

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *I proclaim aloud your praise and tell of all your wonderful deeds!* (Psalm 26:7)

Prelude Carla Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle Mateo Roth

Welcome! Pastor Brad

The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 26:1-8, p.545, read responsively)

Greetings in Christ's Peace

****Celebrating in song** (On Screen)

Wonderful words of life HWB 143

Amazing grace HWB 389

(v.1,3,6)

Take my life HWB 389

(v.1,5)

Scripture John 4:1-30 Connie Kaufman

Pg 1052

Preschool Children dismissed to Little Flock

Message "Drink from the Source" Pastor Brad

Song of Response Jesus, Rock of ages HWB 515

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** May the grace of Christ our Savior HWB 423

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, & Vicky Kessler

Jr. Usher: Kaleigh Guhr

Sermon Notes

Drink from the Source

John 4:1-30

Theme

Be refreshed in Jesus.

Key Verse

(John 4:14) Whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst.

Notes

A Prayer

God of life, in your mercy grant us to drink from your living water.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

13. **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.

14. **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.

15. Hesston College will host Homecoming 2014, Each Other's Light: A Multicultural Celebration, Sept. 25 to 28. Alumni and friends are invited to take part in the weekend featuring alumni from diverse multicultural backgrounds giving presentations and performances focused on their "Go Everywhere" life and career experiences. Go to hesston.edu/homecoming for schedule and registration information.

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.

1. 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.

2. 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. Kits must contain new items only.

Items needed are:

4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 1/2 x 10 1/2 in and 70 sheets)

8 unsharpened pencils

1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in)

12 colored pencils (in packaging)

1 large pencil eraser

3. 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.

4. Wednesday Night Meals: Anyone interested in helping serve Wednesday night meals please let Connie Kaufman know. We will be serving meals in October and November for a total of 8 meals in the fall and will serve February and March in the spring. We will divide into 4 groups with each group serving 2 meals.

5. Please fill out the Western District Conference survey by **today, Aug. 31**. 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.

6. 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

7. **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.

8. **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

9 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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 31: Tyler Kaufman, Larry Rupp
September 1: Clare Galle
September 2: Ken Stucky

~Wish “**Happy Anniversary**” this week
September 2: Chester & Kathy Sangwin
September 6: Arlen & Anne Ediger Fast

Joys and Concerns

Ariane Bergen and family as Ariane dives back into to MCC service in Nicaragua.

Sharron Kempf, preparing to go in for hand surgery on Tuesday.

Nancy, recovering after surgery on Friday.

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Pray for Janet Stucky of MMN as she continues to develop language fluency, and as she writes a project proposal for Bethesda Hospital in Benin detailing the nutritional needs of women and young children.

Prayer Requests from Western District Conference

Pray for the new Church Planting Commission as they receive orientation to the theology, principles, and practices of developing new churches.

Attendance: Worship:80

Sunday- September 7

9:30 am: Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship Service

Worship Leader: Pastor Brad

Scripture: Jerod Kaufman

Message: Pastor Brad

Accompanist: Donna Stucky

Candle Lighter: Dan Kaufman

Greeters: Jr. Loganbill, Nancy Ottley, & Tim Diehl

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, & Tim Diehl

Jr. Usher: Dan Kaufman

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.

Nov. 9: Budget Meeting

