

14. Events at Bethel College in the Luyken Fine Arts Center
Sun., March 8, Bethel College Wind Ensemble, *William Byrd Suite and Kleine Dreigroschenmusik*, 3 PM.,

Fri.-Sat., March 13-14 – Bethel College Philharmonia Orchestra with vocalists, “Scenes from the Mozart Operas,” 7 PM.

Thurs., March 19, Rev. James Atwood will speak on “America's Fascination with Violence,” 7 PM, Krehbiel Auditorium The retired Presbyterian pastor is a gun owner, deer hunter and NRA member who became involved in gun violence prevention after a member of his congregation was shot and killed by a robber with a “Saturday night special.” He received the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship National Committee’s 2014 Peaceseeker Award.

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

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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. **All the antiphons used during Lent, Palm Sunday, and Easter were written by Donna Stucky.**
2. **March 22nd – Special Congregational Meeting.** The Lighting Committee has been working on Lighting for the sanctuary for approx. 7 months. They are ready to bring their proposal to the congregation. This meeting is immediately following a noon lunch. Each family is asked to bring sandwiches or casserole and salad or dessert. If you are single please only bring one dish of your choice. We invite you to come for lunch even if you can't stay for meeting and fellowship with us.
3. Join us for community Holy Week services at 1st Mennonite, March 29 and 30 at 7:00 PM. Kent Rogers, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Wichita, will be our speaker.
4. We've formed a special prayer team to pray for the mission of our church. Around 10 people are committed to praying each Wed. night at 8:30 PM in their own homes. If you're interested in being a part of the prayer team, contact Geneva Wedel.
5. April 5 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service @ Russ Stucky's pasture

General Announcements

6. Life Enrichment at Bethel March 11
9:30 AM: *Herbs: Zest for Life and Food*, Kay Neff
10:35: *Robots, Mowers, and Landscaping. Oh My!*, Leon Guhr
11:30: *A 40-Year History of Kansas-Paraguay Patnership*, Merrill and Boot Raber.
7. The 11th Annual Pine Village Anchor's Banquet is Sat., March 21 at 6 PM. in the Wellness Center. The Flatland String Band is the Entertainment and Knackie's will cater the meal. Tickets are \$100 and all proceeds go toward the Memorial Home Endowment Foundation for the benefit of the elders served at Pine Village. Tickets can be purchased until Fri., March 13 by contacting Pine Village at [620.345.2901](tel:620.345.2901) or stopping by the main office at 86 22nd Ave.
8. The annual **Spring Supper**, for women of all ages of Western District Conference and South Central Conference and their guests is Thurs, March 26. Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and

inspiration with Carolene Jackson at Hesston Mennonite Church. Carolene was a public school educator in Oklahoma and now teaches university courses part-time and serves as a literacy coach. The program includes music by the McKinney Sisters from Moundridge. An offering for Mennonite Women USA will be received. Reservations are required by **March 16**, for the light supper served at 6 PM. Cost is \$6.per person. Contact Wynona Becker from our church or contact Amanda Rempel, at carempel@sbcglobal.net or 316-284-0470 .

9. **Freezing temperatures and snow** are adding another layer of deprivation to Syrians and Iraqis who have been forced from their homes to escape violence from the Islamic State group and battling armies in Syria. Mennonite Central Committee is calling for financial donations as it provides heating fuel and blankets this winter and continues to address basic needs of food, shelter and education. To contribute go to mcc.org.

10. **MCC Action alert!** We need your help to support Mennonite Pastor, Max Villatoro, of Iowa City who was detained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and is facing deportation. More details about this announcement are on the bulletin board.

11. **Mennonite Central Committee Central States** is hiring for a regional Human Resources Coordinator. This position is available starting April 1st. Location can be flexible and some travel is expected. For more information the job description is at <http://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/human-resources-coordinator-central-states> or contact Melissa Waltner at MelissaWaltner@mcc.org .

12. **MCC is updating its information.** Make sure we have your current email and mailing address by visiting mcc.org/alumni. MCC Alumni are the best and we want to stay in touch with you!

13. You are invited to attend a **dessert reception** in recognition of your financial support of Camp Mennoscah, Sat. March 7, at 7 PM First Mennonite Church of Moundridge. We hope to see you there.

~ Wish “ **Happy Birthday**” this week

March 8: Brendan Bergen

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March 9: Lance Loganbill, Michelle Helm, & Keith Krehbiel

March 13: Leola Koehn

March 14: Samara Wenger

Joys and Concerns

Joyce Dirks and family at the passing of BC Dirks.

An Update from our Mission Partners, Wayne and Jeannie Larson

Prayer Praises:

Connecting with families of youngsters with whom they work

Connecting young girls with their fathers and/or uncles

Gulf testimonies on Facebook with over two million views

Time with Jeannie's sister

Prayer Requests:

Twelve-month Extended Home Assignment

Wayne's start on a graduate degree program

Time with son, Josh

Time connecting with churches

Growth in their Gulf team while they're away

Low-cost housing and transportation in the states

Ariane Bergen, as she continues to serve with Mennonite Central Committee in Nicaragua.

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Freddy and Margrit Kipfer Barrón of MMN are using Alpha courses in Bolivia to strengthen existing Mennonite congregations and lay groundwork for new ones. Pray that God waters the seeds they are planting and people receive Jesus' healing and hope in their lives.

Prayer Requests from Western District Conference

Pray for wise discernment for the Search Committee and Chair Sondra Bandy Koontz as they seek a new Executive Conference Minister for Western District Conference.

Attendance: Sunday School: 25 Worship: 47

Sunday-March 15, 2015

9:30 am: Sunday School

Worship Leader: Connie Kaufman

Message: Brad Roth

Candle Lighter: Elijah Roth

Cross bearer: Trynity Petersen

Greeters: Dave & Zettie Wedel

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Jr. Usher: Elijah Roth

10:30 am: Worship Service

Scripture: Carla Stucky

Accompanist: Carla Stucky

Coming Events

March 8: Becky Clark's Student Piano Recital

March 11: 5:45 PM Wed Night Supper, Oasis 6:30-7 PM, Choir 7 PM

March 12: Fellowship Hall in use 9 AM-5PM

March 18: Choir 7 PM

March 19: Mission Team meeting 4 PM, Over 70 meal @ Pine Village 5:30 PM

March 21: Space from 9-10 AM

March 24: Worship Team Meeting 9 AM

March 25: 5:45 PM Wed Night Supper, Oasis 6:30-7 PM, Choir 7 PM Church Council, 8PM

April 2: 6 PM Maundy Thursday service with meal, communion celebration and foot washing

April 5: 7 AM Easter Sunrise Service, Easter Breakfast following at WZ, Easter Sunday!

April 22: Church Council 8 PM

