

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: *What are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? (Psalm 8:4).*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Geneva Wedel
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 8 (HWB # 812)

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song**

Come, ye thankful people come HWB # 94
A mighty fortress is our God HWB # 165

Scripture Romans 8:18-30 Harvey Thiessen

Message "Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *Let all mortal flesh keep silence* HWB # 463

Offering (*During the offering time in month of October, we invite you to bring forward supplies for MCC relief buckets.*)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

I come with joy to meet my Lord
(vss. 1,3,5)

HWB # 459

Celebrating at the Lord's Table
HWB # 660 *The Lord be with you* (on screen)

HWB # 75 Holy, holy, holy (vs.1)

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

**Sending Song *The Lord lift you up* STJ # 73

**Benediction

**Postlude

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

Hearing assistance devices are available on request at sound desk.

Greeter(s): Ken Stucky
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Sermon notes can be found after announcements

Sunday, October 14, 2018

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad Roth **Scripture:** Zettie Wedel
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Greeter(s): Harvey and Lois Thiessen **Music:** Chancel Choir
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Coming Events

Today: Communion in worship, West Zion Concert at 7 PM
Oct. 10: Men's Bible Study at AG360 6:30-7:30 AM, MYM,
Chicken casserole meal, 6-6:30, Choir 7:00
Oct. 11: Christian Homemaker work night at the church
Oct. 14: West Zion picnic 5:00 PM at Lohrenz farm
Oct. 17: Men's Bible Study at AG360 6:30-7:30 AM, MYM,
Tator tot casserole 6-6:30, Choir 7:00
Oct. 20: SPACE meets at 9:00 AM
Oct. 24: MYM, Taco meal 6-6:30, Choir 7:00
Oct. 26-27: Dallas, TX: WDC Year of Evangelism event: "Telling
the Jesus Story"
Oct. 29: MCC Meat Canning event (NOTE DATE CHANGE)
Nov. 11: Noon meal and Budget meeting, Deacon vote
Nov. 25: Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite, speaker Byron
Pellecer

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. **Eight pies** are needed from West Zion for the October 25 Pine Village benefit. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Any kind of pie is welcome.
2. All are welcome to the **West Zion Concert** tonight at 7 PM in the sanctuary. Featured performers are: Josué & Diego Dick, violinists; Open Road, Bethel College men's ensemble; Sunflower Trio, Matthew Schloneger, tenor, Rebecca Schloneger, violin, Ken Rodgers, keyboard; Ken Rodgers, organ; and Donna Stucky, piano. A free-will offering will be received and refreshments will be served.
3. The **men's Bible Study** has begun, come join us! We will meet Wednesday mornings 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360 in their Conference Room (101 N Christian downtown). We'll be diving into the practical faith of the Letter of James. Questions? Talk to Pastor Brad.
4. Join us October 14, 5:00 PM, for our **annual church picnic at Phil and Lorene Lohrenz's!** We'll provide hot dogs, buns, smores, and drinks. Bring table service, a lawn chair, roasting sticks (if you have some), side dish OR chips. Talk to Pastor Brad if you need a ride. **Directions:** From the four way stop in Moundridge: Go 4 miles south to Dutch Ave. Turn West (right) go 3 miles to North Golden Prairie Rd. Turn South (left) on sand road go 2 1/2 miles. Their driveway will be to your right. DeKalb Seed Sign at the end of driveway.
5. A fund has been set up to help **cover registration** for Camp Mennoscah for kids who would not otherwise be able to go. The Christian Discipleship Team already provides half scholarships for all West Zion kids, and this fund will be used when needed to meet the other half. If you would like to donate to it, please make your check out to West Zion and put Camp Mennoscah Fund in memo line.
6. Christian Homemakers' project is **collecting all kinds of used greeting cards**. Please include the entire card and the useable parts will be cut for use. They will be sent to the St. Jude's Children's Ranch to be used for certain projects. There is a box on the shelf in the lobby.

7. Christian Homemakers are sponsoring the **collection of items for relief kits for MCC** during the month of October. A list of items can be found in the foyer. You may bring items or a monetary donation anytime during the month of October. Homemakers will purchase items to complete the kits with the monetary donations. On November 8th we will be putting the relief kits together at the MCC center in North Newton. This is a great need for MCC at this time.

8. The **Moundridge Food Pantry** (located at the NW door of the Moundridge Senior Center - 100 North Schmidt) requests your help for those less fortunate. A list of items needed can be found by the labeled box in the foyer. We also accept checks (to the Moundridge Food Bank) and those can be placed in the offering plate. Thank you for helping our community! - Lory Fisher

General Announcements

9. The Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural Museum will host a Fall Heritage Lecture on Saturday, Oct. 13 at 9:30 AM at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Fellowship Hall. Information can be found on the foyer bulletin board.
10. Hesston College students this year represent 22 nations and the Cultures Fair highlights the best of each of these countries. There will be delicious food, beverage and snack samples from around the world as well as singing and storytelling (en español). Come to the Hesston Mennonite Church Community Center at 7:00 PM on October 8 and enjoy a six-continent tour...right here at home! Contact Carlota Ponds, Director of International Student Support, if needed at 620-327-8210 or carlota.ponds@hesston.edu.
11. Comforter Mini Blitz will be October 12 and 13: If you can tie a knot, you can tie a comforter! Join in the fun at this relaxed, come-and-go event at MCC in North Newton held Friday, October 12, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Saturday, October 13, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Before you know it, you'll have helped to spread warmth and love around the world! Check out mcc.org/comforter-mini-blitz for more details or contact katemast@mcc.org. All ages are welcome.
12. The Prairie Window Concert Series will feature Phoebe Hunt & The Gatherers on Sunday, October 14th at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum in Hesston. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Arboretum members receive a 10% discount. Purchase tickets online or call 620-327-8127 to reserve your seats.

13. MennoMedia needs your help to make the new Voices Together hymnal a reality by Fall 2020. Before any copies are sold, MennoMedia will invest more than \$700,000. Everence and MCC U.S. have issued a matching grant challenge of up to \$100,000. Make a gift today and have it doubled! Give at VoicesTogetherHymnal.org.

14. "Anabaptist History: Trachselwald Castle and Other Events in the Emmental" is the topic at the next Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association (SMCHA) fall banquet on Thursday, October 18 at 6:00 PM by speakers Don and Joanne Hess Siegrist. Dinner is \$20 per plate and will be held at Bethel College. RSVP by phone or text to Barbara Stucky at 620-386-0186 before Friday, October 12.

Sermon Notes

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?
Romans 8:18-30

Theme

When bad things happen, God's Spirit gives us hope.

Key Verse

(Romans 8:28) We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Notes

A Prayer

God who draws all things together according to your eternal purposes, send your Spirit to transform our suffering toward your hope.

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

Prayers for Joys and Concerns

Mary Graber and family, as Mary enters her last days.

Roma Koehn, Jeannette's sister-in-law

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for Bethel College (North Newton, KS) as it celebrates president Jonathan Gering's inauguration today, and give thanks for WDC's longstanding partnership with Bethel in nurturing church-related higher education.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Tomorrow is Indigenous Peoples Day. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the descendants of White settlers to understand their complicity in the oppression of the original inhabitants of this land. Pray also for mission workers who support marginalized people groups in reclaiming their land, their language, and their dignity.

Mission Mosaic in the pew

Destinee Wells, Mary Baldwin, Clayton Lehman, Jaime Tschetter with MVS in Arizona



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:
October 12: Ellen Kaufman, Krystal Toro

We wish a "**Happy Anniversary**" to:
October 9: William & Lori Schmidt