

# West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *From you comes my praise in the great congregation (Psalm 22:25).*

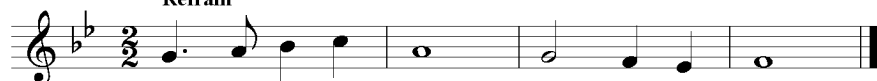
Prelude    Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle                      Mateo Roth

Welcome    Pastor Brad Roth  
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 22:25-31

Refrain



Lord, in you I trust. You are my God.

Greeting in Christ's peace

**\*\*Celebrating in song**                      *My Hope is built*                      HWB # 343  
*Great is thy Faithfulness*                      HWB # 327

Scripture                                      1 John 4:7-21                      Tracy Duffman

Message                                      "Beloved and Loving"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**                      *My life flows on*                      HWB # 580

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**                      *Rain down*                      STJ # 49

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

**\*\*please stand if able**  
Songbooks in pews: *HWB-blue, STS-purple spiral, STJ-green spiral, S&R-green hardbound*

Greeters: Larry & Karen Loganbill  
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

## Sermon Notes

Beloved and Loving  
1 John 4:7-21

Theme  
Be loved by God. Love one another.

Key Verse  
(1 John 4:11) Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

## Notes

A Prayer  
God of love, so draw us to your eternal heart that we might truly love one another.

*Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org*  
Find us on Facebook!

## **Sunday, May 6, 2018**

**9:30 AM:** Sunday School  
**Message:** Pastor Brad Roth  
**Worship Leader:** Sharon Gehring  
**Greeter:** Frances Neufeld  
**Special Music:** Praise Team  
**Ushers:** Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service  
**Scripture:** Zettie Wedel  
**Candle Lighter:** Elijah Roth  
**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

## **Coming Events**

May 2: Faith Talk Class 7-8 PM in Conference Room  
May 6: Game Night in Fellowship Hall, 6-8 PM  
May 9: Faith Talk Class 7-8 PM in Conference Room  
May 16: Salad Supper in Fellowship Hall (no Faith Talk Class)  
May 20: SS at 9:30: Discussion on sharing our faith led by  
Pastor Brad, Worship at 10:30: Anointing & communion

**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

Pastor's Cell: 620-386-4838

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

**Secretary Carla Stucky's hours:** Thurs. 9-11, 1-4 PM

Church: 620-345-8143

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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. What do you believe and why do you believe it? **Join us for a Faith Talk summer discussion of the doctrines of Christian faith led by Pastor Brad.** We'll meet Wednesdays 7:00-8:00 PM, May-June (beginning May 2) in the Conference Room to explore what the Bible teaches about who God is and how we are to walk before him. The *Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective* will frame our discussion. If you're new to the church, this is a great way to learn more about what we believe. If you've been a part of the church for a long time, this is a good refresher! Childcare available.

2. Join us on May 20 during the Sunday School hour for a discussion on how we can share our faith led by Pastor Brad. May 20 is Pentecost, a day when we remember how God sends his church for mission and empowers us through the Holy Spirit. We will have a time of anointing during the worship service and celebrate communion.

3. Your church library now has an electronic catalog! This enables you to see from our church website if our library has a book you want. It also enables you to check out books electronically. Stop by the library after church this Sunday to see how this is done. There are also books available in the foyer for you to take. Donations for the books will be much appreciated.

4. The annual West Zion salad supper hosted by Christian Homemakers will take place on Wednesday, May 16. Lou Adams will present a portrayal of Ruth. All girls and women are invited.

5. The Moundridge Food Pantry (located at the north-west door of the Moundridge Senior Center, 100 North Schmidt) requests your help. A list of foods needed can be found by the food donation box available near the foyer coat rack. Donations of these items are welcome as well as cash donations. Thank you! - Lory Fisher

6. Join us for a game night on May 6 from 6:00-8:00 PM in the fellowship hall! Bring your favorite games and consider inviting a non-church guest to join the fun.

