

# West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Lent 5

Words for silent meditation: *Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; O Lord, hear my voice (Psalm 130:1-2).*

Entrance hymn:            Come, we that love the lord                      HWB 14

Prelude    Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ Candle                      Mateo Roth

Welcome    Sharon Gehring

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

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 130            Dm            Am/C            Dm/Bb            Am            Gm            C            Dm

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, - and in his word I put my hope.

Greeting in Christ's peace

**\*\*Celebrating in Song**

I need thee every hour                      HWB 555

Scripture                      John 11:17-27                      Tracy Duffman  
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*Children dismissed to Little Flock (for preschool-age children)*

Message "The life-changing magic of disappointment" Pastor Brad

The wages of sin is death,  
but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!***

Extinguishing the cross candle

*Each week we will extinguish a candle on the altar cross to mark our journey with Christ toward the darkness of the crucifixion. The final candle will be extinguished at our Maundy Thursday service.*

Song of Response            Precious Lord, take my hand                      HWB 575

Offering and Coins Count Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the People

\*\* Sending Song                      And I will raise you up                      HWB 596

\*\*Benediction

\*\*Postlude

Greeters: Larry & Karen Loganbill

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman, Frances Neufeld

Little Flock: Ellen Kaufman

## Sermon Notes

The life-changing magic of disappointment

John 11:17-27

Theme

Disappointment allows us to realign our hopes in God.

Key Verse

(John 11:21) "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died.

Notes

A Prayer

God whose presence satisfies our deepest yearnings, grant us a foretaste of your eternal life.

*Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org*

Find us on Facebook!

## **Sunday, April 9, 2017**

**9:30 am:** Sunday School  
**Candle Lighter:** Elijah Roth  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad  
**Message:** Eric Massanari  
**Greeter:** Frances Neufeld  
**Ushers:** Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler  
**Little Flock:** Connie Kaufman

**10:30 am:** Worship Service  
**Scripture:** Mateo Roth  
**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

## **Coming Events**

April 5: 6 PM, Mission Communion Service, 7 PM Choir  
April 6: Christian Homemakers bake night for MCC Sale 6 PM  
April 6-8: Pastor Brad out to Sent mission conference in Ft. Myers, FL  
April 7-8: Mennonite Central Committee Sale  
April 9: 7 PM at West Zion, Community Holy Week service  
April 10: 7 PM at West Zion, Community Holy Week service  
April 13: 6 PM Maundy Thursday meal with communion and footwashing  
April 16: Easter Sunday:  
6:45 AM Sunrise Service, Russ Stucky's pasture  
7:15 AM Breakfast in WZ fellowship hall  
9:30 AM Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship  
April 12: 7 PM Chancel Choir

**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  
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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. Thanks to Mel and Jan Graber who picked some of their favorite hymns for music today.
2. Join us on April 5 at 6:00 PM for a service of prayer and communion. We'll pray that Holy Week and Easter might be a time for people to connect to Jesus, and, in the spirit of the Year of Breaking Bread, we'll share communion together.
3. Bake night for Christian Homemakers is Thurs., April 6 at 6 PM. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board to bring items to help with baking. Should have some cinnamon and fruit rolls ready to purchase by 9 PM. All unpurchased items will be taken to MCC Sale on Friday.
4. Don't miss your opportunity to support MCC through the Run for Relief. Give donations to Bo Bachman or Karen Loganbill before Friday. Write checks to KMRS (Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale) with "Run for Relief" noted on the memo line.
5. Pastor Brad will be out of town April 6-8 attending and presenting at the Sent 2017 conference in Ft. Myers, FL. Sent 2017 is a gathering sponsored by Mennonite Mission Network to encourage and equip church planters and others engaged in mission revitalization. Brad will be back late Saturday night and plans to be in church Sunday morning to lead worship and teach Sunday School. Eric Massanari will join us as our guest speaker.
6. Join us for community Holy Week Services at West Zion, April 9 and 10 at 7 PM. Kurt Horst, pastor of Whitestone Mennonite Church in Hesston, will speak on themes of tragedy and healing at the cross, reflecting on his experience ministering in the community after the Excel shooting in 2016.
7. Ladies of the church, save the date of Wed., May 10<sup>th</sup> for our Salad Supper. The speaker is Lois Stoltenberg. Note this is change from original date. More information later.
8. Join us April 13 at 6 PM for Maundy Thursday meal and service of communion and footwashing. The meal and service is in fellowship hall.

