

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD (Psalm 98:7-9a)*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle                      Elijah Roth

Welcome                      Sharon Gehring  
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 98  
Sing to the LORD a new song / **for he has done marvelous things.**

Greeting in Christ's peace

### **\*\*Celebrating in song**

*Come, let us all unite to sing*                      HWB # 12  
*I know not why*                      HWB # 338

Scripture                      1 John 5:1-6                      Zettie Wedel

Message                      "Love and Obey"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**                      *The love of God*                      STJ # 44

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*

Greeter: Frances Neufeld

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

### Sermon Notes

Love and Obey

1 John 5:1-6

#### Theme

Loving God means committing ourselves to him in obedience.

#### Key Verse

(1 John 5:3) This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his commands are not burdensome.

#### Notes

#### A Prayer

Father who calls us into loving obedience to your word, equip and strengthen us for life with you.

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

## **Sunday, May 13, 2018**

**9:30 AM:** Sunday School      **10:30 AM:** Worship Service  
**Message:** Pastor Brad Roth      **Scripture:** Wynona Becker  
**Worship Leader:** Geneva Wedel      **Candle Lighter:** Kaleigh Guhr  
**Greeters:** Kirk & Carla Stucky      **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Ushers:** Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

## **Coming Events**

May 6:      Game Night in Fellowship Hall, 6-8 PM  
May 9:      First Faith Talk Class 7-8 PM in Conference Room  
May 16:      Salad Supper in Fellowship Hall (no Faith Talk Class)  
May 19:      Moundridge High School Graduation  
May 20:      SS at 9:30: Discussion on sharing our faith led by  
                 Pastor Brad, Worship at 10:30: Anointing & communion  
                 Preschool graduation at WZ 2:00 PM  
May 23:      Faith Talk Class 7-8 PM in Conference Room

**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

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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. Brett and Holly invite you to share in their wedding day, June 2 at 5:00 PM at the Historic Church on D Street, Hillsboro (across the street from Tabor College).
2. Join us tonight for a game night from 6:00-8:00 PM in fellowship hall! Bring your favorite games and consider inviting a non-church guest to join the fun.
3. Cemetery clean-up will be Saturday, May 19. Meet at the cemetery at 8:00 AM and bring string trimmers, clippers, etc. There will be final cemetery trimming on Thursday, May 24 beginning at 6:00 PM. All helpful hands are welcome!
4. A part-time cemetery trimming job is available. It would involve 4-6 hours a week with a flexible schedule. Contact a Trustee if you are interested.
5. Did you help with the MDS response to the 1955 tornado in Udall, KS? Jim Minick and Beth Bontrager are writing a history. Talk to Carla if you would be willing to share your memories.
6. Moundridge Farmers Market will open for another season May 5 from 8-11 AM at the Agricultural Museum (402 W. Cole). The first Tuesday market will be June 2 from 5-7 PM at the same location. Our goal is to provide locally grown produce and homemade crafts to the community all summer long. New vendors and buyers are welcome all summer. For any questions, call Linda Goering at 620-345-2899.
7. You are invited to attend the MCC Sale Annual Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 30, 6:30 PM, at Tabor Mennonite Church. The cost for the meal is \$15/person and you pay at the door. Please RSVP to Royce and Sandy Jantz by May 23.
8. 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. Due to weather, the first meeting will now be Wednesday, May 9 from 7-8 PM in the Conference Room. We will continue to meet on Wednesdays through June (there will not be a meeting on May 16) and will 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.

9. 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.

10. The annual West Zion salad supper hosted by Christian Homemakers will take place on Wednesday, May 16 at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Lou Adams will present a portrayal of Ruth. Please bring a salad for you and any guests you bring. All girls and women are invited.

11. 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

## General Announcements

12. May is Mental Health Month, and Prairie View is focused on how a healthy lifestyle may help prevent the onset or worsening of mental health conditions, as well as heart disease, diabetes, obesity and other chronic health problems. Eating healthy foods, managing stress, exercising, and getting enough sleep can go a long way in making you both physically and mentally healthy. Follow Prairie View on Facebook (@PrairieViewInc) to learn more about the connection between physical and mental health.

13. Join the West Coast Mennonite Men's Chorus on May 6 in Hillsboro for beautiful music in support of Mennonite Disaster Service's Midwest fire relief efforts. A free-will offering will be taken and proceeds will go toward efforts to assist those affected by the wildfires in Oklahoma last year. The location is Tabor College. Now in their 41st year, this group of committed men who love to sing represent men from many walks of life and various churches.

14. Kauffman Museum still has room in its May 17 bus trip “Larned and Great Bend Tour Quest,” which includes stops at the Raptor Center at the Brit Spaugh Zoo, the Santa Fe Trail Center Museum and Research Library, and the Fort Larned Historical Site. Deadline is May 11 for registering. Contact Andi Schmidt Andres at 316-283-1612 or [asa@bethelks.edu](mailto:asa@bethelks.edu) for more information or for credit-card reservations.

15. 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.

16. Everence will hold an informative workshop on Monday, May 7 at 6:30 PM on social security and retirement income planning. 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](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com).



We wish a “**Happy Anniversary**” to:  
May 6: Leon & Virginia Guhr

### **Prayer Concerns**

Edna Anderson, struggling with blood pressure issues

Elda Jantzen at Newton Medical Center

Leola and Chet Koehn at Moundridge Mercy Hospital

Scott Parsley, a friend of Carl’s

Jim Duffman, Carl’s brother

Maleya, struggling with a change in living situation

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

Today, “Sent 2018” is concluding a three-day conference in Chicago where church planters worshiped and learned about resources for birthing missional congregations in the peace church tradition. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for participants as they implement what they learned in their communities.

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

Pray for youth ministers from WDC congregations attending The Gathering Live this weekend in Kansas City, joining others from across Mennonite Church USA for fellowship, worship and practical resourcing for faith formation.

### **Mennonite Church USA**

The MC USA Executive Board and Constituency Leaders Council held joint meetings in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, last month. Read updates about Journey Forward, Ervin Stutzman's farewell program and discussions about credentialing and leadership appointments: <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/mc-usa-leaders-journey-forward-at-spring-meetings/>

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

Pray for Dhamtari Hospital, a hospital started by Mennonite missionaries; Anabaptist Assoc. of Australia & New Zealand, page 22