

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: *Keep me safe, O God, for in you I take refuge. (Psalm 16:1)*

Prelude Carla Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship “The Way He was Raised” Sam Shilts

Call to Worship, Psalm 16
Lord, in you I trust / **you are my God!**

Greeting in Christ’s peace

****Celebrating in song**
Come, now is the time to worship STJ 9
My soul is filled with joy STJ 13

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12 Tracy Duffman

Special Music “I’ll Fly Away” Sam Shilts

Message “Live Quietly and Work Hard” Pastor Brad

Song of Response *For the fruit of all creation* HWB 90

Bible Presentation

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

**Sending Song Fairest Lord Jesus HWB 117

**Benediction

**Postlude

****please stand if able**

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

Thank you to Sam Shilts for bringing special music this morning.

Greeter(s): Mel & Kathi Becker
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Live Quietly and Work Hard
1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Theme

Christ calls us to follow him in daily life.

Key Verse

(1 Thessalonians 4:11) Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you.

Notes

A Prayer

God who builds the Kingdom through your subtle labors, call and inspire us to join you in the ongoing work of your Son.

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

Mission Sunday, November 25, 2018

At Eden Mennonite Church

9:30 AM: Worship at Eden Mennonite

10:40 AM: Sunday School at Eden Mennonite

Message: Byron Pellecer

Noon: FEWZ Youth fundraiser meal

No Sunday School or Worship at West Zion

Coming Events

Nov. 21: No Chancel Choir

Nov. 25: Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite at 9:30 AM,
speaker Byron Pellecer, Youth fundraiser meal

Nov. 28: Safe Sanctuary training 6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall
Children's Choir practice 6:30-7 (in ramp room),
Choir 7:00 PM

Dec. 1: 3:30 Hanging of the Greens, 5:00 pm Tasting Bee &
money tree baby shower for the Roth family

Dec. 5: Children's Choir practice 6:30-7 in Fellowship Hall,
Choir 7:00 PM

Dec. 9: Christian Homemaker Christmas gathering

Dec. 12: Children's Choir practice 6:30-7, Choir 7:00,
Church Council 8:00 PM

Dec. 16: Children's Choir sings during morning worship

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. Next Sunday, **November 25 will be a joint worship and Sunday School with Eden and First Mennonite held at Eden at 9:30 AM.** Our speaker for the morning will be Byron Pellecer, associate conference minister for Western District Conference. In this role, Byron supports congregations and pastors in Texas and works to nurture emerging congregations. Byron will lead the adult Sunday school time following worship sharing stories about his work with Hispanic churches and ministries. The youth of the three churches (FEWZ) will hold a fundraiser meal to cover MCUSA conference expenses in 2019 (Kansas City, July 2-6). Our combined churches will receive an offering for Western District Church Planting Commission and not for individual churches. **Please give West Zion offerings either the week before or the week after.**
2. All are invited to **Hanging of the Greens** on Saturday, Dec. 1 at 3:30 pm, a time to help decorate the church for Christmas. **A Tasting Bee meal and baby shower** for the Roth family will begin around 5:00 pm. Please bring favorite finger foods (a cake will be served as well). Brad and Lici have been able to acquire most baby items needed from friends and family so are requesting a money shower to help them travel to Peru so little baby Roth can meet the family! Bring cash or checks (written to Brad or Lici Roth). You can put the money in a card, or a money tree with holders will be available. For questions, contact Carla Stucky or Karen Loganbill.
3. A **West Zion greeters list** will be put together in the next few weeks. Greeters are needed each Sunday to greet at the front door before Sunday School and church. If you no longer wish to greet, or if you are interested in becoming a greeter, see Carla Stucky.
4. A **half sheet of bulletin announcements** will be typed up to insert into the Eden Nov. 25 bulletin. Today is the deadline for those announcements.
5. Due to weather **Christian Homemakers** postponed trip to MCC to fill the relief buckets. Plans are to go Monday, November 26th, leaving the church at 1 pm.

6. **Cradle to Crayons** provides loving childcare for the community and is developing a fresh supply of Christian resources to aid in its ministry. If you would like to give the gift of introducing young children to God's love, go to www.amazon.com and hover over the Account & Lists icon. Click on "Find a List or Registry" and search for Cradle to Crayons. You will find a wish list of quality faith-based toys and books from which to choose a gift for our local childcare center.

7. There's a **thank-you poster** created by MYM kids and leaders in the foyer. Thanks to everyone who cooked, served, and helped to make this a great fall season! We averaged around 50 kids in K-4. Each week they learned about who God is, what it means to follow Jesus, and dived into a Bible presentation geared toward their age.

8. **Safe Sanctuary training, November 28, 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall.** This training is for those who were unable to attend the first Safe Sanctuary training at the end of September. We'll discuss our West Zion Safe Sanctuary policy and have you fill out reference/background check forms. Completing the training and having a current reference/background check on file is a requirement to work with kids at West Zion.

9. At West Zion, we're committed to keeping kids safe. As part of our commitment, we have created a Safe Sanctuary policy. A copy of the **West Zion Safe Sanctuary policy** is in the church library, or talk to the church office.

10. 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.

General Announcements

11. Everence® will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Saturday, Dec. 1, 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 the 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.

12. All area churches are invited to attend this year's Winter Luminary Walk, "The Prairie Sleeps" at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston. The Luminary Walk will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on November 23, 24 & 30, and December 1. Admission to the event is \$6 for Adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 15, or advanced tickets can be purchased at dyckarboretum.org or at the Arboretum office for \$5 for adults and \$2 for children ages 3 to 12. More info is on the board.

During the season of Advent (beginning Dec. 2), we'll be collecting for our annual White Christmas Project. This year, we're gathering items in support of the Mt. Hope Sanctuary in McPherson, a Christian organization that provides transitional housing, life-changing programming, and support services to single mothers and children. Items we'll be collecting are listed below, and CDT will place a board in the foyer starting in December. Director Julie Holloway will join us on Dec. 2 to share about the work of Mt. Hope Sanctuary. You can also learn more at: <http://www.mthopesanctuary.org/>.

Current needs of Mt. Hope Sanctuary (collection beginning Dec.2)

- *Paper Towels*
- *Ice Melt*
- *Hair Conditioner*
- *Swiffer duster refills*
- *100 watt LED Outdoor Floodlight Bulbs*
- *Toilet Paper*
- *Laundry Detergent*
- *Baby friendly laundry detergent*
- *Coffee Beans*
- *13 gallon tall kitchen trash bags*
- *30 gallon outdoor trash bags*
- *Automatic Dishwasher Soap*
- *Ziplock type Freezer Bags (Quart and Gallon) (does not need to be brand name)*
- *Dryer Sheets*

Prayers for Joys and Concerns

Nancy Ottley, who has been in and out of the hospital recently

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC congregations in pastoral transition, as they seek God's direction for the future.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Mary Raber, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, is seeking temporary resident status in Ukraine. Pray for patience with the bureaucratic process and that God will open the way for a document that gives her greater freedom for ministry.

Mission Mosaic in the pew

Amanda Geltmacher, Alena Walter, Isabelle Bowman, Megan Campbell with Service Adventure in Mississippi, pg 59



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:
November 20: Brice Loganbill
November 21: David Wiens