Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

Prelude Bonita Howard

Welcome Pastor Derek King

Invocation #863

Opening Song "Christ is Our Cornerstone" #4

Scripture Reading Acts 17:1-10 Jenny Schrag

Worship Music "I've Got Peace Like a River"

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

Time with Children Emily Regier

Scripture Reading | I Thessalonians 1:1-10

Message Pastor Bev Baumgartner

Song of Response "Summoned by the God Who Made Us" #1

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song "There is a Wild Hope in the Wind" #828

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)
MDS: Mennonite Disaster Service (repair/rebuild homes damaged by disasters)
WDC: Western District Conference (Eden's regional conference of MC USA)

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Paula Goering and family on the death of her husband, Ken Goering.

Pastoral Search Committee as they discern calling the next associate pastor.

WDC: Pray for generous financial support for WDC congregations and their ministries, and for WDC as it equips and connects with congregations and ministry leaders across the conference.

Nursery: April 21: Kathy and Al Neufeld April 28: Sarah and Kyle 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.

Ken Goering, 85, died April 11. Funeral services were held at Eden April 20. We extend our sympathy to Paula and family.

Kids Sing Parents: All children who participate in Kids Sing will meet in the sanctuary at 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, April 24, to rehearse for choir finale, April 28. Children should be finished by 7:15 p.m. Meet in the sanctuary at 9 a.m. next Sunday morning, April 28.

Items for **The Garden** newsletter are due to the office by Thursday, April 25.

The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for Friday, April 26, from noon until 6 p.m. at the Pine Village Wellness Center. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use "Moundridge" for the sponsor code. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, call Carol at 620-345-6774 or email bczerger@mtelco.net.

The Trustees are planning a workday at the church for Saturday, May 4. Time and details provided later.

Consider Sharing Your Gift of Music! The Worship Commission is looking for persons to share their gifts of music during Sunday morning worship starting May 5 and extending through the month of August. The music may be vocal or instrumental, an individual or a group. Usually, two numbers are shared. Contact Michelle Hiebert at 620-747-2480 or mschrag12@gmail.com if you or someone you know is interested. We would love to hear you!

Children's Day will be June 2. We are looking for any children who would be interested in performing during the prelude. Please contact Ashley Stucky at 620-245-4375 if you would like to perform.

Looking for your next **Sunday School class study**? Want to read something to challenge your faith with your book club? The WDC Resource Library can help with that! There are over 70 titles available. Most titles have 10 copies. These book bundles aer available for extended checkout so your group has time to read and discuss the entire text. Visit the <u>WDC website</u> for a list of titles.

OUR OUTREACH

Earth Day Soft Plastic Recycling at MCC! April 22 is Earth Day and we invite you to start a new habit of recycling all soft plastics (plastic bags, bread bags, any plastic packaging that you can stretch) at MCC Central States in North Newton! This is a NEW and ONGOING recycling project that we are highlighting for Earth Day. Volunteers will be on hand on Monday, April 22 at the warehouse to take your soft plastic recycling and answer your questions. But going forward, you can bring your soft plastic recycling to MCC any time, placing them in the marked bin outside the warehouse. Questions, please contact duaneunruh@mcc.org.

STEPMC Taco Tuesday: Come support a worthy cause and eat good food! The Taco Fiesta will be Tuesday, April 30 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 119 North Elm St, McPherson. Lunch from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Dinner from 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Health Ministries Clinic's Community Health Banquet: Thursday, May 2 at the Meridian Center in Newton at 6 p.m. As an FQHC, Health Ministries must serve underserved patient populations, such as the poor and vulnerable. All proceeds will benefit the Mobile Clinic serving outlier areas, such as the homeless shelter or college students. The night features a meal, drinks, and a silent auction. Most importantly, our very own Sam Shilts and Petty Cash will provide the entertainment!! Tickets can be purchased for \$50 (or a discount for a table) at https://hmcks.org/community-health-banquet/.

Mennonite Church USA's Climate Justice Ministry is receiving applications for the **Pam De Young Net Zero Energy Fund grant**, from now through June 15, 2024. The Pam De Young Net Zero Energy Fund provides funds to assist MC USA congregations interested in forms of renewable energy. The term, "net zero energy," describes buildings or communities that generate enough energy to meet their own needs. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/green-energy-grants

Mennonite Church USA is seeking nominees for its 2024 **#BringThePeace awards.** The annual award is given to two honorees: a legacy peacemaker in recognition of their life's work and a young peacemaker (age 16-25), who can help inspire other young leaders. **Submit your recommendations for nominees by completing this form before April 19:** mennoniteusa.org/btp-2024-award-nominations

Mennonite Church USA is pleased to announce that the **2025 MC USA biennial** national gathering and leading faith formation event, Follow Jesus '25, will take place July 8-12, 2025, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Looking Ahead

April 22: Deacon Commission 6 p.m. at church office

April 24: Kids Sing 6:45 p.m.; Worship Band, Ladies Chorus, Chancel Choir 7 p.m.

April 27: Mental Health Training 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at church

Attendance Last Week: Worship: 204 Zoom: 7 SS: 138 Offering: \$8,017.62

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