

## 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: *The LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish (Psalm 1:6).*

Prelude    Carla Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome    Vicky Kessler  
    The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 1 (on screen)

Greeting in Christ's peace

**\*\*Celebrating in song**      *God of our strength*                      HWB 36  
  *Holy, holy, holy!*                                      HWB 120

Scripture, Luke 2:22-40 (The Message -read antiphonally) Geneva Wedel  
    **Let your servant now go in peace, O Lord,  
    Now go in peace according to your word.**

Message      "Go in Peace, According to your Word"      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**      *I want to walk as a child of the light*      STJ 95

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**      *Lord, let us now depart in peace*      HWB 428

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

**\*\*please stand if able**

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

Greeter(s): Ken Stucky  
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

### Sermon Notes

Go in Peace, According to your Word  
Luke 2:22-40

### Theme

What's your purpose and God's promise?

### Key Verse

(Luke 2:29-31) "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people.

### Notes

### A Prayer

O Lord, awaken in us a hearty sense of your purpose and calling on our lives, that we might receive with gladness all that you have promised us.

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

## **Baptismal Sunday, February 24, 2019**

**9:30 AM:** Sunday School      **10:30 AM:** Worship Service  
**Message:** Pastor Brad Roth      **Scripture:** Mateo Roth  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad      **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Greeter(s):** Harvey & Lois Thiessen      **Music:** Chancel Choir  
**Ushers:** Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler  
**Communion will be served**

### **Coming Events**

Feb. 18: Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM  
Feb. 20: Fell. Hall used for ACT testing 7 am-noon  
MYM 5:45 PM, Pancake meal 6 PM  
Chancel Choir 7 PM  
Feb. 24: Baptismal Sunday  
Feb. 25: Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM  
Feb. 27: MYM 5:45 PM, Chicken Casserole meal 6 PM  
Chancel Choir 7 PM  
March 4-5: Pictures taken for new photo directory  
March 6: Men's Bible Study at AG360 6:30-7:30 AM  
Ash Wednesday service 6:30-7 PM  
April 12-13: MCC Sale at KS State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson

**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

Church: 620-345-8143

Carla's cell: 620-386-0414

Church's email: [secretary@westzionmc.org](mailto:secretary@westzionmc.org)

Website: [www.westzionmc.org](http://www.westzionmc.org)

## West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.

1. Next Sunday we will **baptize** several young people and celebrate the Lord's Supper! Let's prepare our hearts and remember our own baptisms so that we can come with joy to the table of the Lord.
2. Thanks to everyone who contributed to Mission Team's collection for the Middle/High School's "**No Kid Hungry**" program. In total, we're sending \$500 to the school to help feed hungry kids!
3. From **Dale and the family of Elda Jantzen**: We wish to thank Pastor Brad and West Zion Mennonite Church for being there for Elda in health and in sickness and on February 1 and 2, as we celebrated her life and homegoing. Thanks Pastor Brad for your guidance and wisdom, thanks Donna Stucky for your beautiful music, thanks Leon Guhr for the help with sound, thanks ushers, thanks Connie Graber for arranging the lunch, and thanks lunch helpers and contributors! We enjoyed the sandwiches; the salads and cakes were extra delicious! Thank you West Zion Mennonite Church for your wonderful hospitality! Praise the Lord!
4. A **silver earring was found** in the parking lot and is hanging on the foyer bulletin board.
5. **Christian Homemakers** will attend the MCC Comforter Blitz on Monday March 4 at Yoder. To car pool, we will leave from the church at 8:45 am to be at Carriage Crossing for a brunch at 9:30. We will go to the Blitz following that. Please let Jan Dyck know if you plan to go. The 12<sup>th</sup> annual annual **Comforter Blitz** will take place March 4-6 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder. Times are Monday 9-5, Tuesday 9-5, and Wednesday 9-4. No sewing skills are required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. Bring snacks to share during the work day.
6. **Check it out!** New at the WZ library: *The Healing* is the second in a Wanda Brunstetter's Kentucky Brothers series (we also have one and three!); *Smith's Story of the Mennonites* by C. Henry Smith, a thorough history of the Mennonites donated by Mary Graber's estate; *Hearts Entwined* by Karen Witemeyer; and the Swiss Volhynian Recipe book by Jeanette Krehbiel Wedel, with DVD's of recipe demonstrations. These new books can be found on display in the foyer. You can see what books the library offers by going to the West Zion church website under "Who we are." Remember to use the new

computerized check out system! Contact Gerry Major, Carla Stucky, or Karen Loganbill if you need help with that.

