

## 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: *He rained down on them manna to eat, and gave them the grain of heaven (Psalm 78:24)*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome                      Karen Loganbill  
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 78:23-29  
They ate and were well filled / **for the Lord gave them what they wanted.**

Greeting in Christ's peace

**\*\*Celebrating in song** (words on the screen)                      Praise Team  
*Let there be peace on earth (S&R # 53)*  
*Peace in Christ*  
*My Peace*

Scripture                      Matthew 7:24-29                      Crysta Guhr

Message                      "Authentically Christian"                      Eugene Thieszen

**Song of Response**                      *O day of peace*                      HWB # 408

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**                      *You shall go out with joy*                      HWB # 427

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

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

Greeters: Leon & Virginia Guhr  
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

*Please welcome Gene Thieszen as he preaches the word this morning! Eugene (Gene) Thieszen grew up in the farming community of Henderson, NE and in Bethesda Mennonite Church. He served in Botswana as a mission pilot under MCC and under COM/AIMM as an African Independent Church ministry partner. Gene has pastored rural Mennonite churches in Cordell, OK and Hanston, KS where he still lives. His hobbies are photography and storm chasing.*

### Sermon Notes

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

## **Sunday, August 12, 2018**

**9:15 AM:** Group conversation      **10:30 AM:** Worship Service  
**Message:** Clarence Rempel      **Scripture:** Connie Kaufman  
**Worship Leader:** Connie Kaufman      **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Greeters:** Mike & Connie Kaufman  
**Ushers:** Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

### **Coming Events**

Aug. 5:      Group conversation for pastor/congregational review  
                 9:15-10:15 AM in Fellowship Hall  
Aug. 12:      Group conversation for pastor/congregational review  
                 9:15-10:15 AM in Fellowship Hall  
                 Pastor Clarence Rempel preaches  
Aug. 19:      No Sunday School  
Aug. 26:      CDT breakfast and celebration  
Sept. 9:      Pastoral review report to the congregation  
Sept. 16:      Congregational vote on new term for Pastor Brad  
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

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. The last group conversation for our pastoral/congregational review will be August 12 for those who signed up for that Sunday. If you have not signed up, talk with Karen Loganbill. The discussion will take place **9:15-10:15 am** in Fellowship Hall.

2. Calling all kids, youth, and their families! Mark your calendars for an end-of-summer bash at Will and Ellen Kaufman's, August 19, 5:00-8:00 PM! We'll roast hotdogs and s'mores around a bonfire and play games under God's big sky.

3. We're celebrating 70 years of camp and an amazing summer of over 600 campers at our annual Camp Sing at Hesston Mennonite Church on August 12 at 6:30pm. A freewill offering will be taken to sponsor our 2019 summer youth campers as part of our extravaganza of singing, popcorn, generic pop, and fun times with friends. We'll see you there!

## **General Announcements**

4. The annual MCC Flatlander Bike Ride will be held on Saturday, September 15. Funds raised will go toward an MCC water development project in Guatemala. Rides of approximately 35, 45, and 65 miles as well as a shorter family ride are planned. Donations are accepted as well. Checks can be made payable to MCC with Flatlander Bike Ride in the memo line and mail to MCC, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. A brochure is on the foyer table.

5. MennoGrass 2018: Come join us at the Tabor Mennonite Church Park (891 N. Chisholm Trail, Newton) on Sunday, August 26 for a fun evening full of food, fellowship and great music. There is no cost for the event, but please bring lawn chairs if you have them. Supper will be served beginning at 5:30 pm and music will be from 6-8 pm. Our two groups this year are Hopeful Blues and the Smoky Valley Bluegrass Band. A poster is in the foyer. If you have any questions, please call 620-367-2318 or email [tabor@tabormennonite.org](mailto:tabor@tabormennonite.org). We look forward to seeing you there!

6. 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.

7. Brochure and fliers promoting the vision and programs of the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS) can be found on the bulletin board by the drinking fountain.

8. Everence will hold an informative workshop on Tuesday, Aug. 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. The workshops are presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com).

9. The 2018 issue of Mennonite Life, Bethel College's annual online journal, is now live at [ml.bethelks.edu](http://ml.bethelks.edu). It includes several papers from the conference Crossing the Line: Women of Anabaptist Traditions Encounter Borders and Boundaries, held at Eastern Mennonite University in June 2017, and from the Mennonites and the Holocaust conference at Bethel in March 2018; a senior seminar paper on 50 years of the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus; a look at the closing of Grace University in Omaha, Nebraska; book reviews; and much more.

10. 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 Concerns**

Dave Wedel, recovering after surgery.

Dave & Zettie Wedel's son-in-law, Matthew, as he deploys for the next 10 months. Also pray for his family: Stephanie, Chandler and Aiden.

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

Give thanks for the learning, fellowship, worship and inspiration that participants experienced at WDC Annual Assembly last weekend.

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

Join Mennonite Mission Network in thanking God for Benin Bible Institute's 25 years of training church leaders from more than 70 denominations. Pray for faith-filled and dynamic teachers to step into the positions of those who are retiring.

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

Freddy & Margrit Kipfer Barron in Bolivia; Paul & Hildi Amstutz in Paraguay, pg 38

### **Summer Prayer Focus**

Pray for our sister church in San Juan de Cotabambas, Peru, and Felix, their pastor. Pastor Brad is teaching during a leadership training event this week in the Peruvian Mennonite church in Cuzco.



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

August 6: William Kempf, Arlen Fast, Brandon  
Arzola

August 7: Kandyce Nelson

August 8: Geneva Wedel

August 11: Daniel Kaufman

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:

August 5: Dave & Zettie Wedel

August 6: Dwayne & Deanne Schmidt

August 11: Keith & Amy Krehbiel, Jeremy & Brittany  
Kessler