

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas

Derek King, Lead Pastor

Bev Baumgartner, Interim Associate Pastor

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Seeking Peace Together: Peace Within

Prelude

Robin Schrag

Welcome

Gail Graber

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather now in awe

West: of the One who has searched us and known us,

East: the Alpha and the Omega.

Leader: We come together in praise

West: of the One for whom night is as bright as day,

East: who was and who is and who is to come.

Leader: We open ourselves to the presence

West: of the One who has formed our inward parts,

East: the Almighty God.

Leader: So let us lift our hearts and our voices to worship our God,

West: who holds us and leads us,

East: who is still with us—

All: now and always.

Invocation

Opening Song

“Uyai Mose (Come, All You People)”

#2

led by Deb Lichti

Installation of Bev Baumgartner

Heidi Regier Kreider, Western District Conference

Scripture reading Psalm 139:1-18

Rhett Stucky

Time with Children

Jay Goering

Message

“Known and Loved”

Pastor Derek

Song of Response

“O God, You Search Me ”

#199

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (Raise your hand and an usher will bring a mic.)

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song

“Quietly, Peacefully” (v. 1,3)

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Postlude

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If you would like to share financial offerings, you may leave your donation in the vessel on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

[Sunday School begins five minutes after the end of the worship service.]

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Joseph Schrag will be leaving July 5 for Thailand and Cambodia. He will be travelling with Global Sports Ministries, returning July 25.

Pastor Derek, Jeff Koller, Bret Gillmore, and Dave Stucky as they represent Eden this week at MennoCon23 (MC USA Convention) in Kansas City.

The Pastoral Search Committee welcomes the prayers of the congregation as we move forward together.

Western District Conference (WDC): Pray for delegates and other adults, youth and children from WDC attending MennoCon23 in Kansas City this week, as they join in fellowship, learning and discernment together with others from Mennonite Church USA.

Nursery: Brenda Dalke and Dave Stucky

July 9: Shayna and Ian Smith

The peace lamp is lit to remind us to pray for an end to violence in the world. We trust in the power of prayer and know that through prayer all things are possible.

“Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church (LAMC), Wichita, joyfully celebrates with you as **Beverly Baumgartner begins** as your new interim associate pastor. Beverly is a member of LAMC and we know she will be a blessing to your congregation. The flowers are a gift to Beverly from LAMC.” —LAMC

Congratulations to Alyssa Schrag who graduated with a Master’s of Archaeology degree from the University of Pavia, Italy.

Moundridge Community Vacation Bible School Summer 2023 will be hosted by West Zion Mennonite Church from Tuesday, July 11 to Friday, July 14 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Email [Ashley Stucky](#) or call her at 620-245-4375 to volunteer or to register your child/children. You may also register [online](#). We would like all children planning to attend to be registered by Sunday, July 9. Walk-ins will be welcome.

A **VBS decorating party** will begin at 3 p.m., Sunday, July 9 with a meal and volunteer meeting to follow. If you are not able to attend, please contact Ashley Stucky. If you would like to help, notice the sign-up sheet on a table in the Fellowship

Hall for items needed, either donated or borrowed. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered for VBS this summer!

Come enjoy experiencing God in nature at **Camp Mennoscah Retreat Weekend on July 15-16**. We will join First Mennonite and At the Feet of Christ church from Wichita for the weekend. Registration begins at 2 p.m. on Saturday and departure no later than 2 p.m. Sunday.

Sandwich fixings will be provided for supper Saturday. **Please bring a side dish** to share. The Retreat Center has air conditioning units, so please don't let the warm temperatures keep you home. You may choose to come one or both days. To help with planning, please sign up on the sheet found in the fellowship hall by next Sunday, July 9. There will be no Sunday morning gathering at the church building on July 16. Come join us!

Mobility Worldwide KS/PET has scheduled a distribution of mobility carts for the disabled in Guatemala for August. Help with expenses would be appreciated. Please make the check to the order of M.W.KS with "Trip" in the memo line. Mail the check to M.W.KS, 320 W Ruth St, Moundridge, KS 67107. Kirby and Chris Goering.

OUR OUTREACH

STEPMC: Steps To End Poverty in McPherson County

WDC: Western District Conference

MCUSA: Mennonite Church USA

MCC: Mennonite Central Committee

Moundridge Food Pantry: Please bring your monetary or non-perishable food items to Eden, the first Sunday of the month. Place non-perishable food items in the containers provided near the east entrance of the library. Monetary gifts: Make check out to: Associated Ministries of Moundridge/Food Bank. Mail to: Mid Kansas Credit Union, PO Box 608, Moundridge, KS 67107.

STEPMC is currently walking alongside many families who are experiencing unreliable transportation. Would you or someone you know have a **vehicle to donate to STEPMC**? You could give someone a giant boost on their journey out of poverty with the gift of a reliable vehicle. Click [here](#) to donate. Or contact Jay Goering, board president, for more information.

WDC Assembly 2023 Registration is now open! It's not just for church leaders! It's for everybody! Aug. 11-13. Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, KS. Isaiah 51:1-8 and Numbers 27:1-11 will guide us as we explore "**Holy (Wholly) Listening.**" We will stretch ourselves to listen carefully to one another as siblings in Christ who

understand scripture differently and can widen our cultural, racial, and identity perspectives as we focus on faith in Christ together. As we hear the concerns and joys of all of us in Western District Conference, we will explore what it means to respond to one another with God's mercy and justice.

MCC School Kit Challenge: Notebooks and pencils are treasures for families around the world who have been forced to flee their homes or struggle to afford basic school supplies. Without these items, many kids in places like Syria, Ukraine and South Sudan can't get the education they desperately need. Enter the **School Kit Challenge:** 10,000 school kits to help 10,000 kids during the month of August. Plus, we've got a fun activity for Sunday School and VBS students! Download our free School Kit Challenge activity resource full of challenges for kids to learn how school supplies help children receive a tangible message of God's love. **Learn more about this challenge and download the free guide [here](#).**

Looking Ahead

July 4: Eden Office will be closed

Attendance Last Week: Worship: 176; Zoom: 9; SS 128; Offering: \$12,268.71

Eden Church Office

Hours: 8:00 a.m. to Noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

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