

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth (Psalm 124:8).*

Prelude Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle Mason

Announcements

Vocal call to worship O Magnify the Lord Sam Shilts
by Dick and Melodie Tunney

Welcome and call to worship Psalm 124 (on screen) Pastor Brad
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Greetings in Christ's Peace

****Celebrating in song** Sing praise to God who reigns HWB 59

Presentation of Bibles to children

I love to tell the story HWB 398

Scripture Exodus 33 Zettie Wedel
Pg 87

Preschool Children dismissed to Little Flock

Special Music Sam Shilts

Message "go" Pastor Brad

Song of Response Now go forward HWB 399

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** You shall go out with joy HWB 427

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, & Tim Diehl

Jr. Usher: Mateo Roth

Sermon Notes

go
Exodus 33

Theme

God sends us out in mission.

Key Verse

(Exodus 33:1) The LORD said to Moses, "Leave this place, you and the people you brought up out of Egypt, and go up to the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.'"

Notes

A Prayer

God who sends us out from worship to bear fruit for your Kingdom, empower and sanctify us as we live your Way in the world.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

15. Support the MCC Bike Hike! Sept. 4, 5, 6 and 7, thirty people from Colorado, South Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, Kansas, Iowa and Illinois will meet in the Black Hills to participate in a 175 mile bike ride or 40 mile hike to raise money for MCC's Indigenous Vision Center. You are invited to support the rider or hiker of your choice by pledging per mile or per participant. Names of participants are on the bulletin board. Checks can be sent to MCC Central States, PO Box 235, N. Newton, KS 67117. Please mark the check with participant's name (if applicable) and Bike/Hike. Contact Elizabeth Janssen at 605-925-4859 orelizabethjanssen@mcc.org with questions.

16. The annual MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride is Sat. Sept. 20, beginning at the MCC offices 121 E 30th street N. Newton. This year's ride raises funds for an MCC water development project in Kenya. Rides of approximately 35, 45, and 65 miles, as well as a shorter family ride is planned. A brochure is on the bulletin board and also available at, mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride.

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

Pastor Brad Roth

Pastor's Office hours: Tues. and Wed. 10 am -12:30 pm

Thurs. 1-4 pm

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West Zion Announcements

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

2. Starting August 31, Pastor Brad will be leading us in a study of the Letter of James for adult SS.

3. Our summer Children's Church program is being transformed for the fall! We're gearing it toward preschool children and calling it "Little Flock" (see Luke 12:32). Children leave after the Scripture reading and are picked up by their parents after church. The format is very simple and focused on providing a safe space for kids to encounter God and allowing parents to fully enter into worship. Are you willing to help? Talk to Zettie Wedel.

4. On September 28, Pastor Brad and family will be out for a short vacation trip. Matt Lehman of Mennonite Mission Network will bring the message.

5. Christian Homemakers will meet *Thursday, Sept. 11, at 7 PM* for a work night. We will put together school kits for MCC. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

6. Please fill out the Western District Conference survey before the Sept. 21 congregation meeting. You can view the survey online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WDCopinion> or request a paper copy from Karen Loganbill or Pastor Brad.

On **September 21**, our congregation will hold a meeting where we can listen to each other and share about our experiences and convictions regarding how the church relates to homosexual folks. More information will follow.

7. Is anyone interested in attending a **conference** in Hutchinson given by **Kathy Troccoli, singer, author and speaker, on hope**? It is Sept 26 from 7-9 PM and Sat Sept 27 from 9-12:30. Cost is \$29 if 10 people sign up, \$33 each if less than 10. See Carla if interested for more information or go to www.amongfriendsconference.com.

General Announcements

8. The Moundridge Senior Center Annual Benefit Fish Fry, is Tues., Aug. 26 from 5-7 PM at the Moundridge Senior Center. The menu includes fresh fried fish, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, homemade rolls homemade pies, and ice cream. No reservations needed. Everyone is welcome. The proceeds will help

pay for the renovation projects in the kitchens, bathrooms and quilt room. Donations appreciated. There are matching funds from the McPherson County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

9. Pine Village Garage Sale is Sept. 26-27. Donations are accepted again this year. Begin cleaning out store rooms and garages of items you no longer use and donate them to the benefit Garage Sale. The only items that will not be accepted are adult clothes. All proceeds go towards the remodeling of the outdated bathing rooms in The Neighborhoods. More information to come.

