Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

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Lent 6: Palm Sunday

PreludeRobin SchragWelcomePastor Derek King

Call to Worship

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, humble and riding on a donkey.

Many: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, God's light shining on us!

Many: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, showing the way of a servant.

Opening Song "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #313

Scripture Reading Mark 1:1-11 Sarah King
Time with Children Dwayne and Britney Stos

Worship Music "Jesus is Coming"

"Hallelu, Hallelu, Praise Ye the Lord"

Kids Sing, directed by Kistin Kaufman, accompanied by Candy Unrau

Scripture Reading Philippians 2:5-11 Sarah King

Message "Lights, Stage, Palms, [God's] Action!" Pastor Bev Baumgartner

Prayer of Confession

One: When we get caught up in embracing the world's power,

Many: forgive us.

One: When we lose sight of the humble donkey and put our trust in horses of war

Many: remind us of this Palm Sunday.

One: When we begin to get sucked into the darkness of the "now,"

Many: bring us once again the peace of looking toward the "not yet."

Song of Response "Holy Lord" #314

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" #316

Postlude

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)

STEPMC: Steps to End Poverty in McPherson County

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

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Those among us who are facing health concerns.

WDC: Pray for God's presence, joy and wisdom to be with WDC staff as they gather tomorrow for a staff retreat.

MMN: Pray for discernment and wisdom as the MMN board members seek God's direction and purpose at their meetings this weekend.

Nursery: Mar. 24: Brenda Dalke/Dave Stucky Mar. 31: Cindy Bartell/Alan Thomas

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 join a Sunday School class after worship. The classes and their location are posted on the information cart in the fellowship hall, by the kitchen windows, and on the wall by the bathrooms. If you are a current attendee, please invite a guest to your classroom.

Items for the **April Garden** newsletter is due to the office by March 25.

"A Goodly Heritage" is a musical drama depicting a history of the Swiss Volhynian Mennonites. Performances are Saturday, March 23 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 24, at 2 p.m. at Eden Mennonite Church, 401 18th Ave., Moundridge.

Holy Week schedule:

Holy Monday, March 25, Prayer Walk at 6:30 p.m. begin at West Zion **Maundy Thursday**, March 28 at 6:00 p.m. Meal and Communion service,

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Easter Sunrise Service, March 31 at 7 a.m. at Russ Stucky's pasture (North on 22nd, turn Right on Buckskin and go 1/2 mile. Park along the road, pasture on the North side, https://maps.app.goo.gl/jAyifHBQR9qNLzku9) Bring a lawn chair and/or blanket

Easter Worship Service, March 31, 10 a.m. Note time change, no Sunday School

The Eden Endowment Committee is pleased to disperse grant funds to individuals or organizations who work in harmony with the mission of the church. The application process is now open and we will be accepting grant requests through March 31, 2024. Printed applications can be picked up at the church (on the library table) or at the church office. You may also get in touch with the church office and request an emailed grant request. We look forward to receiving this year's grant requests! –Eden Endowment Committee

Please donate. Ann Mbugua from Kenya has been accepted at Bethel College for a Social Work degree and is planning to start fall semester 2024. She is the daughter of John Muthama, who was Jay Goering's student in Kenya and a 1977 Bethel College grad. Funds are currently at \$8,700. The goal is to reach \$12,200 in March for Ann to begin the lengthy process of acquiring a visa. An account, the Ann Mbugua Education Fund, is set up at the Citizen's State Bank, Moundridge.

OUR OUTREACH

You are invited to **STEPMC's Moundridge Getting Ahead Graduation** on Monday, March 25 at 6 p.m. at First Mennonite Church, Moundridge.

In celebration of the 499th birthday of Anabaptism, John Roth, project director of MennoMedia's Anabaptism at 500 initiative, reports on the **development of the Anabaptist Community Bible**, which is slated to be ready for readers on the 500th birthday of Anabaptism. <u>Read more.</u>

The WDC Israel Palestine Task Force and several member churches invite you, your congregation, family, friends, and allies to join in a public peace witness at Senator Jerry Moran's office in downtown Wichita on Wednesday, March 27, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

This peace witness will be centered around the theme "Send Aid, Not Bombs!" and asking Senator Moran to call for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza where 31,000+

people have been killed and 500,000+ more are suffering from imminent famine, starvation, and/or injuries. It will include praying and singing hymns together; presenting symbols of aid (bread, water, medicine, quilts, etc.) and the <u>U.S. Mennonites petition</u> for a permanent ceasefire; and finally making a direct ask for increased humanitarian aid, call for a ceasefire, a release of all the hostages and political prisoners, and an end to funding for weapons of war to Israel.

Gather at Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church, 655 S Lorraine St in Wichita, at 10 a.m. There may be a \$2-\$3 parking fee. This is a somber event, and we encourage participants to wear black. Contact Eva Lapp (574-312-0078), Bob Atchison (785-313-2292), or Kathy Neufeld Dunn (620-755-4331) for questions or to find out more.

Looking Ahead

March 25: Prayer Walk at 6:30 p.m. begin at West Zion

March 27: Worship Band 6:45 p.m.; Ladies Chorus 7:30 p.m.; Chancel Choir 8 pm

March 28: Maundy Thursday Service at 6 p.m. at Eden

Attendance Last Week: Worship: 179 Zoom: 7 SS: 112 Offering: \$13,397.94

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