

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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World Communion Sunday

Words for silent meditation: *How can we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land? (Psalm 137:4)*

Prelude Donna Stucky

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! STJ 11

Welcome and Call to Worship HWB 659 Pastor Brad

Greeting in Christ's Peace

****Celebrating in song** My soul is filled with joy STJ 13

Somos pueblo que camina STJ 8

Scripture Psalm 137 Pastor Brad

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My faith has found a resting place STJ 43

Scripture Luke 14:15-24 Pastor Brad

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Message "Go out!" Pastor Brad

Song of Response Grant us, Lord, the grace HWB 388

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Announcements

Anointing of those in need

Prayers of the People

I come with joy to meet my Lord HWB 459

Celebration at the Lord's Table

A Word About Our Worship: The Scriptures instruct us to sing "psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs" (Eph. 5:19), that's why we sing together in our worship. Antiphons give us a way to sing the psalms.

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.

Amen.

****Sending Song** The Lord lift you up STJ 73

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

Sermon Notes

Go out!

Luke 14:15-24

Theme

Jesus sends us out to proclaim our faith.

Notes

A Prayer

God who invites us to join you at your table, nourish us to love your will and ways, as you send us out as a blessing in the world.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

18. **Sun., Oct. 13 – Reinhild K. Janzen** will speak on “Art Born of the Great Depression: Newton’s ‘Mennonite Settler’ and Roosevelt’s New Deal,” **3:30 p.m., Kauffman Museum** (in conjunction with the current special exhibit “Art that Worked: WPA Art in Newton 1935-43”).

19. The **Mothering Mennonite Symposium, Saturday, Oct. 26 at Bethel College**, is a day of readings, presentations, conversations and panel discussions on what it means to “mother” in a Mennonite context, based on a new book of the same title co-edited by Rachel Epp Buller and Kerry Fast. Topics include Old Colony mothers, gender roles and stereotypes, mothers in the mission field, infertility, sexuality, step-mothering and other-mothering. Speakers include Ellen Awe, Kendra Burkey, Kerry Fast, Hannah Heinzekehr, Mary Herr, Marissa King, Audrey Roth Kraybill, Stephanie Krehbiel, Karen LeVan, Bill Loewen, Jessica Penner and Kimberly Schmidt. Cost for the day is \$10, including lunch, with a **pre-registration deadline of Oct. 15** to mennomother@gmail.com.

20. Volunteers needed at **Newton Et Cetera Shop!** Morning, afternoon, or evening slots available. Volunteer with a friend, mentor/mentee, or family member, and have fun serving MCC and the local community together. Email newtonetc@sbcglobal.net or call 283-9461 to help.

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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. The **New Constitution** passed by 98% at the special meeting last Sunday. The council will work with the nominating committee to transition to the new structure. The new Constitution will take effect with the voting at the Annual business meeting in January.
2. **Oct. 13** - we will have a special congregational meeting immediately following the service. Brad and Lici have approached the trustees about purchasing the parsonage. Trustees have presented a proposal to Church Council which they have approved. This proposal will also need to be approved by the congregation. Presentation and vote will both be held on Oct 13th.
3. Today is World Communion Sunday. At our celebration at the Lord's Table today, we remember in particular Christians who live and worship in Syria. Syria plays a big role in the history of our faith. Paul met the Lord as he travelled to Damascus, the capital of Syria. Followers of Jesus were first called "Christians" in Antioch (Acts 11:26), a city located in ancient Syria (now in modern-day Turkey). Approximately 10% of the population of Syria is Christian, though since the start of the civil war, some 450,000 Christians have fled their homes. Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) has worked with partners in Syria since the 1980s. In the context of this ongoing violence, MCC has distributed blankets, food, and kits through these partners. More information is available at: <http://www.mcc.org/middleeastcrisis>.
4. **Leonard Loganbill** will be 80 on Monday, Oct. 14. His family invites you to come and celebrate with them on Sunday, Oct.13 at the Wellness Center of Pine Village, from 2:00-4:00. Hope to see you then!
5. The book "**Between a Rock and a Grace Place**" is now available for checkout at our West Zion library. It is the true story of Jason Kent, a U.S. Naval Academy officer, who is in prison for life without the possibility of parole for murder. His mother, Carol Kent, authored the book and teaches how we can find divine surprises in the tight spots of life. A group of women studied the book this past summer and would recommend it as an amazing story of grace and a new way to find faith, joy and purpose in hard times. It includes letters from her

son, Jason, in prison, who continues to be a strong believer and changes lives of those around him in maximum security.

