

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas

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Prelude Candy Unrau

Welcome Pastor Dianne

Call to Worship

Leader: O God, by the leading of a star you revealed your only Son
in all his glory to the people of the earth.

**People: The manifestation of light and new life,
you are Emmanuel, God with us.**

Leader: Guide us into your presence,
where we may see your glory face-to-face.

**People: We bring our gifts of service, unity, and love
as a blessing to your kingdom.**

**All: Let all the earth adore you,
for you are the Lord of lords and the King of kings.**

Opening Song - VT 265, vs. 1&3, *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

Gospel Reading - Matthew 2:1-12 June Krehbiel

Time with Children Ian Smith

Worship Music - *Angels, Ever Bright and Fair* arr by Marilyn Epp
Alleluia, Sing Alleluia by Barry Talley

Ladies Chorus, accompanied by Brenda Dalke

Epistle Reading - Ephesians 3:1-12 Dennis Schmidt

Message Pastor Derek

Song of Response - VT 797, vs. 1&2, *We Are People of God's Peace*

Communion

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song - VT 275, vs. 1&3, *O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem*

Postlude

**VT – Voices Together

Eden Remember In Prayer

Ellen Stucky released from hospital to Pine Village

Mabel Goering released from hospital and is back at Krehbiel Apts.

Mary Ann Waltner is at Mercy hospital

WDC: Pray for generous contributions to WDC as the fiscal year ends in January, to support conference ministries of equipping ministers, resourcing congregations, and networking church planting partnerships.

Nursery: Kathy and Al Neufeld

Jan 15: Carol and Larry Temple

Year-end treasurer reports and summaries from various commissions and committees need to be submitted to the secretary at the church office no later than **January 15**.

Mennonite Men will have an annual meeting in front of the Sanctuary today following the Worship Service.

“Eden Wednesday Nights” will **begin January 18**. A meal will be served at **6PM** and a **Game Night** will follow. Pastor Dianne will lead an Intergenerational Bible Study for all ages starting on January 25.

It is important that **all Mary Martha members meet at 10AM, Jan 17**, to determine the distribution of goods and the money in the treasury. Please bring a covered dish for lunch, the business meeting will follow.

Church Office Secretary, Apply Now! Candee Manners has resigned as our church secretary effective January 27, 2023. If you think this opportunity might be a good fit for you, please go to <https://forms.gle/s8xBcMwjA2BnbPZN7> to see the job description and fill out an application: If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastors Derek or Dianne.

Registration is open for **KNOW JESUS**, an **overnight retreat for 6th - 8th graders on February 4 - 5 at Hesston College!** At Know Jesus, students can learn more about their Anabaptist roots through worship, service, and interactive activities. As a way to put our faith into action we will be raising funds for Numana prior to Know Jesus and then packaging meals during the retreat. To register, visit www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/3ad5d948-fa4c-4578-99cb-f502a2ba7586. Contact Melissa Landis at 215-896-4808 or email melissahlandis@gmail.com for registration information or with questions.

Announcement from Trinity Mennonite Church, Hillsboro, KS: Trinity Mennonite Church is planning to end its time as a congregation. The congregation has given their building at **211 S. Elm** to the Hillsboro Community Childcare Center, a much needed ministry in the community. **A church “close out sale” (garage sale)** will be **Saturday, January 21 in the Fellowship Hall** with craft items, toys, Christmas decorations, artificial 6-foot trees, artificial flower bouquets, candles, vases, different hymn books, ping pong table, foosball game, electric treadmill, costumes (and other items found in Sunday School closets and worship supply closets). **Come explore from 9:00 am-2:00 pm!** All purchases are by donation to the Childcare Center. For bigger items like pulpits, upright pianos, communion tables, communion sets, organ, pews, banners, large hedge-wood crosses, etc. please call the church at 620-947-3824 to express your interest. Our last service will be April 9, Easter Sunday morning at 10:30 am following a sunrise service (at the actual time of sunrise) and a 9:30 brunch. Guests and former members of Trinity are welcome to attend.

WDC Hope Fund assists WDC congregations and commissions in response to the impact of the COVID pandemic, natural disasters and other emergencies resulting in added expenses, stress, and loss of income. Thanks to generous contributions from WDC congregations, members and friends, 28 grants were made from 2020 to 2022, totaling over \$62,000. Nearly a third of WDC congregations and the Ministerial Leadership Commission have received grants (some receiving multiple grants) to assist with needs such as rent, utility bills, facility repairs, groceries, medical costs, transportation, children’s daycare, mental health counseling and coaching. After all this good work, the Hope Fund is running low and seeks new contributions in 2023! Donations designated “Hope Fund” may be made online

<https://forms.ministryforms.net/embed.aspx?formId=c50eb5b3-a9b7-4431-ba3c-bcb6744f74f1>. or sent to Western District Conference at PO Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117. Thank you for sharing in this ministry of mutual encouragement within WDC. For more information and application see

<https://mennowdc.org/wdc-hope-fund-response-to-the-coronavirus-andemic/>

MC USA is looking for seminar ideas for the upcoming MennoCon23 convention in Kansas City on July 3-8, 2023. Christian Formation exists to transform us as youth, adults and communities of Mennonite Church USA into Christ-shaped vessels to serve both church and world. Seminars are typically 60 minutes in length and cover a variety of categories. MennoCon23 convention planners invite you to suggest topics and speakers for seminars that will draw us in and that have potential to further the transformation process in ourselves and our communities. Visit <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/the-experience/worship-equipping-seminars/> to learn more and submit your seminar ideas. The seminar **submission deadline is January 31, 2023.**

Camp Mennoscah: Interviews for Summer Staff Starting Soon! We are seeking stunning summer staff to fill the following leadership positions for the 2023 summer: crafts, lifeguard, music, nature, office, and grounds. These positions are typically filled by college-age students, are summer-long and receive a stipend. Let us know who you think would make a great summer staffer at Camp Mennoscah. It's a summer of fun, service and faith formation!

Now at Kauffman Museum on the Bethel College campus: "Reeds and Wool: Patterned Screens of Central Asia," revived from 20 years ago in memory of the late John Sommer, who collected the screens, made by nomadic Kyrgyz women, and organized the original exhibit. **The exhibit will be in the museum through May 23, 2023. Regular Kauffman Museum hours are Tues.-Fri., 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sat.-Sun., 1:30-4:30 p.m.** The museum is closed Mondays. There is a small admission charge for non-members. The museum store is open during exhibit hours with no charge to visit. See kauffmannmuseum.org or the Kauffman Museum Facebook page.

Mon., Jan. 16 – Bethel College celebration of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, featuring Marche Fleming-Randle, "Together We Can Be the Dream," 7 p.m., Memorial Hall

Looking Ahead

Jan 9: Worship Commission meeting, Eden office, 7:30PM

Jan 10: Deacon Commission meeting, Eden office, 7:30PM

Jan 11: Choir Practice, Ladies Chorus 7:30PM, Chancel Choir 8PM

Jan 14: Leadership Retreat, 11AM -2PM

Jan 22: Baptism and Reception of New Members

Feb 5: Year in Review Celebration

Attendance Last Week: Worship-120; Zoom-10; SS-75 Offering -\$2,992.52

Eden Church Office Hours

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

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