10. Women and money is a series of lunchtime presentations (noon to 1 p.m.) coordinated by Everence, scheduled for four Wednesdays – Sept. 3, 10, 17 and 24 – at Hesston Public Library. Topics are "Taking the lead – women in the modern-day workplace," "Living generously – within your means," "Leaving something – for those you leave behind" and "Investing in your future – avoid the bag lady blues." Light lunch will be served. To reserve a spot, contact Darlene Buller of Everence at [\(620\) 327-4043](tel:6203274043) or darlene.buller@everence.com

11 A faith-based way to invest

Everence, a financial services organization based on the idea that it is possible to incorporate your faith and values with your decisions about money.

One of the ways Everence helps people fulfill that call is through an investment approach known as stewardship investing. Stewardship investing is a philosophy of financial decision making motivated and informed by faith convictions. It balances social and financial considerations. Key components in the Everence stewardship investing philosophy include company screening, shareholder advocacy and community development investing. Go to www.everence.com if you are interested in learning more about the faith-based approach to investing.

12. Getting ready to retire?

Everence Financial presents an informational seminar, Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare choices at 4 PM and 7 PM on four upcoming Mondays – Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3 and Dec. 8. Everence Financial Advisor Robert Wall and Financial Representative Megan Smith speak on Medicare, provide instructions on how to enroll, explain your options if you continue to work and answer related questions. The seminars take place at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old

Highway 81, Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Darlene Buller at [\(877\) 467-7294](tel:8774677294), [\(620\) 327-4043](tel:6203274043) or darlene.buller@everence.com.

13. Mennonite Central Committee would like to invite you on a Learning Tour to Kenya. On February 7-17, 2015, you will discover, first-hand, Sand Dams at work and see other MCC supported programs in the areas of health, education and peace. The estimate cost is \$1110 per person, which includes food, lodging, and in-country transportation. Airfare needs to be purchased separately. Space is very limited. For more information contact Anna Yoder by Mon. Sept. 22, at annayoder@mcc.org or 316.283.2720.

14. The [FloraKansas Fall Plant Sale](#) is Sept. 5-7, at Dyck Arboretum in Hesston. Kansas' largest native plant sale offering many species of wildflowers and grasses many of which are rare in cultivation. A large selection of adaptable perennials is also available. Memberships can be purchased on the day of the sale and participate in the members only sale on Thursday, Sept. 4, 1 to 7 PM. Current Dyck Arboretum members receive a 10% discount at all arboretum plant sales. For more information, call [620-327-8127](tel:6203278127) or visit www.dyckarboretum.org.

~ Wish “**Happy Birthday**” this week

August 26: Tiffany Regehr

August 28: Bob Loganbill

Joys and Concerns

Students and teachers going back to school.

Kathy Hayes, recovering after knee surgery at home

Ariane Bergen and family as Ariane prepares to return to MCC service in Nicaragua.

Sharron Kempf, having a tumor removed from her finger on Tuesday.

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Today, MMN begins a two-week orientation in Los Angeles for two new Radical Journey teams. Pray for openness to learn and for grace in this time of transition, as participants prepare to leave for their assignment locations in Indonesia and South Africa.

Prayer Requests from Western District Conference

Pray for the Discernment Task Force of WDC as they compile hundreds of survey returns in response to the resolution from Rainbow Mennonite Church and prepare to lead the Nov. Reference Council.

Attendance: Sunday School: 21 Worship: 62

Sunday- August 31

9:30 am: Sunday School

Worship Leader: Karen Loganbill

Message: Pastor Brad

Candle Lighter: Mateo Roth

Greeters: Randy Kessler & Aline Bachman

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, & Vicky Kessler

Jr. Usher: Kaleigh Guhr

10:30 am: Worship Service

Scripture: Connie Kaufman

Accompanist: Carla Stucky

Coming Events

Sept. 3: Deacon Meeting 4:30 PM, Mission Team 7 PM

Sept. 10: Christian Discipleship Team 7 PM

Sept. 11: Christian Homemakers –Work night 7 PM

Sept. 17: Church Council 8 PM

Sept. 28: Sunday School Picnic @ Lohrenz cabin 5 PM,
(note new location)

Sept. 21: Congregational listening meeting –the church and
homosexuality.

