

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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During the prelude we invite you to prepare your heart for worship by meditating on the words for silent meditation which are taken from the psalm for the day.

Words for silent meditation: *Fear the LORD, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want (Psalm 34:9).*

Prelude Carla Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements
Glimpse of Peru teaching trip

Call to Worship, Psalm 34:9-14 (on screen)

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song**

Holy Spirit, come with power HWB # 26
Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah HWB # 50

Scripture Deuteronomy 5:21 Leon Guhr

STS # 17 Alleluia!

Scripture Luke 14:25-35

Message "That Dog, That Truck" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus* HWB # 340

Offering "Our Father Who Art in Heaven" sung by Bill Froese (CD)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *My life flows on* HWB # 580

****Benediction**

****Postlude** "God of our Strength" and "God Will Take Care of You"
Mennonite Hour Singers, from Eastern Mennonite University (CD)

****please stand if able**

Songbooks in pews: HWB-blue, STS-purple spiral, STJ-green spiral, S&R-green hardbound

Greeters: Dale & Elda Jantzen

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Thank you to Geneva Wedel for sharing some of her favorite songs on CD.

Sermon Notes

"That Dog, That Truck"
Deuteronomy 5:21; Luke 14:25-35

Theme

Desire Christ above all else.

Key Verse

(Luke 14:33) In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.

Notes

A Prayer

Jesus who calls us to leave everything for your sake, grant us contentment and abundance of heart as we follow you.

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

Sunday, August 26, 2018

9:30 AM: Breakfast hosted by CDT **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad Roth **Scripture:** Connie Kaufman
Worship Leader: Carl Duffman **Accompanist:** Gerry Major
Greeters: Royce & Sandy Jantz **Music:** Sherry Wedel-hymns
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Coming Events

Aug. 26: CDT breakfast for all
Sept. 5: Children's choir practice 6:30-7:00 pm K-8th
 (will be singing on Sept. 23)
Sept. 9: Pastoral review report to the congregation
Sept. 12: Children's choir practice 6:30-7 PM
Sept. 16: Congregational vote on new term for Pastor Brad
Sept. 19: Children's choir practice 6:30-7 PM
Sept. 23: Come and See Sunday, 130-year celebration of WZ

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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West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.
Check the bulletin board for more announcements.

1. The Christian Discipleship Team will host a breakfast on Sunday, August 26 beginning at 9:30 AM. Come eat, fellowship, and celebrate the work of teachers and all those who make discipleship possible. There will be no Sunday School for any age group.
2. Sunday School will begin again on September 2 from 9:30-10:15 AM. Pastor Brad will lead the adult Sunday School class on his book *God's Country*. All are welcome to attend!
3. Janice Dyck will celebrate her 80th birthday with an open house hosted by her children, Bruce, Audrey, Rodney, Ryan and grandchildren this afternoon from 2-4 PM at West Zion. The family requests no gifts. Birthday cards are welcome.
4. MCC needs your help to gather 75 more prisoner care kits by August 24 so our local partner Offender/Victim Ministries, Inc. can distribute kits to men at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility. These kits are tangible reminders to inmates that they are loved and not forgotten. The most needed items are: men's deodorant (2.25 oz or more), men's white crewneck t-shirts (size L or XL- new only), men's white briefs (size L or XL- new only). Please bring these items or completed kits (full list of kit contents, mcc.org/mrc/kits) to the MCC Material Resources Center at 121 East 30th Street, North Newton by August 24. Questions, please contact katemast@mcc.org or at 316-283-2720.

General Announcements

5. Moundridge Community Blood Drive will be held at the Pine Village Wellness Center on Friday, August 31 12-6 PM. To schedule your appointment, visit www.redcrossblood.org.
6. Mental Health Spiritual Retreat at Camp Mennoscah, Sept. 2-3! This retreat is for individuals affected by mental illness, including family members and friends. Come support each other, have fun and enjoy being at camp. Register online at campmennoscah.org or call us at 620-297-3290 for a brochure.

