

Eden Mennonite Church
Moundridge, Kansas

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Unity of the Body

Prelude

Bo Howard

Welcome

Pastor Bev Baumgartner

Call to Worship

One: If you seek shelter from the cares of the world,

Many: There's room for you here.

One: If you're here, but don't really know why,

Many: There's room for you here.

One: If you like things "just so," or if you favor "creative chaos,"

Many: There's room for you here.

One: The One who searches, keeps, gathers and strengthens is here with us.
Let us sing our faith together.

Opening Songs

"What Is This Place"

#22

Confession and Curious Question:

How do we know if we are growing towards Christ?

Time with Children

Britney Stos

Worship Music

"On Eagle's Wings" setting by Douglas E. Wagner
"Look at the World" by John Rutter

Chancel Choir, accompanied by Robin Schrag

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:1-24

Larry Temple

Message

"On the Road"

Pastor Derek King

Song of Response

"You Are Not Alone"

#779

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song

"Heart With Loving Heart United"

#813

Postlude

Choral Director: Becky Setser



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 ten minutes after the end of the worship service.]

Key

MCC: Mennonite Central Committee (relief, development, and peace mission)

SMCHA: Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association

WDC: Western District Conference (Eden's regional conference of MC USA)

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Joe Lichti has returned home.

Tim and Amber Stucky grieving the death of his sister, Ellen, Oct. 19.

WDC: From generation to generation your mighty works have been. I also ask that your mighty works be manifested amid the times in which we live. Make us understand your desires and appreciate and carry out your projects and vision of these last days. In the name of Jesus, we ask you. Amen. — WDC Church Planting Commission

Nursery: Oct. 29: Sarah and Kyle Neufeld

Nov. 5: Kathy and Al Neufeld

The peace lamp is lit as a reminder to pray 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.

Sunday School Elective for fall: Pastor Derek is leading an adult Sunday School class on the topic of death which meets in the sanctuary. Here is the schedule.

Oct. 29: Question and Response.

Nov. 5: Grief

Nov. 12 Trauma

Nov. 19: Mission Sunday

Nov. 26: Making Plans: Hospice

Next Sunday, Nov. 5, the children will be collecting non-perishable food items for the **Moundridge Food Pantry**.

From the Search Committee: We have sent two documents to Western District. Digital copies were sent out with the church email Friday. Three printed copies are

in the church library. If you need a printed copy, contact Berni at the Church Office. Thanks for helping us with the survey and for your prayers.

Mission Sunday is Nov. 19. West Zion and First will join Eden. Michele Hershberger is the speaker. FEWZ will serve a meal following Sunday School.

OUR OUTREACH

Cradle to Crayons Fundraiser: A German meal of verenika casserole, green beans, zwieback and fruit crisp will be served Monday, Nov. 6 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Moundridge Senior Center. Dine in, carry out, and delivery available. Suggested donation is \$15. For delivery, call 620-345-2390 before 2 p.m. to schedule supper delivery (within Moundridge city limits).

The Moundridge Senior Center is looking for a director. Call the Center at 620-345-2729 for more details.

The 2023-24 **Prairie Window Concert Series** continues with Scott Mulvahill on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. Join us for an evening of great music and delicious food from Crust & Crumb in a prairie garden setting. [Purchase tickets online](#) at dyckarboretum.org or call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) to reserve your seats.

Everence will hold an informative **Medicaid and long-term care workshop** on Monday, Nov. 6, at 6:30 p.m. The in-person workshop will take place at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton, KS. The guest speaker is Cynthia A. Wiens, attorney from Adrian & Pankratz, P.A. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

M&M Project Update: SO CLOSE!! As of Oct. 16, more than \$90,000 has been raised for the Mission and Maintenance Project at Camp Mennoscah! Thank you all who have supported this effort with your prayers and your gifts! It shouldn't be long before we reach our goal of \$100,000!

An opportunity for the theatrically inclined! *Schweitzers and Friends* has commissioned a musical drama to be presented Saturday and Sunday, March 23 and 24, 2024. Are you interested in being part of a drama depicting a history of Anabaptist Mennonites? There will be an informational meeting Sunday, Nov. 12, at 2 p.m. at the Eden Mennonite Church. There are parts for children and adults, as well as a choir. Rehearsals will be twice a week beginning the last week of January (the evening that works best and Sunday afternoons). Questions: contact Jenny Schrag by text or phone 620-747-9158.

Community Thanksgiving, Inc. (McPherson) is a non-profit organization which was created for the purpose of providing a free meal to anyone in the community who does not want to celebrate the holidays alone and for those who need a good, hot meal. There is more need than ever for this service and food costs are increasing. This also creates a need for more volunteer and financial support. If you would like to donate, please send your tax-deductible contribution to: Community Thanksgiving, Inc., PO Box 14, McPherson, KS 6760. For more information or to volunteer, contact McPhersonCommunityDinners@gmail.com.

Community Peacemaker Teams (CPT) have provided resources on nonviolence that can be used when talking about the war in Gaza. You can find writings, prayers and action steps that can contribute to shepherding hard conversations about the war in Palestine/Israel and ways to be involved in proactive peacemaking [here](#).

Looking Ahead

Oct. 30: Worship Commission 7 p.m. at Eden Office

Nov. 1: Centering Prayer 1:30 p.m. at Eden Office

Nov. 1: Wednesday Nights: Meal 6 p.m. and Study 6:35 p.m. at Eden Church
Choirs – Ladies Chorus 7:30 p.m.; Chancel Choir 8 p.m. at Eden Church

Attendance Last Week: Worship: 181; Zoom: 2; SS: 153 Offering: \$9,317.78

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