Arr. by Mark Hayes

Welcome Pastor Derek

Call to Worship

Congregational Singing HWB 366 God of Grace and God of Glory

Scripture Drama "Refusing to Forgive"

(Adapted by June Krehbiel from "The Man Who Refused to Forgive" by Steven James)
Britney, DaWayne, Aspyn, Ampton, and Kasen Stos

Worship Music "Amazing Grace" Nikki Moddelmog & Susan Mayo

Message "Thoughts, Feelings, and Listening to God" Tim Schrag

Scripture Passages: Matthew 18:23-35; 20:1-16

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Sending Song HWB 428 Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

Benediction

Postlude Prelude in F Major by J S Bach

Scripture next week: Romans 6:2b-11

Eden Mennonite Church, consistent with the McPherson County Health Department, "recommends all individuals 2 years and above mask in indoor settings when 6-foot distance cannot be maintained. Get vaccinated if you're eligible, stay home if you are sick, and wash your hands." (from the MCHD Press Release, 8-12-2021) We will continue to monitor the recommendations of the local Health Department and make necessary adjustments.

-Eden Leadership Team

Mary Martha will have an all-day meeting on September 7. Bring your own sack lunch and wear a mask.

Remember in Prayer

Leland Goering at Pine Village under Hospice care **Leona Goering** at Meadowbrook at Pine Village

Joe Lichti: Wesley Hospital

Marjorie Stucky under Hospice care

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

Thank you for bringing your non-perishable and monetary donations for the Moundridge Food Pantry to church the first Sunday of the month. Place items in the containers provided at the east entrance and the library.

Today is the last Sunday of the summer quarter and next Sunday the fall Sunday School quarter will begin. For many children that will mean a different classroom and teacher. The Junior Sunday School Department will continue collecting money for an outdoor game for Camp Mennoscah. A picture of the Giant Connect-4 Game is in each classroom and on the board in the Fellowship Hall. Kids, remember to bring your offering to Sunday school.

Eden alternative burial options: The individual plot in the cemetery may be used in whatever way that person chooses. It is the responsibility of the family to understand all the time factors associated with non-embalming. If a concrete vault is not used there will be an additional maintenance fee for years of continued settling of the ground. – Trustees

All adults are asked to meet at the north end of the fellowship hall during the SS hour today, Aug 29 to discuss the Care for Survivors of Sexual Abuse and Those Who Have Been Accused of Sexual Abuse policy created by the Deacon Commission and approved by ELT. Hard copies of the policy can be found on the literature stand in the fellowship hall and it can also be found on our website, (click on about, then on resources).

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.

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.

Watch the hymnal fund grow! The Worship Commission has placed a graph on an easel in the fellowship hall which will chart the hymnal fund growth. We are nearly 1/3 of the way to our goal with enough donations for 95 hymnals! The Commission plans to purchase and transition to the new hymnal when we reach enough funds for 130 hymnals. Each \$24, the cost of 1 hymnal, moves us one step further towards reaching our goal. Several copies of *Voices Together* have been placed in the library and 1 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 for shipping purposes.

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.

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.

Kansas MDS Unit sponsoring two Learning and Service Trips to McAllen Texas:

(October 16 - October 23 (corrected), February 19 – 26). Participants will leave Kansas on Saturday morning traveling to San Antonio, TX, staying overnight. Visiting San Antonio Mennonite Church on Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon traveling to McAllen TX for the MDS project. **Costs:** Lodging and meals on the two traveling weekends. MDS will cover the remainder of the expenses. Reservations: To make your reservations or for more information contact Cleo Koop at cleokoop@gmail.com or call 316-282-0797.

Mennonite Health Fellowship (MHF) is hosting its virtual Annual Gathering in September 17-19. All with an interest in healthcare from a faith perspective are welcome to attend, and all MHF members are encouraged to attend at least part of the weekend. Registration and information are on the MHF website at www.mennohealth.org.

September 26 is a Camp Mennoscah Combo! It's the Hymn Sing-Dessert Auction and Annual Meeting all in one! There are still details to be determined, but plan on some hymn singing (masked & distanced), bidding on delectable desserts, and information about Camp Mennoscah's year. We'll keep the details coming your way!

Looking Ahead

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

September 14: 7:00 p.m. Education/Discipleship mtg.

September 21: 7:15 p.m. ELT mtg.

Attendance last week: Worship – 136; No Zoom; SS - 109; Offering: \$14,109.99

Eden Church Office Hours 8:00 a.m. to Noon Monday thru Friday

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(On Sabbatical until September 21)