

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *There the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore (Psalm 133:3).*

Prelude Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle Trynity Petersen

Welcome Karen Loganbill
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 133

L: How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

P: It is like precious oil poured on the head,

L: running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes.

P: It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.

L: For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

Greeting in Christ's Peace

****Celebrating in song**

Blessed Jesus, at your word HWB 13
O sons and daughters, let us sing! HWB 274

Scripture Romans 5:1-5 Curtis Guhr
Pg 1116

Children dismissed to Little Flock (for ages toddler - 1st grade)

Message "Entrance into Life" Marvin Zehr

Song of Response There's a wideness in God's mercy HWB 145

Offering/Penny Power Offering (*Today's offering is the final MCC Penny Power offering this year. How much can we raise? \$340 has been raised so far!*)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** Lord, let us now depart in peace HWB 428

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler
Jr. Usher: Trynity Petersen

Mission Signs

The Mission Team is sponsoring this new bulletin blurb as a way to encourage and equip our congregation for outreach. Each week, we'll highlight a tip for how we can grow in our missional commitment at West Zion.

Why "Mission Signs?" We're convinced that whenever we engage in mission, those are signs of Jesus present and working among us. On the same token, these tips and reflections are intended to be signs that point us further along the journey of mission at West Zion.

The Apostle Paul writes in Romans 15:7 "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." God seeks to be in relationship with all people. This means that the church is called to be a place of welcome where people can come with their questions and stories and be met where they're at. How can we grow as this kind of church?

14. Bethel College Events

Sun., April 19, Dr. Robert E. Weems Jr. speaks at Kauffman

Museum, 3 PM. This is the third program connected to the exhibit "Sorting Out Race." Weems is Willard W. Garvey Distinguished Professor of Business History at Wichita State University and will speak on "Defining the 'Other': A History of Racial Stereotypes."

Sun., April 19, Bethel College Wind Ensemble at 7 PM with guests William Browning, baritone, and the McPherson Community Brass Choir under the direction of Jerry Toews, *Memorial Hall*

DATE/TIME CHANGE: Fri., April 24 – Michelle Unruh senior piano recital, 6 PM., Ad Building chapel at Bethel College

Thurs., April 23, Artist reception for Student Art Exhibit, 6-8 PM. *outside Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center,*

Thurs., Fri. and Sat., April 23-25, spring play, *The Dining Room*, 7:30 PM., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center (ticket purchase required); **Fri.,**

April 24, student research presentations beginning at 11 AM (see www.bethelks.edu for schedule and locations).

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

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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. Please give a warm welcome to Pastor Marv Zehr and his wife Jeannie as Marv brings the message!
2. Pastor Brad, Mateo, and Elijah are enjoying a day away at Men and Boys Retreat, Camp Mennoscah. He'll continue the "I AM" series on the good and abundant life in Jesus next week.
3. April 16, at 6 PM is Christian Homemakers bake night for MCC Sale. Baked goods will be ready to sell approx. 9 PM for those wanting fresh from oven. All checks for baked items are for "MCC Relief Sale". All items not sold will be taken to Hutchinson Friday AM.
4. There will be no SPACE gathering for the month of April due to the MCC Sale on April 18.

General Announcements

5. Pine Village's 2nd Annual Pulled Pork & Baby Back Rib Dinner is Sat., April 25 from 5-7 PM. Take home pre-orders for pulled pork and baby back ribs are due to Pine Village by April 13. Order forms are available at the church or Pine Village, 86 22nd Ave. For more information contact Pine Village at 620.345.2901.
6. Life Enrichment at Bethel April 15
9:30 AM-Radio Surgery, Dr. Brain Berger
10:35-100 Years on an Idaho Farm, Joanna Fenton Friesen.
11:30-German Prisoners of War at Peabody in WWII, Mark P. Schock
7. The Moundridge Community Blood Drive is April 17, 1:30 to 6 PM at the Pine Village Wellness Center. Call [1-800-733-2767](tel:1-800-733-2767) to schedule an appointment.
8. Everence Financial will present an informational webinar, *Understanding long-term care insurance*, on Thurs., April 23, at 4 PM or 8 PM. (EDT). Financial Advisor Craig Foor, CLU[®], ChFC[®], CASL[®] will discuss how you can cover the high cost of long-term care – without wiping out your life savings. He'll also talk about ensuring quality of care and maintaining your independence. You'll get the information you need to make informed decisions. There will be time for your questions. To participate, contact your church's Everence

