

16. Sunday, Nov. 3 – Bethel College Men’s Ensemble fall concert, 2 pm., Administration Building chapel; Bethel College Women’s Chorus fall concert, 4 pm., Bethel College Mennonite Church

17. Sun., Oct. 27-Tues., Oct. 29 – Bethel College’s Menno Simons Lectures with Marlene Epp, professor at Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, Ontario, speaking on the overall topic “The Semiotics of Zwieback, Sauerkraut and Spring Rolls: Mennonites and Foodways.” Oct. 27 lecture, 3:30 pm., Bethel College Mennonite Church (**note change in time and location**); Oct. 28 lectures at 11 am. and 7 pm., Krehbiel Auditorium; Oct. 29 lecture, 7 pm., Krehbiel Auditorium.

18. Women of Faith Revival 2014. Information about the revival is on the bulletin board. **Deadline for registration is Oct. 25.**

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Our Mission : God calls us into community to worship God and follow Jesus through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.
Check the bulletin board for more announcements.

1. **West Zion Mennonite Church Concert Series** continues **Tonight**, Sunday evening, Oct. 20, at 7 pm. Featured performers include Kenneth Rodgers, The Sunflower Trio, Open Road, a men's acapella vocal group from Bethel College; and Donna Stucky. A free-will offering will be received during the concert and after the concert there is a time of fellowship, with refreshments served. More information is posted on the bulletin board.

2. **From Pastor Brad and Lici:** Many thanks to West Zion for your positive vote last week to sell us the parsonage. We're looking forward to becoming homeowners and building equity toward our family's future. Blessings!

3. **MCC meat canning is Wed Oct 23.** Sign- up sheets for workers are on the table in the foyer. Anyone wishing to make a donation for meat canning should designate checks to MCC meat canning and place it in the offering plate.

4. **Harvest Thanks Sunday** is coming Oct 27. This will be a three-church service at Eden with First and West Zion Mennonite churches equally participating. The guest speaker is Brett Klingenberg, Pastor of First Mennonite Church of Beatrice, NE. The theme is vibrant ministry in the heartland. Eden's offering will go towards the Mission and Outreach and Denominational and Conference sections of Eden's unified budget. Sunday school is a Q and A session in the sanctuary for everyone. At noon there is a fundraiser meal for the youth activities of our three congregations.

5. **Oct. 27, 5-7 - Family Meeting:** The Art of Sharing Your Faith. Come join us for pizza and an interactive night of exploring how we share our faith with others!

6. With Christmas just around the corner, it is time to start planning for the annual **Christmas Eve program**. We are looking for a few good men and women who are willing to serve on the Christmas Eve program. We are an equal opportunity employer, no applicants turned away and no previous experience is needed. All eager volunteers can apply for the position by seeing Connie Kaufman.

7. West Zion has been asked to provide **instant potatoes** for the Christmas Baskets that the Moundridge Food Pantry hand out to Food Pantry clients. Thanks to the generosity of the area churches, almost 30 baskets were handed out in 2012. Beginning Sunday, Oct. 20 – Nov. 17, bring the potatoes and place them in the box in the foyer.

8. West Zion needs a MCC contact couple or person – starts Oct. See Sharon Gehring or a council member if interested.

9. **Christian Homemakers** will meet on Thur. Oct. 24. We are making fleece throws for SRS children. If you would like to come early we will start at 5 pm. Anyone interested is welcome to join us.

10. On **November 17** we will be taking a **special offering** (as part of our regular offering for the church) to support the work of the **Moundridge Associated Churches**. Associated Churches forwards the mission of God in our community through the Senior Center, Youth Ministries, Food Pantry, Angel's Attic, and Cradle to Crayons.

General Announcements

11. **Life Enrichment at Bethel** Oct.23

9:30 *What's New at Newton Medical Center*, Steve Kelly

10:35 **Double Session**, *Marathon on Mt Everest: How Hare Can it Be?* Kay Cherryholmes

12. **Cradle to Crayons** is doing an improvement project on our playground and we asking for volunteers to help. We have several days you can come. We work on Thur. the 24th, Fri. the 25th at 4 pm. We will work all day Saturday the 26th from 8 am. until hopefully we finish. If you would like to volunteer to help one of the days or all of the days give Christina Graber a call at [620-345-2390](tel:620-345-2390) or email her at cradletocrayons@mtelco.net.

13. ***The Church and homosexuality: A Conversation that can hold us together*** is the theme of the upcoming Western District Conference Reference Council **Sat., Oct. 26, 8:30 am – 5 pm** at Faith Mennonite 2100 N. Anderson, Newton. More information is on the bulletin board.

14. Ruth Yoder Wenger presents "Bridging the gap: Stories of peace and hope in a broken world" at 7 p.m., Tues., Oct. 29, at Hesston Mennonite Church. A seasoned educator, director of training for National Disaster Interfaiths Network and pastor of the North Bronx Mennonite Church, Yoder Wenger will share stories from her

experiences in a variety of settings including 9/11. Hesston College invites everyone to attend.

15. After being in business for over thirty years, The Newton Ten Thousand Villages store is closing its doors for the last time on Oct. 30th. We wish to sincerely thank all of our loyal customers. Starting Oct. 19, items in the store will be reduced 50% storewide, with the exception of some food items. Please stop by for savings and to say goodbye. Also, please continue supporting fair trade by shopping at the Hutchinson, Lawrence or Overland Park stores. You may also shop online at www.tenthousandvillages.com

~We Wish "**Happy Birthday**" this week
October 21: Ronald Schmidt & Pete Koehn
October 23: Kathryn Krehbiel
October 25: Tim Diehl

~We Wish "**Happy Anniversary**" this week
October 23: Gary & Doris Stucky
October 25: Lyle & Joyce Koehn

Joys and Concerns

Keep in your prayers

- Pat Stucky, recovering after surgery
- Dorothy Toews, recovering after surgery
- Nancy Ottley, recovering after surgery

Update from our mission partners in Arabian Peninsula

Praises:

Safe trip to Egypt

New-experienced International Director of their field organization

Concerns:

Media team's loss of a member from car accident

Youth who are thinking for themselves, rejecting Islam, turning to

Atheism

Christians who are being attacked

Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Pray for smooth adjustments and joy as MMN's Service Adventure unit leaders and participants settle into their new communities in Anchorage, Alaska; Colorado Springs, Colo.; Raleigh, N.C.; Albuquerque, N.M.; Albany, Ore.; and Johnstown, Pa.

Prayer requests from Western District Conference

Pray for the spiritual vigor and leadership vision of our WDC ministry staff: Marlene Bogard, Minister of Christian Formation; Gilberto Flores, Associate Conference Minister; Dwight Regier, Youth Ministry Network Team Leader; and Clarence Rempel, Conference Minister.

Attendance: Sunday School-34

Worship-74

Next Week – October 27

9:30 am: Harvest Festival @ Eden Mennonite, with speaker Brett Klingenberg. This is a combined worship service of Eden, First, and West Zion.

10:40 am: Sunday school is a Q and A session in the sanctuary for everyone

12:00 pm: Chili and Cinnamon Roll fundraiser for the Youth

West Zion Family Meeting & pizza dinner: 5-7 pm, "The Art of Sharing Your Faith", at West Zion.

Coming Events

Oct. 20: West Zion Music Concert 7 pm

Oct. 22: Worship Team Meeting 3-4 pm

Oct. 23: 5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm

Oct. 23: Meat Canning

Oct. 24: Christian Homemakers work night 5 pm

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Nov. 2: Daylight Saving Time Ends, Fall Back

Nov. 10: Noon Meal followed by the Budget Meeting

