**First Mennonite Church of Christian**

**Pastor Peter Emery**

**Organist – Roberta Gingerich,**

**Worship Leader – Lurline Wiens**

**August 20, 2023**

**Gathering and Praising**

Prelude

Welcome

Morning Prayer

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: For Summer graces,

**People: For worship music,**

Leader: For beaches and mountains and flowers,

**People: For prayers asked and answered,**

Leader: For a sense of peace,

**People: And a sense of hope:**

Leader: for all these things we give thanks

***All: And worship the One who gives them to us.***

*\*Hymn –“The Love of God” VT #162*

 *“Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord” VT #131*

Scripture – Psalm 100

**Receiving God’s Word**

Musical Service Sam Shilts

**Sharing with One Another**

Sharing Joys and Prayer Requests

Prayer of the Church

**Going in God’s Name**

*\*Sending Song –“Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace” VT #719*

*\*Benediction*

Postlude

*\*Those who are able are invited to stand*

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**Moundridge, KS**

**A Welcoming Community of Christians for Peace**

**August 20, 2023**

**PRAYER PLACES/JOYOUS JOURNEYS**

**Jim Schroeder,** Jim Gehring’s son in law died. Continue to pry for Helen (Gehring) & Jim’s family in their loss.

**Lu Goering’s** brother, Clifford Schmidt passed away this past week. Pray for Lu.

**Continue** to pray for Ann Storer.

**Pray for fire victims** in south west United States and Canada.

**Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the battle is not yours, but God’s. 2 Chronicles 20:15**

If you have prayer requests or items of joy, contact one of the Care Team members so we can add those requests as needed. Members are: Pat Krehbiel, Dwight Goering or Cheri Kaufman.

Opportunities

**Today:** 9:30: Fellowship time in First Perk

 10:30: Worship Service

**August 23:** Deacons, 1:30 pm

 Church Board, 7:30 pm

**August 24:** First Day of school for Moundridge

**September 3:** Sunday School starts, 9:30 am

**September 10:** Picnic at Pack Park, 5:30 pm

**Sunday, August 27: Organist – Hazel Voth, Worship Leader – Rita Stucky, Special Music – Gin Niehage**

Put away the sword.  Those who live by the sword will die by the sword.
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**Announcements**

**Support Youth: Anyone Can Do It!** We are getting ready for another year of Jr. FEWZ (6th-8th grade) and FEWZ (9th-12th grade) and would love whatever help you might be able to offer. If committing to be a sponsor for the year is too much for you, would you consider something just as helpful, but less time consuming? We would love for individuals or groups who could: manage our financial books, coordinate meals, Bible teach on occasion, share their faith story, plan a service project, etc. If there is something on that list that you could do (or anything else you could offer), please contact Pastor Derek (dking@edenmennonite.org)

**The Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for August 25 at 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. at the Pine Village Wellness Center.
For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org/) and use "Moundridge" for the sponsor code.
Thanks for your support and if you have a question, call Jerry at 501-388-0177 or email jerryschrag@gmail.com.

**The Life Enrichment program** will begin on August 23 and end on

November 15. This series is designed for adults age 60 and over. A

brochure with the schedule is on the south bulletin board but can also be found online at [www.bethelks.edu/life-enrichment](http://www.bethelks.edu/life-enrichment).

**The MCC School Kit Challenge** is going strong, thank you for helping us meet our goal of gathering 10,000 school kits in the month of August! Did you know that school kits now include 4 new blue or black ballpoint pens? The MCC material resources center in North Newton is very low on pens and notebooks. Please keep these needs in mind as you see these items for sale this month. Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact katemast@mcc.org or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents and other challenge resources can be found at [mcc.org/school-kit-challenge](https://mcc.org/school-kit-challenge).

**Fri., Aug. 25** – “Drinking from a New Well,” ceramics by Tom and Pam Voth, opens in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College (reception Sept. 21). Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-4 p.m. SAVE THE DATES: Sun., Sept. 10, Dr. Caleb Stephens presents his film *Eat, Protest, Lift*, and a convocation lecture Mon., Sept. 11, at Bethel College.

**The August edition of On the Level** is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: We have the latest information from Maui on the devastating wildfires; learn about the power of family love; and learn about new ways to get involved with MDS by exploring Beyond the Project. **Click on this link to read more:**[**https://conta.cc/3E1RVV3**](https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=00171BDvfU_a7DA4-4PsMOiZUWNl3fE_5rTFLC8zMgU3dkrffOprYprEjfOfjibnmkGvAVXexMBE9ZkPdGP8hfr2b-Tyt_iafSfO5jSWwd0LN5MHZ0O2ZtJcUTbVt7-Cej4bWsbmJKlO_b8bcB1coY_2A==&c=7Wq5dgJRTbgcVBHfYSlHVZH5GFPMJJc6q1hFhguMQRFsA9E2lu0nHQ==&ch=4wAutbPvkTzKYHIdMVZVE96WmrTsT7Rn6O2HHrkMVd6w6rjhKzik5Q==)

**Save the date!  Camp Mennoscah** will host a kick off event to celebrate our 75th Anniversary on September 23!  There will be a day of fun activities down by the river, so mark your calendars now!  Watch Camp Mennoscah's website - [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org/) - for more details as the date approaches!

**Everyone is invited to Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church** (43 13th Ave, Inman) on Saturday, Sept 2 for our Community Fun Night! The Fun will begin at 5:30 pm with a free cornhole tournament (arrive early, limited to 18 teams), inflatables, face painting, a car show, and food for sale.  Tom Gaeddert (Faith Mennonite, Newton) will provide live music from 6:30 - 7:30 pm and the evening will end with a movie on the lawn at dusk.  This year's movie will show you a whole new world with a little magic.  Come celebrate the end of summer with friends and fun at Hoffnungsau.