## General Announcements

7. *"Hope can come in the midst of desperation and tragedy can give rise to miracles."* This is the first line of [Bars, Dumps and Other Childhood Hangouts](#), a childhood memoir by Katherine Burkey Wiens M.Ed, LPC (this book is in the WZ library). She will speak at the Thursday, May 3 6:00 pm Women's Salad Supper at First Mennonite Church of McPherson and share stories from her childhood which was mired in alcoholism, poverty, abuse, and neglect and ultimate redemption. Call 620-241-5576 by Tuesday, May 1 for reservations; location is 1161 E. Ave A (corner of Maxwell and Avenue A).

8. On Tuesday, May 15 from 7-8:30 PM the Offender Victim Ministries organized choir at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility East Unit will be giving a concert for outside guests! This is a great opportunity to hear choral music and support the volunteers and men at HCF. Contact Ben Kreider by Tuesday, May 1 if you would like to attend: [ben@offendervictimministries.org](mailto:ben@offendervictimministries.org) or (316) 281 5244.

9. Celebrate Mother's Day by supporting mothers around the world through MCC Infant Care Kits! Help mothers, who are displaced by war or disaster, give their infants a good start. The kit contents have changed recently, visit [mcc.org/mrc/kits](http://mcc.org/mrc/kits) for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Just bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton, KS 67117.

10. Updates to MCC kits: after a recent evaluation of material resources, including input from our partners around the world, MCC has made updates to each kit. Please visit [mcc.org/mrc/kits](http://mcc.org/mrc/kits) for all the updated lists and contact [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org) or call 316-283-2720 with questions. New printed kit cards are available from the MCC Central States office in North Newton.

11. You are invited to dinner and a concert on Saturday, May 5 at Leatherman's Barn in Hesston. A free-will offering will be collected with all proceeds to benefit Mariana Martinez, an international student from Honduras seeking sponsorship to continue her education at Hesston College. Featuring traditional Honduran foods and a variety show by music students from Hesston College, the meal begins at 5:30 pm with music to follow at 7 pm.

12. Everence will hold an informative workshop on Monday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. Social Security and retirement income planning will cover when to begin taking Social Security, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. Workshops are presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

13. The 5th Annual Benefit Day Pulled Pork and Baby Back Ribs Dinner will be Saturday, April 28 from 5-7 p.m. in the Pine Village Wellness Center. Friends and family are welcome to come enjoy, tender, smoked pulled pork and fall off the bone baby back ribs. You're not going to want to miss this!

### **Prayer Concerns**

- Mary Graber, continuing to heal after a fall.
- Mel Becker, as he recovers from recent bouts with illness.
- Mission Partners Prayer Requests: Awad had a good visit with his father. He listened to his father and seems to have established some level of communication. The family council in the mosque went very well. Continue to pray for protection, patience and wisdom for Awad and safety for three women who are unsafe because of their Christian faith.

### **Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

Freddy and Margrit Kipfer Barrón of Mennonite Mission Network serve the Bolivia Mennonite Church in many capacities. Pray for them as they work with young congregations, coordinate Christian education ministries, provide pastoral leadership, and train church leaders.

### **Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Pray for the WDC Annual Assembly Planning team, as they prepare for our conference gathering July 27-28 in central Kansas.

### **Mennonite Church USA**

Prayers are requested for transitions in denominational leadership. Pray for Ervin Stutzman as he retires on April 30 after eight years of serving as the executive director for MC USA. Pray for Glen Guyton as he begins serving as the new executive director on May 1.

### **Mission Mosaic in the pew**

Mary Beyler in Japan; Mark and Mary Hurst in Australia, pg 21



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

May 3: Tracy Duffman

May 4: Dan Pohl

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:

April 30: Bruce & Sonyia Dirks

May 3: Dale & Eida Jantzen