

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever (Psalm 45:6).*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle                      Kaleigh Guhr

Welcome

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship                      HWB 670

Greeting in Christ's Peace

**\*\*Celebrating in song**

God is here among us                      HWB 16  
We praise thee, O God                      HWB 99

Scripture                      Matthew 25:14-30                      Ellen Kaufman  
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*Children dismissed to Little Flock (for ages toddler - 1st grade)*

Message                      "Love unravelled"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**                      When we are tempted                      STS 81

**\*\*Offering**

Becky and Jessie Pohl received as members

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**                      Praise, praise, praise the Lord!                      STJ 11

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

Greeters: Kirk & Carla Stucky

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Jr. Usher: Kaleigh Guhr

## Sermon Notes

Love Unravelled  
Matthew 25:14-30

Theme

Care about God and others.

Key Verse

(Matthew 25:25) I was afraid and went out and hid your talent in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.

Notes

Acedia is...

The cure for acedia is...

A Prayer

God of love, wind us snug with care for what matters.

*Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org*

**16. Sat., Sept. 5, Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird**

**Walk.** Join experienced birder Gregg Friesen at **7:15 AM** in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours. (For help locating Kauffman Museum, see [www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/](http://www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/))

**17. Sun., Sept. 13 – KIPCOR Film Series 2015-16 begins**

**with *Slavery by Another Name*, 3 PM, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College.** This PBS documentary deals with the re-enslavement of black Americans from the Civil War to World War II. Talk-back session with Dr. Galyn Vesey to follow.

**18. Life Enrichment at Bethel College: September 2**

**9:30 AM:** *Scouting: A Game With a Purpose*, Todd Wedel, Eagle Scout, troop committee chairman, Newton.

**10:35:** *On Track for Local Jobs in Harvey County*, Mickey Fornaro-Dean, Harvey County Economic Development, Newton

**11:30:** *About Scams*, T. Walton, Harvey County Sheriff, Newton.

19. Hesston College will welcome alumni and friends of the college to campus Sept. 24 to 27 for Homecoming 2015: A campus transformation. The weekend will celebrate the completion of the Northlawn renovation project and construction of a new campus entrance. Don't miss the Sept. 4, early bird registration deadline. See a full weekend schedule online [thesston.edu/homecoming](http://thesston.edu/homecoming).

**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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Pastor Brad's email: [bradroth@westzionmc.org](mailto:bradroth@westzionmc.org)

**Sec. hours:** Tues. & Wed. 2:30-4:30 PM, Thurs. 2:30-5:30 PM

Church: 620-345-8143

Becky's cell: 345-6696

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Website: [www.westzionmc.org](http://www.westzionmc.org)

## West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.

Check the bulletin board for more announcements.

1. Earl and I want to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone that helped get our things ready for our sale; we could not have done it by ourselves. We were so overwhelmed by the turnout and support we received. We cannot thank you all, enough. May God bless you.  
Earl & Frances Neufeld

2. I want to thank everyone for their prayers, thoughts, visits and cards. I appreciated everyone.  
Earl Neufeld

3. Deacons nomination is Sunday Sept. 13.

4. The Christian Homemakers will meet Thursday, Sept. 10, at 4PM to measure, cut and hem diapers for the MCC Layette Bundles. Salad and pizza is available at 6:30PM. Program planning and a business meeting will take place during the supper break. ALL women of the church are invited to participate. If you can bring a sewing or serge machine, contact Jan Dyck at 345-2313.

5. On Wednesday evening Sept. 2 at 7:30 PM potential Chancel Choir members are invited to the home of Donna Stucky for dessert and discussion regarding the feasibility of continuing choir. Donna's address is 406 Witmarsum West Drive, North Newton.

6. Join us for a discipleship workshop with Marvin Lorenzana of Mennonite Mission Network on Sept. 12, 9-noon at West Zion in the Fellowship Hall. Marvin will focus on how we can grow as disciples of Jesus in the context of Missional Discipleship Groups, a form of small group. Lunch is provided. Please register online at <http://goo.gl/forms/rcF3DMOedv> (also on the church website) or contact the church office. Marvin will also lead SS and bring the message on Sept.13.