7. **Join us beginning Wednesday, March 6** from 6:30-7:30 AM for a **men's Bible study** on Paul's letter to the Philippians. We'll meet Wednesdays in the AG360 conference room downtown for a time of conversation and deepening our understanding of God's word.

8. We're creating a **new photo directory**, and we want all of our West Zion families to appear in it! Pictures will be taken March 4-5. You can sign up with Lorene Lohrenz and Marlene Wiens after church or go to <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ye37kr14/>.

## General Announcements

9. Do you know where **Kansans have worked with MDS** in the last year? Do you know where you could serve with MDS for a day, a week, or longer? Join us at Eden Mennonite Church, 401 18th Ave, Moundridge on Sunday, February 24 at 2:00 p.m. for a review of the past year and to hear about experiences of people who have served various places.
10. Recounting the tender and familiar story of the parent-child relationship, **Hesston College will present** five performances of the musical *Big Fish*, Feb. 27 to March 3, in the Keim Center Black Box Theatre. Showtimes are at 7 p.m., Feb. 27 to March 2, and 2 p.m., on Sunday, March 3. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Seating is limited. Purchase tickets at [hesston.edu/big-fish-tix](http://hesston.edu/big-fish-tix) or at the Hesston College Bookstore during regular business hours or by calling 620-327-8105. *Big Fish* is a family-friendly musical for all ages.
11. What is well with your soul? All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission (WDWM) **Spring Supper** on Thursday, March 21 at First Mennonite Church in McPherson. Speaker Sheryl Wilson, Executive Director of KIPCOR will speak on *Finding Your Peace*. Supper begins at 6:00 PM and tickets are \$10 per plate. Details are on the bulletin board.
12. Everence® will host an all-inclusive **retirement planning workshop** on Saturday, March 2, from 9-11:30 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 Everence Financial Advisors, 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).

## MCC SALE April 12-13

MCC Contacts: Mike & Connie Kaufman  
Visit our website at [www.kansas.mccsale.org](http://www.kansas.mccsale.org) or like us  
on Facebook at Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Anyone wishing to make a donation towards the MCC sale budget can place a check in the offering earmarked for MCC budget.

We're collecting coins for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) through the Coins Count offering. MCC works in 57 countries to do relief, development, and peace-building. Our kids will collect coins during the offering to deposit in a special tub, so check under your sofa cushions and bring out the jar of spare change. Our coins help make MCC's vital work possible!

Quilters' Corner: Volunteers are welcome and needed each Tuesday evening 7-9 pm at the MCC Center in North Newton to help sort and price items for the Sale as well as each third Saturday of the month (Jan 19, Feb 15, Mar 15) any time between 9 am - 3 pm. Quilting donations are also welcome and needed. You can give donations to Connie Kaufman or bring directly to the MCC Center with the indication that they are for Quilters' Corner.

The 22nd annual Run/Walk for Relief 5k is an event of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale taking place April 12 & 13, 2019 at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson, KS. The race begins in Rice Park, Hutchinson, at 8am on April 13th and is an out and back course on the paved J.P. Martinez Trail. Registration forms can be found online or ask Connie Kaufman.



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:  
February 22: Terry Kessler, Nancy Ottley

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:  
February 18: Dave & Julie Buller

## WZ Joys and Concerns

Kent, Lois, and Paul (Gerry Major's nephew, sister, and brother-in-law) as Kent continues to struggle with Parkinson's

Family and friends of Ruth Ann Huxman who passed away on February 4. Rosanne Hayes knew Ruth Ann through her work at Bethesda home.

**Prayer Requests** from our missionary partners, the Larsons

- The peace of a young Pakistani doctor and her asylum case. (She had to flee because of her faith in Jesus.)
- The progress of the Safe Haven in Georgia for people like this young doctor
- Sue's new media ministry
- Wayne as he travels in North Africa and the Arabian Peninsula in the next 2 weeks
- A major regional conference in Malta

**Praises** from the Larsons:

- Wayne and Jeannie's time back in North Africa where they had lived for years
- New administrative assistant, Narita

## Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for the WDC Church Planting Commission as they meet this week to work on guidelines for church planting, and for Byron Pellecer, WDC Associate Conference Minister who provides coaching and mentoring for church planters.

## Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado of Mennonite Mission Network are serving at *La Casa Grande* children's home in Benin. Pray for good health and open hearts as Diana and Felipe teach English, assist with gardening, and share God's love with each child.

## Mission Mosaic

Lillian, Norm, Nadine, & Kenneth Nicolson in Burkina Faso; Martine, Gary, Samuel, & Antony Audeoud Wittig in Africa, pg 7-8