Eden Mennonite Church Moundridge, Kansas

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Epiphany: The Journey Continues

Prelude Brenda Dalke

Welcome Pastor Derek King

Advent Candle Lighting Vance Unrau and Renae Stucky

Call to Worship

One: Jesus, grant that we may learn from you as long as we live,

Many: that we would mature in wisdom and years.

One: Just as you listened and questioned, grant us humility

Many: that we would sit among the teachers.

One: We look to you, Emmanuel.

**All: Jesus, teach us how to learn.

Opening Song "O Come, All Ye Faithful #241

Time with Children Jenny Schrag

Scripture Reading Luke 2:41-52 Aspyn Stos

Worship Music "In the Bleak Midwinter" arr. by Farnell

Ladies Chorus, Brenda Dalke, piano

Message Pastor Kenzie Internann

Song of Response "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #245

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Worship Music "Sing Now the First Noel" by North

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song "Angels We Have Heard On High" #249

Postlude

To share a financial offering, please leave your donation in the vessel on the table in the Fellowship Hall. To give online, scan the QR code on the back page.

Sunday School begins 10 minutes after the end of the worship service.

Key

MC USA: Mennonite Church USA (denominational conference)

MDS: Mennonite Disaster Service (repair/rebuild homes damaged by disasters0 **WDC**: Western District Conference (Eden's regional conference of MC USA)

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Remember In Prayer

Cindy Bartell and family, grieving the death of her mother, Leona Kaufman.

Eugene Goering recovering from heart surgery at Wesley.

Mark Rupp receiving hospice care at Pine Village.

WDC: Give thanks for the faithful prayers, financial gifts and participation of WDC members in supporting conference and congregational ministries this past year. Pray for generous contributions to WDC as the conference completes its fiscal year in January.

Nursery: Jan. 5: Larry and Carol Temple Jan. 12: Sami and Heath Doane

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.

Leona Kaufman (94) died Dec.24 at Pine Village. Services will be Monday, Jan. 13 at 10:30 a.m. at Eden. We extend our sympathy to Cindy Bartell and family.

Bring your gently used items for **Angels Attic** next week.

Commissions and committees: This is a reminder to submit your narrative and budget reports for the Annual Report book by Jan. 13.

The **Angel Tree:** If you paid for an ornament to honor a loved one and have not taken an angel from the tree, please remember to do so. The remaining angel ornaments are available for \$3. Place the money in the box by the tree and select your angel.

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) is calling for volunteers to help host the 2025 MDS Annual Celebration Feb. 14 – 15, 2025. MDS is celebrating 75 years of disaster recovery work, which began right here in Kansas. Volunteers are needed to help with meals, welcome and hospitality, driving shuttle vans between hotels and church, and helping with meeting room preparation. Please contact Jeff Koller, Tim Schrag or Wanda Kight if you can help!

BEYOND OUR COMMUNITY

Anabaptism at 500: 2025 Has Arrived! "How exciting it is, looking forward to special events and projects in 2025 commemorating the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Anabaptist movement!," reflects Heidi Regier Kreider, WDC Conference Minister, in her article by the same title. "MennoMedia is collaborating with Mennonite World Conference for the Global Anabaptist *Read-a-thon*, with 500 voices joining together to read through the entire Bible – from Genesis to Revelation – in multiple languages. As one of those 500 voices, I submitted a recording of reading several chapters of Jeremiah; I wonder what other voices from WDC will be part of the reading? The livestream of the Read-a-thon is available online beginning Jan. 18 and concluding on Jan. 21 in a live-streamed celebration in Goshen, Ind., with the reading of the final passage from Revelations and celebrating the launch of the *Anabaptist Community Bible*. Heidi highlights other *Anabaptism at 500* events scheduled throughout the year. Read the entire <u>article</u>.

Mennonite Arts Weekend: "Engaging in the Mysteries of the Creator is the theme for the Mennonite Arts Weekend, Feb.7-9, 2025, in Cincinnati, Ohio. This weekend celebrates the creativity and discipline of Anabaptist Mennonite artists. The weekend begins Friday evening with presentations and workshops and concludes with Sunday morning worship. Activities and workshops designed specifically for children are planned throughout the weekend. A nursery will be available. Saturday lunch and dinner are included. Now is the time to take advantage of the early-bird registration offer and sign up for limited spaces in workshops. Find the list of presenters, registration, location, and lodging information here.

Commemorating 500 Years of Anabaptism + Swiss Alps Tour. Sites: Lake Geneva, cliffside Murren, Mennonites near Bern, and 500-Year Celebration in Zurich. 9-day tour in late May 2025. Details and registration are coming soon. Preview the tour at www.tourwithweldon.com Interested? Contact Weldon Martens at weldon.martens@gmail.com / 402-202-9276. People who are registering with interest will receive early notification when registration opens.

Looking Ahead

Jan. 11: Leadership Retreat at Eden

Jan. 12: 9:30 a.m. Worship (Scripture: Lk. 3:1-22) / 10:40 a.m. Sunday School Jan. 19: 9:30 a.m. Worship (Scripture: Lk. 4:14-30) / 10:40 a.m. Sunday School Jan. 26: 9:30 a.m. Worship (Scripture: Lk. 5:1-11) / 10:40 a.m. Sunday School

Last Week: Attendance: 127, Zoom: 9, SS: 88

Offering: Budget: \$27,408.99 SS: (Christian Soup Ministries/Hutchinson) \$2.00

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