

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas
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Prelude

Jill Zerger



Welcome

Gail Graber



Call to Worship



Song VT 267

What Child is This



Candle Lighting and Litany



Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12



Time with Children

Kristin Kaufman



Hymn VT 260

On This Great Day of Days



New Testament Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14



Message

Pastor Derek



Song of Response VT 273

Arise, Your Light is Come



Sharing our Joys and Concerns



Prayers of the People

Commissioning of New Leaders VT 965



Announcements



Sending Song VT 275

O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem



Benediction



Postlude

*VT – Voices Together

Eden Remember in Prayer

The family of Elizabeth Goering grieving after her death

WDC: Pray for WDC staff in the coming year, as they work to support ministers and church leaders, equip congregations with resources, and encourage church planting initiatives and partnerships.

Elizabeth Goering (101) passed away on Thursday, December 23. A memorial service will be held later this spring. We extend our sympathy to all her extended family and friends.

An additional Angel Tree Memorial came in for Rex Clothier, remembered by Cory, Amanda, Rex and Althea Harrison.

The January issue of *The Garden* newsletter is available on the literature stand.

Mary Martha will have a workday on January 4. Please bring a covered dish for lunch.

On January 2, everyone is invited to an Appreciation Reception to thank Becky Koller for her years of service as our church office secretary. Refreshments will be provided for a time of fellowship between worship and Sunday school. You are welcome to bring cards, notes, or monetary gifts to express your gratitude and bless Becky in her retirement.

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

The Mennonite Men are collecting funds for those affected by wildfires in western Kansas. Checks can be made to Eden with Mennonite Men in the memo line. Give checks to Brandon Kaufman or take to the church office. Check will be distributed directly to affected ranchers. If you have items to donate, please contact Jackie Harmon at 785-639-1010.

End of Year Reports: To help streamline our reporting process we have prepared templates for you to follow in preparing your 2021 annual financial report. We will be forwarding a budget report template to commission treasurers and an auxiliary report template to Sunday School class, Mary Martha, Mennonite Men, and any other treasurers. Please save and send your completed reports to the church office by **January 14**. If you have any questions on the templates, please feel free to contact one of the Stewardship Commission members. Fred will be providing treasurers with updated financial information as we finish the year. Thanks for your assistance.

Commissions and Committees: Please meet to decide who will serve in each position on your Commission or Committee. Turn those names into the church office edenoffice@edenmennonite.org as soon as possible. The sooner we get that information, the sooner we can update that information in the church directory and print them.

Please check your information for the Church Directory. Pages for the directory are on the table in the fellowship hall. Initial it if it is ok or make changes and initial it if changes need to be made. Check information for family and friends in the Wider Fellowship info to make sure it is up to date.

Would you like to contribute to our worship services, but you're not an "up front" kind of person? Do you like pushing buttons? We have a great team of volunteers that run the **Sound Board**, the **Video System**, and the **Zoom Call** each Sunday and **they could use your help**. If helping out in any of those ways interests you, contact pastor Derek and plan to come to a training session on **January 5 at 6:30PM**.

Church Office Secretary, Apply Now! Becky Koller will be retiring from her position effective December 31, 2021. If you think this opportunity might be a good fit for you, please go to the following link to see the job description and fill out an application: <https://forms.gle/Uu5P8twHjuJzcZPm7> If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastors Derek or Dianne.

On January 12, Wednesday evening meals and a Bible Study for all ages will begin. We will be meeting for 8 weeks and if your Sunday School Class, family, or any other church group or individual would be willing to provide a meal please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall or by using the computer link below. If you have any questions contact Marcella Schrag, 620-386-4769.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4CAA92EA0F85-wednesday>

Start the year off right by volunteering to help with a Steps to End Poverty MC meal. STEP MC is looking for volunteers to make a meal for 35-40 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. The calendar is wide open, so pick a date and get signed up. 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.

Volunteering opportunities continue through the winter months! The wish list is full of both items and volunteer projects for every group size, skill set and length of project. These items and projects help with the faith formation that happens at Camp Mennoscah. The list has more wishes and there are more projects to do. Email office@campmennoscah.org or call 620-297-3290 to volunteer. See the [Wish List](#) for other ways to support Camp Mennoscah!

Camp Mennoscah is seeking a **full-time Director of Development, Marketing & Communications** to lead our ongoing operational and advancement needs. For more information go to <https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/FMfcgzGmtFChNfLLTrVhdQfzPBnLFpld>

Looking Ahead

Jan 4: 7:00 p.m. Deacons mtg.

Jan 5: 6:30 p.m. AV training at Eden

Jan 8: Leadership Retreat at Eden 8:30 a.m. – noon

Jan 11: 7:15 p.m. Eden Leadership Team mtg. at church office

Jan 14: All End of Year Reports due in church office

Jan 21: All items for February *Garden* due in the church office.

Attendance last week: Worship – 134; Zoom - 20; SS - 90; Offering: \$18,175.86

Eden Church Office Hours

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

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