7. Sunday, Aug. 26 – Grand opening (open house and reception) of special exhibit “Better Choose Me: Collecting and Creating with Tobacco Fabric Novelties, 1880-1920,” featuring the collection of the late Ethel Ewert Abrahams, 1:30-4:30 p.m., *Kauffman Museum*
Please note: The Bethel College Academy of Performing Arts (BCAPA) faculty recital that appears on some calendars for this afternoon has been postponed until a later date to be determined.

8. Everence will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Topics will include Medicare, Social Security and retirement income planning. The workshop will be presented by Everence staff and will take place at MCC Central States Office, 121 E. 30th, North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

9. Pine Village will host its 7th Annual Bierock Dinner on Friday, August 24 from 5:30-7 PM in the Wellness Center. The meal is \$6.50. Frozen bierocks will also be available to purchase by the half dozen and dozen, **while they last**. You can preorder frozen bierocks after 1 PM on August 24 by calling 620-345-2900. All proceeds will benefit the 2018 Benefit Day Project – a kitchen expansion and renovation!
Other upcoming Benefit Day events:

- September 9 – Benefit Day Variety Show
- September 21 – Bake Sale & Sloppy Joe Lunch
- October 8-25 – Benefit Day Online Auction
- October 25 – Benefit Day Dinner & Live Auction

10. Offender Victim Ministries is offering a FREE training for new and current volunteers to learn more about Neighborhood Accountability Boards in Harvey and McPherson counties. Join us Saturday, September 8 from 9:30am-4pm at the Harvey County Courthouse Community Room (lower level), 800 N. Main, Newton. Lunch included.

11. Be Brave, Be Bold, Be You! Women & Girls Retreat 2018 - The schedule and registration forms for the 2018 Women & Girls Retreat, September 7-9 at Camp Mennoscah, are now available in the foyer. Rachel Ringenberg Miller, pastor of Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton, will be the featured speaker. This retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. Forms are due August 27.

**Prayer Requests from our Mission Partners
Wayne and Jeannie Larson (Arabian Peninsula)**

A need for a safe place to grow in faith, and then return to hard situations with strength is the vision behind a Refuge/Media Center to be set up in a former Soviet bloc country near the Gulf. Wayne's Gulf team will be a partner in this new ministry. The goals of the center include:

1. provide a safe place for new church believers to go for spiritual, emotional, and practical equipping
2. produce media ministry materials
3. provide summer outreach media and art camps for Gulf young people
4. be a short-term emergency refuge for new church believers needing to leave their community quickly due to safety issues
5. be an affordable retreat location for missionaries and workers from all nationalities in the region

Pray for vision, leadership, and finances to make this center a reality.

Wayne and Jeannie received a nice donation of media equipment, but need someone in the Rochester, New York, area to pick these items up, pack, and ship.

Prayer Concerns

Bonnie Kaufman, as she continues to recover at Newton Medical Center

Shelby Kaufman (daughter-in-law to Mike and Connie) who is dealing with migraine issues

Jerod Kaufman, as he moves into Bethel College this weekend. Also pray for all teachers, students and administration as schools across the area begin again.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for the WDC Stewardship Commission as they meet this week to review the WDC's financial activity, and encourage generous support and participation in the ministries of WDC.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Robin Gingerich of Mennonite Mission Network has served with LCC International University in Lithuania through teaching and administration ministries for 16 years. Pray for her as she continues in this role and as she gives hope to refugees through educational opportunities.

Mission Mosaic in the pew

Argentina Global Mission Partnerships & Bolivia Global Mission Partnerships, pg 40-41

Summer Prayer Focus

Pray for Come and See Sunday and our 130 year anniversary, to be held on September 23, that new people would come and see God's faithfulness.



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:
August 19: Mel Becker, Bruce Dyck

We wish a "**Happy Anniversary**" to:
August 20: David & Marlene Wiens