6. **October 27, 5:00-7:00 - 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!
7. 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.
8. West Zion needs a MCC contact couple or person – starts Oct. See Sharon Gehring or a council member if interested.
9. **Pine Village Benefit meal** is Thursday, October 17. Our congregation is responsible for eight pies. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Bring pies to the Wellness Center by 2:30 pm. on **Thurs. Oct 17**.
10. **CHANGE –** Christian Homemakers will not meet on Thursday, Oct. 10. Due to several conflicts the date has been changed to Thur. Oct. 24. We will be 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.
11. The New Address for Isaac & Lisa Schrock is 1030 E. Court St. Apt. 14, Iowa City, IA 52240.

General Announcements

12. **Life Enrichment at Bethel** Oct 9
9:30 *The Transformative Potential of the Labyrinth*, Gerry Epp
10:35 *What's Where When You're Not There*, Jennifer Stultz
11:30 *Syrian Update*, Eldon Wagler
13. Today is **Christopher Shaw's** organ recital 4 pm. The recital is at Plymouth Congregational Church, 202 N. Clifton Ave., Wichita, KS. . There is no admission charge, a reception will follow.
14. The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is Mon., Oct. 14 from 1:30-6 pm at Pine Village Wellness Center. Visit recrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins welcome.

15. The **Gospel Echoes Team Annual Banquet** is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 7, 6:30 pm @ Journey at Yoder. Ticket, and information about the evening are posted on the bulletin board.

16. **Dyck Arboretum** hosts its 2nd Annual Prairie Pumpkin Festival on Sat., Oct. 12 from 9 am.- 8 pm. Admission costs, good for all day, are \$4 adults and \$2 children ages 3 to 15 years old. Members of the arboretum, students and seniors enjoy a \$1 per person discount on admission. Admission fees cover participation in a variety of activities. Purchase of pumpkins, the barrel train, the hedgeapple launcher, and purchase of items from vendors are not included. Volunteers are needed and will receive free admission. Contact the arboretum at 620-327-8127 for information on volunteering.

17. **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.

~We Wish "**Happy Birthday**" this week
October 6: Kay Vieyra & J.B. Huxman
October 10: Sarah Pohl
October 12: Ellen Kaufman

~We Wish "**Happy Anniversary**" this week
October 9: William & Lori Schmidt

Joys and Concerns

Dorothy Toews, going in to Newton Medical Center for kidney surgery on Tuesday 10/8

The Kukuk family and their son Tyler, born prematurely

Evelia (Eduardo and Fabi's mom) suffering from back pain after a fall

Nancy Ottley going in for neck surgery in Salina on October 10

Becky Pohl going in for hernia surgery in Mercy Oct. 11.

Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network

A series of Masters' level theology courses begins today in Ukraine. Pray for Mary Raber of MMN as she helps to coordinate this learning experience for the next 10 days. Pray that she has time and energy to relate to her students and continue her teaching and writing responsibilities.

Prayer requests from Western District Conference

Nathan Koontz, is installed today as an Associate Pastor with a focus on pastoral care at First Mennonite Church, Hutchinson, KS.

Attendance: Sunday School- 34

Worship- 79

Next Week – October 13

9:30 am: Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship Service

Worship Leader: Brad Roth

Message: Brad Roth

Scripture Reader: Karen Loganbill

Music: Chancel Choir

Pianist/Organist: Donna Stucky

Greeters: Rich & Margie Huxman

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Coming Events

- Oct. 9: 5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm.
- Oct. 16: 5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm, Church Council 8 pm
- Oct. 17: Benefit Day Dinner and Auction at Pine Village
- 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
- Oct. 27: 9:30 AM, Harvest Festival @ Eden Mennonite, with speaker Brett Klingenberg. This is a combined worship service of Eden, First, and West Zion. Meal following
- Oct. 27: 5-7 pm - Family Meeting: The Art of Sharing Your Faith
- Oct. 30: 5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm
- Nov. 10: Budget Meeting