Advocate or Melissa Short at Everence: [800\) 222-5054 ext. 3392](tel:800-222-5054) or melissa.short@everence.com

9. "This is My Father's World – A Celebration of Beauty in Nature, Music and Art" is Sun. April 19 at Bethel College Mennonite Church in North Newton. Presenters include Vada Snider, flute; Karen Loucks, piano; and Duane Graham, photography. Art by Bob Regier, humorous drawings by Jesse Graber and slides of Morocco by Susan Reimer. The program is free and open to the public. The freewill offering will benefit CASA: A Voice for Children. Sandra Bradley, CASA executive director, will speak briefly.
10. The final concert of Prairie Window Concert Series at Dyck Arboretum in Hesston, is Sun., April 19 at 4 PM. featuring indie folk rock duo Barnaby Bright. Join us for an evening of great music and good food. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. Call 620-327-8127 to reserve seats.
11. Camp Mennoscah is looking for applicants for the following summer staff positions: lifeguard, nature, and crafts. These are leadership positions with a weekly stipend and room & board. Application forms can be found at www.campmennoscah.org under Resources. The people who hold these positions are vital to our camping ministry and have the opportunity to make a great impact on the lives of campers and other staff. It's an amazing and fun way to spend a summer!
12. Head cooks, kitchen helpers, and nurses are needed for Camp Mennoscah's summer youth camps! The weeks we still need wonderful and incredible people vary, depending on the position. Contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for more information or email olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.
13. Retirees Retreat on April 27-29--There are still spaces available at Camp Mennoscah's Retirees Retreat. We're revisiting Ukraine with speakers Justina Neufeld, Keith Sprunger, and Karen McCabe-Juhnke, to name a few. There will also be time to enjoy the camp grounds and share conversation over coffee/tea. Contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) to join the fun!

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

April 13: Kathi Becker

April 15: Barbara Fast & Darin Nattier

April 16: Tara Wenger

April 17: Elaine Hofman

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

April 18: Gene & Amy Bachman

Joys and Concerns

Prayer Concerns

Vicky Kessler, as she continues to recover from knee surgery

Pete and Ruby Koehn, as Pete continues chemotherapy

We give thanks that Samson and Trynity’s grandpa Vern is doing better.

Earl Neufeld, as he continues chemotherapy.

Guys from many different congregations taking time away at Camp Mennoscah this weekend for Men and Boys Retreat

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Pray for Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer and their four children who are experimenting with a ministry in which they will serve six months in Ecuador and six months in the United States, sharing spiritual insights between South and North America. This is a joint ministry of Goshen (Indiana) College and Mennonite Mission Network.

Prayer Requests from Western District Conference

Pray for the Church Planting Commission retreat, April 13-14, as they continue to develop clear pathways forward in new church development for Western District Conference. Pray for Howard Garver as the new Director of Church Planting.

Attendance: Sunday School: 33 Worship: 86

Sunday-April 19, 2015

9:30 am: Sunday School

Worship Leader: Vicky Kessler

Message: Pastor Brad

Candle Lighter: Kaleigh Guhr

Greeter: Geneva Wedel

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Jr. Usher: Kaleigh Guhr

10:30 am: Worship Service

Scripture: Duane Becker

Accompanist: Carla Stucky

Coming Events

April 16: MCC Bake Night for Christian Homemakers

April 17 & 18: MCC Sale

April 20: 7 PM @ Senior Center, Assoc. Churches Meeting

April 22: 7:30 PM Church Council

April 26: 7 PM Mennonite Men’s Choir performing in Memorial Hall at Bethel College N. Newton Bethel

April 30: 9 AM Worship Team

May 3: 2 PM VBS Meeting, 7 PM Mennonite Men’s Choir performing in Presser Hall at Bethany College in Lindsborg.

May 7: 4 PM Christian Discipleship Team Meeting

