#### **Eden Mennonite Church** Moundridge, Kansas

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# Beyond the Fear

**Prelude** Bo Howard

Welcome Pastor Bev Baumgartner

Congregational Prayer

God Beyond our Knowing and yet right here in our midst, let us feel your peace presiding over any fear. Guide us, Holy Spirit, Nudge us, Teacher Jesus. Love us, Holy One. Amen.

#716 Opening Song "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Time with Children Bruce and Pat Stucky

**Worship Music** "The Lord Is My Shepherd" by Steven Aldredge

Ladies Chorus with Susan Mayo, cello and Brenda Dalke, piano

Pastor Derek King

Mark 9.2-9 Scripture Reading Rachel Friesen

**Worship Music** "Faithfulness" by Thomas O. Chisholm

"Listen to Him" Message #437

Song of Response "The Lord is My Light"

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People with congregational response #744 Response: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond me fears, from death into life.

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous" (vs. 1-3) #590

**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 ten minutes after the end of the worship service.

#### Key

**KMRS**: Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale (to benefit MCC mission)

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

**MC USA:** Mennonite Church USA (Eden's national denomination) **MMN:** Mennonite Mission Network (mission agency of MC USA)

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

#### OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

## Remember In Prayer

Mary Albrecht recovering from knee surgery.

**WDC**: Pray that God would nurture faith, wisdom and spiritual growth as members and friends of WDC engage materials in the WDC Resource Library.

**MMN Service Adventure Leaders** just completed a weeklong retreat. Pray for them as they take what they experienced in worship, fellowship and discernment together to enrich their ministries in the unit, households and communities in which they live and work.

Nursery: Feb. 4: Whitney and Lance Loganbill Feb. 11: Ashley and Sam Shilts

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.

Everyone is invited to be a part of our **Year in Review Celebration**. We will gather after Sunday school **today** for a **potluck meal**. Following the meal, we will share with one another the ways that we have seen God at work in our church family over the past year.

**My Coins Count For MCC.** The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is only a couple of months away. Start gathering your coins and the kids will collect them!

**Wednesday nights at Eden.** A meal is served at 6 p.m. followed by intergenerational Bible activities from 6:45 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Nursery is provided. Please consider providing a meal and sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

Rehearsals have begun for "A Goodly Heritage: A Musical Drama Sharing a History of the Swiss Volhynian Mennonites." Jenny Schrag has written and is directing this drama along with Dawn Abrahams. Bo Howard is serving as musical director. Mark your calendars to attend the drama which will be performed at Eden Mennonite Church Saturday, March 23 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 24 at 2:00 p.m.

#### **OUR OUTREACH**

**WDC** invites you to a come-and-go **Open House** from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at the WDC office, 2517 North Main Street, North Newton, KS. Check out what's new in the Resource Library, browse the used-book sale, enjoy refreshments, chat with staff, and celebrate WDC's newly renovated office spaces!

WDC Gifts Discernment Committee Announcement is at work again seeking to identify leaders for the conference. While we always welcome any nominations or suggestions of people who might have leadership gifts to share, this year we are specifically looking again for help in discerning nominees for the role of Moderator-elect. Please prayerfully consider if there is someone in your community (or yourself) who might be called to this important leadership role in the conference. Suggestions or nominations can be shared <a href="https://example.com/here-elect.">here-elect.</a>

Fun-filled summer days await you at **Camp Mennoscah**. Campers new and old are welcome to come build their house upon the Rock while they play in the sand. Registration is now open. You will find detailed information on the Camp Mennoscah website. Brochures are available on the literature cart.

**Make Medicare an Easy Step:** Everence will hold its popular Medicare workshop at its office in North Newton on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare. The in-person workshop will be held at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B. Those interested in attending should contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

MCC Central States annual meeting is Saturday, March 2 at 10 a.m. Join the meeting in-person or virtually to hear MCC U.S. Executive Director Ann Graber Hershberger. Email <a href="mailto:centralstates@mcc.org">centralstates@mcc.org</a> if you would like the Zoom link. Or, join us at MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St in North Newton.

Mark your calendar now for the 16<sup>th</sup> annual **MCC Comforter Blitz, March 4-6,** Yoder. If you can tie a knot, you can make a difference! Curious to find out more? Please check <u>mcc.org/comforter-blitz</u> or the Kansas MCC Comforter Blitz page on Facebook. The blitz takes place on Monday, March 4 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday,

March 5 from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Wednesday, March 6 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at 3605 East Longview Rd. Haven. Questions? Please contact <u>brociamueller@mcc.org</u>.

In celebration of **Black History Month**, MC USA invites you to discover the people and events that have helped shape our denomination. Visit MC USA's African American Mennonite History Timeline here: <a href="mailto:mennonite-usa.org/african-american-mennonite-history-timeline/">mennonite-history-timeline/</a>

Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler, climate justice coordinator for Mennonite Church USA, looks at the role of **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr**. as an early leader in the environmental justice movement and provides suggested actions to honor his legacy. Read more here: <a href="mailto:mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/mlk/">mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/mlk/</a>

**Feb. 23: MCC High School Essay Contest:** Are you a youth who attends a Mennonite high school or an Anabaptist church? This is your opportunity to express your views in essay format on critical issues facing U.S. society. Submissions are due Feb. 23, and may be in English or Spanish. The grand prize is \$1000! Find out more about the high school essay contest. <a href="https://mcc.org/events/high-school-essay-contest">https://mcc.org/events/high-school-essay-contest</a> Submit essays to <a href="mailto:centralstates@mcc.org">centralstates@mcc.org</a>.

## **Looking Ahead**

- **Feb. 4:** Year in Review Celebration potluck meal after Sunday School
- **Feb. 7:** Wednesday Night meal 6 p.m.
- **Feb. 7:** Intergenerational Bible activities 6:45 p.m.
- Feb. 7: Worship Band 6:45 p.m., Ladies Chorus 7:30 p.m., Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m.

Attendance Last Week: Worship: 179 Zoom:10; SS: 107 Offering: \$5,026.62

#### **Eden Church Office**

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