

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas

Derek King, Lead Pastor

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No. 25

Prelude Brenda Dalke

Welcome Jenny Schrag

Call to Worship

Leader: Watch! Wait! The day of God is at hand!

People: Like the bud on a tree, God's possibilities are about to blossom!

Leader: Stay awake! The reign of God is very near.

People: We are here, watching and waiting with hope.

**All: May God bring justice to all people on this day.
May God's reign come on earth as in heaven.**

Opening Song "God of Grace and God of Glory" #716
led by Cindy Bartell

Scripture reading Luke 20:1-8 Sawyer Kaufman

Worship Music "Take My Hand, Precious Lord" by Thomas Dorsey
Sam Shilts with Brenda Dalke, accompanist

Time with Children Katie Stucky

Message "The One Who Shouts the Loudest" Matt Troyer-Miller
Region 3 Operations Coordinator, Mennonite Disaster Service

Song of Response "He Came Down" #239

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

Prayers of the People

Worship Music "O Magnify the Lord" by Dick and Melodie Tunney
Sam Shilts with Brenda Dalke, accompanist

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song "We Dream of a Turning" #209

Postlude

For For For For For

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

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Camper: Rex Harrison

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

Western District Conference (WDC): Pray for pastoral candidates, and for pastoral search committees in WDC congregations, as they discern the guidance of the Holy Spirit for future ministerial leadership.

Nursery: Samantha and Heath Doane **June 18:** Cindy Bartell and Alan Thomas

The peace lamp is lit as a reminder that we should be in prayer for an end to violence in the world. We trust in the power of prayer, as we know that through prayer, all things are possible.

Items for **The Garden** newsletter are due to the office by **June 26**.

The family of **Marie Wedel** will be hosting an **open house to celebrate Marie's 100th birthday**. Join with others at Pine Village Wellness Center from 1-3 p.m. on **Saturday, June 17** to celebrate Marie. All are invited.

The Peace/Witness Commission is encouraging us to **HELP MCC**. North Newton's Material Resources Center is critically low on inventory. Some supplies are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. Please help by purchasing: 1) new infant onesies and sleepers (3-12 month sizes), 2) notebooks (70 sheets), 3) black or blue ballpoint pens, 4) shampoo (20 oz. or larger), 5) men's deodorant (2.25 oz. or larger), or 6) toothpaste (5 oz. or larger). **Bring these items to church by July 2** and Eden's Peace/Witness Commission will deliver them to North Newton. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found [here](#).

The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for June 23 starting at noon until 6 p.m. at the Pine Village Wellness Center. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit the [website](#) and "Moundridge" for the sponsor code. Thanks for your support and if you have any questions, call Denise Stucky at 620-386-0112 or [email](#).

Moundridge Community Vacation Bible School Summer 2023 will be hosted by West Zion Mennonite Church (101 Washington Ave, Moundridge) from Tuesday, July 11 to Friday, July 14. The fun starts at 6 p.m. and ends at 8:30 p.m.

Email [Ashley Stucky](#) or call her to volunteer or to register your child/children. You may also register [online](#).

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for our annual **Camp Mennoscah Retreat Weekend on July 15-16**. This year will be a joint retreat with First Mennonite Church of Moundridge and friends from At the Feet of Christ Church in Wichita. Come to swim, play games, eat together, enjoy a campfire and worship. We hope to see you there. Bring your friends!

OUR OUTREACH

STEPMC: Steps To End Poverty in McPherson County

WDC: Western District Conference

MCC: Mennonite Central Committee

STEPMC is currently walking alongside many families who are experiencing unreliable transportation making it harder for them to get to work, take care of their kids, and pay all of their bills. 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.

It will soon be 150 years since our ancestors came to the USA in 1874. Let's celebrate all year. We will begin by remembering the old days with agriculture. Come see a **Plowing with Horses event** and Vintage Tractor demonstration at a 22-acre field west of the Moundridge Historical Museum, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., July 15, 2023. Concessions will be available from Lone Tree Mennonite Church. A tent will be provided for shade. You might bring a lawn chair. The museum will also be open.

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.

The **WDC Conference Resource Library will be hosting Story Days**. This self-guided, come-and-go approach will include activities for ages 3-8 and a caregiver from 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m., July 20 and Aug. 3. Library staff/volunteers will read to the

kids and accompanying adults on the hour from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. The Resource Library is located at 2517 N Main in North Newton.

Mennonite Church USA is hosting a collaborative **Youth and Young Adult Climate Summit, July 7**, at the Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center. The event will bring together experts in climate change, spiritual activism and social justice to explore the ways that young people ages 14 to 25 can put their faith to work to address the spiritual and human crisis caused by climate change. Register [here](#).

Jon Carlson, moderator-elect for Mennonite Church USA and worship speaker at MennoCon23, writes, “**This is part of what I love about the Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition.** We believe that the work of interpretation — of figuring out what is right — happens best in communities guided by the Holy Spirit,” in his blog, “Communities of Transformation.” Read more [here](#)

Menno Snapshots: “Imagine a great symphony without spaces between the notes. Imagine conversation with a beloved friend without pauses between the words.” Eric Massanari, executive conference minister for the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference of Mennonite Church USA, reflects **on silence as a spiritual practice** in his Menno Snapshots blog. Read more [here](#).

Looking Ahead

June 20: Eden Leadership Team 7 p.m. at Eden Office

Attendance Last Week: Worship: 140; Zoom: 6; SS 82; Offering: \$12,111.45

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