

West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 am: Sunday School 10:30 am: Morning Worship

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Words for silent meditation: My hope is in you all day long (Psalm 25:5)

Prelude Carla Stucky

Welcome and Call to Worship Psalm 25:1-10 Brad Roth
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Announcements Brad
Greeting in Christ's Peace

****Celebrating in Song** Praise to the Lord HWB 36
Praise, I will praise you, Lord HWB 76

Our Father, which art in heaven STJ 48

Scripture 1 Peter 5:6-11 Harvey Thiessen
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Jesus, we are here STJ 6

Message "Take it to Pops" (*Lord, teach us to pray*, no.2) Brad Roth

Song of Response "I cast all my cares upon you"

I cast all my cares upon you.
I lay all of my burdens down at your feet
And anytime I don't know what to do
I will cast all my cares upon you.

Offering Carla

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** We will walk with God STJ 78

****Benediction**

Postlude Carla

****All who are able, please stand**

A Word about Our Worship. We conclude our service with the words "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." We go in peace because Christ goes with us, and we walk confidently with him.

Sermon notes

Take it to Pops
1 Peter 5:6-11

Theme

Jesus invites us to take our worries to the Father.

Notes

A Prayer

Strong God, give us the courage to entrust our deepest worries into your mighty hands, that you might restore us to peace and set us on a firm foundation.

Our Father who art in heaven;
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin
against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever.
Amen

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Our Mission : “To be a caring congregation sharing a message of hope, salvation, and love to all people so that they might become disciples of Jesus Christ”

West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.

Check the bulletin board for more announcements

1. Information and registration forms about the **Year of the Bible Launch** are on the bulletin board.

2. The 2013 **Women's and Girls Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah is Sept. 6-8. This year's retreat features a Friday evening fashion show (courtesy of Newton Et Cetera Shop) and dessert. Denise Nickel is the presenter for the main sessions on Sat. and Sun. The theme is "Serving Creates Lifelong Memories". The weekend includes seminars, Campfire singing with Tammy Duvanel Unruh, music with "Cousins 4, and special activities for girls grades 3-12. More info, along with registration is posted on the bulletin board.

3. Read a Good Book Now

After reading so many wonderful books, which have inspired me and challenged me in my life's journey, I wish to share a few with you. Dr. Seuss in his book, Oh the Places You'll Go, writes "Congratulations! Today is Your Day! You're off to great places! You're off and away!" the journey through books is so wonderful. Here are three books that have blessed me.

Paul Stutzman wrote in his book Hiking Through, "It took me through many terrains from the highest mountain to the lowest valley." The Appalachian Trail extends over 2000 miles from Georgia to the New England States. Since he recently lost wife, the hiking appealed to him and enabled him to work through his sorrow. He kept notes of experiences meeting up with varied weather, nights lodging, and people he encountered on his hike. It was so incredible. The book, Hiking Through, by Paul Stutzman is a must for everyone to read. Another book, The Road Home, by Tommy Tenny and Mark Andrew Olsen is a simple drive home, but the journey home becomes a journey of the soul. This tale is a modern retelling of Ruth's ancient story. You must know the Biblical account of Ruth and Naomi in the Old Testament's book of Ruth to compare the stories. This account of the modern version and comparison to the Biblical account is truly amazing. A must reading for everyone.

The third book about traveling is written by Bill Graham entitled Nearing Home. As we age we know that heaven is getting nearer each day. This book isn't just written for aging folks, but for people at every stage of life who never thought much about growing older. One needs to prepare for the challenges of old age before they arrive.

Life's journey is over for all of us some day...in that sense we are all nearing home. A must for all. Happy Reading. Lois Thiessen

General Announcements

4. **Shaped by God's Story: Word and Spirit in the Book of Acts** is the theme of this year's Western District Conference Annual Assembly held August 2-3 at Bethel College in N. Newton. The Assembly takes place immediately after the Year of the Bible Launch. We continue to focus on the Scriptures as a starting place for discerning how to live as Anabaptist Mennonites. Loren Johns will provide insights during worship services based on Acts 2, 20, 15. More information about the assembly is on the bulletin board.

5. **Pine Village** will host its second Dementia Educational Series beginning August 6. This six session series focus on how dementia works, its stages, and resources available for caregivers and family members. **Note that the time is changed to the evening.** Series dates include: Aug. 6, 20, Sept. 3, 17, and Oct. 8 & 22, all are from **7-8 pm.** in the Pine Village Wellness Center. Call [620.345.2901](tel:620.345.2901); or visit www.pinevillageks.org to sign up.

6. **Thank you for your support** and prayers as MCC continues to respond to the crisis in Syria in the name of Christ. Recently, containers with MCC relief supplies made it into Syria for the second time in three months. School kits, hygiene kits, blankets, food and other items are currently being distributed.

7. Pine Village will host its annual **Benefit Day Variety Show** on **Sun., July 28** at the Wellness Center. The evening begins at 6 pm. and includes performances by MHS Students Chase Stucky-guitar, Tyler Kaufman-trombone, and Elizabeth Schrag performing a forensics skit. Other performers are the McKinney's, Carley Bartell, Moundridge Senior Singers, Sandy Miller-oboe, and Rachel Knight-saxophone. The free will donation will go towards the 2013 Benefit Day Project – wrapping up funding for the widening of 17th Street.

Upcoming Benefit Day events:

Bierock Dinner – August 23

September 26 – Walk-A-Thon

September 27-28 – Garage and Bake Sale

October 17 – Benefit Day Dinner & Auction

~We Wish "**Happy Birthday**" this week

July 14: Carla Rupp
July 15: Gilbert Koehn
July 17: Dave Wedel
July 18: Connie Graber
July 19: Brad Hagen
July 20: Ruth Galle

~ We Wish "**Happy Anniversary**" this week

July 16: Kenneth (II) & Kathryn Krehbiel
Mike & Connie Kaufman
July 20: Michelle & Troy Helm

Joys and Concerns

Thank You

I had an appointment with Dr. Amirani, the cardiologist, last week and he told me everything looked good and I would not need to return for 6 months, unless something happens. I am sure it was all the prayers said on my behalf that made the difference. Again, I thank you all for those prayers, calls, cards and well wishes. Frances Neufeld

Mission Partners' Prayer Requests:

Dina and Masoud make a decision to follow Jesus
Christian testimony films is completed in time to air during
Ramadan
Partners in neighboring country receive God's guidance in the
emergent ministry
People in Saudi Arabia are able to worship together publicly
Jeannie and Wayne have a refreshing and meaningful time in
the states.

Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Today, 40 youth complete a three-day *Sirviendo a Cristo* (Serving Christ) seminar, organized by the Bolivia Mennonite Church, a MMN partner, to deepen faith and prepare for mission. Pray that the youth find joy as they serve in their congregations and their communities.

Prayer requests from Western District Conference

Pray for Brian Harmon, the new pastor of First Mennonite Church, Halstead, as he is commissioned today.

Attendance: Sunday School- 13

Worship- 73

Next Week – July 21

9:30 am: Sunday School

Worship Leader:

Message: Brad Roth

Pianist/Organist: Luke Loganbill

Greeters: Harvey & Lois Thiessen

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, & Chase Stucky

10:30 am: Worship Service

Music: Becky Pohl

Scripture Reader: Brad Roth

Coming Events

July 16: Women's Bible Study 9-10:30 am

July 21: Workshop during SS, "Sharing our faith--everyday evangelism"

July 23: Women's Bible Study 9-10:30 am

July 28-Aug 2: Becky Cooking at Senior High Camp @ Mennoscah
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