7. Sept. 6, during SS hour (9:30-10:15 AM), Deacons present results of pastoral review.

8. Sept. 20, congregational vote to renew Pastor Brad's term during announcement time.

9. Pastor Brad and family will be out next Sunday. He will be in the office all week.

## General Announcements

10. Women & Girls Retreat is scheduled for Sept. 11-13 at Camp Mennoscah. The speaker is Nadine Friesen. There is a poster and a registration brochure posted on the bulletin board.

11. The annual MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride is Sat. Sept. 19, originating at the Mennonite Central Committee offices. 121 E. 30<sup>th</sup> Street, N.. Newton. This year's ride raises funds for an MCC water development project in Tanzania. Rides of approximately 35, 45, and 65 miles, as well as a shorter family ride are planned. Informational brochures are available on the bulletin board. The brochure and registration is also available on the MCC website, [mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlanders-bicycle-ride](http://mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlanders-bicycle-ride).

12. The Pine Village Garage Sale is Sept. 25-26. Begin cleaning out your store rooms and garages of items no longer used and donate them. The only items not accepted are adult clothes. All proceeds go toward a new phone system. Questions, contact Pine Village at 620.345.2901.

13. The FloraKansas Fall Plant Sale is Sept.11-13, at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. A large selection of adaptable perennials is also available. Memberships can be purchased on the day of the sale. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount at all arboretum plant sales and may participate in the members only pre-sale on Thursday, Sept.10 from 1 to 7 PM. For more information, call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) or visit [www.dyckarboretum.org](http://www.dyckarboretum.org).

14. Attention high school students! Win \$1,000 by writing an essay for the MCC U.S. Washington Office annual public policy essay contest. Topics include the militarization of police, climate change, and prisoner re-entry. All students who attend Mennonite high school or are members of Anabaptist congregations are eligible. Learn more at: <http://mcc.org/get-involved/advocacy/washington/contest>.

15. Kansas Mennonites & World War I Heritage Lectures are Saturday Sept. 12, at 9 AM at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church in Goessel. More information about the event is on the poster on the bulletin board. This event is free and open to the public.

~ 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

### **Joys and Concerns**

Angela Stucky, Kathy Hayes’ cousin, recovering Mercy Hospital in Moundridge after a serious car accident.

A brother, Bernabe, in the San Juan de Cotabambas church in Peru, who recently lost his wife in a vehicular accident. San Juan de Cotabambas is the church we have been seeking to cultivate a sister-church relationship with.

Pete Koehn, at Moundridge Mercy Hospital

Tyler Kukuk and family after Tyler underwent a series of procedures in Kansas City this past week. Tyler is the baby born extremely premature two years ago. His parents are Mitch and Crystal.

### **Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network**

Tomorrow, MMN’s DOOR Dwell participants arrive in the cities they will call home for the coming year. Pray for them as they reflect on the upcoming challenges and as they celebrate life in community.

### **Mission Signs**

What is the Gospel? If someone asked, would you able to share the Good News about Jesus? Start with your own experience--how is your life different because you follow Jesus?

Attendance:      Worship : 67

## **Sunday, Sept. 6, 2015**

**9:30 am:** Sunday School  
**Worship Leader:** Karen Loganbill  
**Message:** Pastor Harold Thieszen  
**Candle Lighter:** Kaleigh Guhr  
**Greeters:** Mike & Connie Kaufman  
**Ushers:** Clark Graber, Dave Wedel  
**Jr. Usher:** Kaleigh Guhr

**10:30 am:** Worship Service  
**Scripture:** Jennifer Kaufman  
**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

## **Coming Events**

Sept. 2:      7 PM Mission Team Meeting  
Sept. 3:      4 PM West Zion @ Pine Village  
Sept. 5:      8 AM Men’s group  
Sept. 6:      Deacons present results of pastoral review during SS  
                  hour (9:30-10:15 AM)  
Sept. 8:      7 PM Trustees Meeting  
Sept. 10:     Christian Homemakers 4PM-  
                  7:30 PM Worship Team Meeting  
Sept. 12:     9-Noon Discipleship workshop @ WZ with Marvin  
                  Lorenzana of Mennonite Mission Network.  
Sept. 13:     Marvin Lorenzana teaches on discipleship in Sunday  
                  school and preaches in worship.  
Sept. 19:     8 AM Men’s group, SPACE 9-10 AM  
Sept. 20:     Congregational vote to renew Pastor Brad’s term  
Sept. 26:     8 AM Men’s group  
Oct. 8:        7 PM Worship Planning Summit (more info to follow)