9. Join us as we celebrate Christ's resurrection on Easter morning, April 16!  
6:45 AM Sunrise Service, Russ Stucky's pasture  
7:15 AM Breakfast in WZ fellowship hall  
9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship

10. Beginning Easter Sunday, April 16, Pastor Brad will launch a new preaching series called "Accidental Prayers." We'll look at what ordinary people's encounters with Jesus in the gospels can teach us about prayer. The adult Sunday School class will also follow this series and explore the scripture passages in more depth.
11. Benefit Day Pulled Pork & Baby Back Ribs Fundraiser is April 22, from 5-7 PM at the Wellness Center. More information on the bulletin insert.
12. Community hymn sing is Sun., April 23 at 6:30 PM at First Menn, Church of Christian. This is presented by Moundridge Senior Singers, featuring the songs of Fanny J. Crosby.

### General Announcements

13. Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group meets Tues., April 4, at 2 PM in Menno Hall. Paul Unruh, retired social worker, leads a discussion on the topic: "What It's Like to Live With Parkinson's Disease." Caregivers and participants living with Parkinson's are invited to share their experiences.
14. Sun., April 9 at 4 PM at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston is the next Prairie Window Concert Series featuring folks and roots musician Old Man Luedecke. Tickets: are \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. [Purchase tickets online](#) or call [620-327-8127](tel:620-327-8127) to reserve seats.
15. Hesston College Chamber Orchestra, Women's Chorus, and Men's Chorus are featured in a concert at 7 PM, Tues., April 4, at Hesston Mennonite Church. The concert is free and open to the public.
16. Life Enrichment at Bethel College April 5  
**9:30 AM:** "Postal History: Fun and Facts," Robin Gay, postmaster, Newton  
**10:35:** "A Message in a Bottle: The Journey of Voyager II," Tom Holcomb, director of visitor experience, KS Cosmosphere, Hutchinson  
**11:30:** "Cambas, Collas and a Family of Gringos in Bolivia," Hanna Neufeld and Wilmar Hadrer, pastor Buhler Mennonite Church.

17. Swiss Mennonite Cultural Historical Association is offering scholarships in the amount of \$500 to students who are preparing for the ministry or other full-time Christian service. Part-time students may be awarded \$250 scholarships. Individuals serving in long-term voluntary service are eligible. Scholarships are for the 2017-2018 school year. Application deadline is July 1, more information on the bulletin board.

18. Swiss Mennonite Cultural Historical Association is planning two trips this spring and summer. Both have room available. The first is a May 6 day trip through parts of Marion, Harvey and McPherson Counties. We will point out landmarks, trails, history, economic development and much more about the area. The second trip is the "Goodwill Tour to Freeman". This 3 day tour starts July 18. We will bus to Freeman, learning about their culture and sites during the trip we will visit a Hutterite Colony and have dinner, view the site and learn about the events that led to five young boys freezing to death during the blizzard of 1888. We are working to make this an exciting tour.

19. Thurs., April 6, in observation of the centennial of U.S. entry into World War I, Kauffman Museum and Bethel College history club, CLIO, will show the 1932 film *A Farewell to Arms*. A light meal is provided (free; donations accepted) at 6 PM.; film starts at 6:30 at *Kauffman Museum*.

20. Sun., April 9, Bethel College's Student Government Association and Kauffman Museum invite the community for lawn games, sidewalk chalk art (chalk provided), grilled hot dogs and more, 2:30-4:30 PM *outside the museum*, as part of Bethel's 2nd Annual Pride and Inclusion Week.

21. Sun., April 9, Bethel College Women's Chorus spring concert, 4 PM in *Bethel College Mennonite Church*

22. Mon., April 10, Bethel College forensics nationals showcase (post-tournament this year), 7 PM., *Krehbiel Auditorium*.

~Wish "Happy Birthday" to~

April 4: Clark Graber, Duane Toews, & Ron Galle

April 6: Zettie Wedel & Sharon Becker

April 8: Kevin Fast

~ Wish "Happy Anniversary" to~

April 6: Mel & Kathi Becker

### **Prayer Concerns**

Sherry Wedel, recovering after falling and fracturing her shoulder.

John Sharp, professor at Hesston College, and family, after his son Michael was confirmed dead in Congo.

Anne Burch's daughters in Portland, OR.

Teresa Stucky, as she continues to heal after suffering a brain bleed

Roseanne Hayes, that her house would sell quickly.

Mark Stucky, recovering after surgery.

Thanks be to God...

- For Glenda's clear mammogram
- That Jeremiah was able to find a good place to live
- That Carl's tests were clear this week.

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

Ministries among refugees are a significant part of MMN's engagement in Australia, Turkey, the United States, Southeast Asia, and Western Europe. Pray for peace in the world, safe places for all people, and that mission workers will continue to share Jesus' love in culturally appropriate ways.

### **Prayer Requests from Western District Conference**

Pray for immigrants and refugees within WDC congregations and communities, and for congregations seeking faithful response to their needs and concerns

### **Mission Mosaic**

Journey International-Andrew Cullar, Jenna Ratzlaff, Jeff Clendening & Chris King, Ungaran, Indonesia Pg 53

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