

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth (Psalm 71:5).*

Prelude Carla Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 71:1-6
In you, O LORD, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.
In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me.
Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.
Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.
For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.
Upon you I have leaned from my birth;
it was you who took me from my mother's womb.
My praise is continually of you.

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song** *Holy God, we praise thy name* HWB 121

Scripture Jonah 1 Mateo Roth

Song *Out of the depths I cry to you* HWB 133

Scripture Jonah 2 Mateo Roth

Message "Three Dark Days" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *Be thou my vision* HWB 545

Offering

Blessing of children and teachers

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *The love of God* STJ 44

****Benediction**

****Postlude** ****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Carl and Tracy Duffman
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Three Dark Days
Jonah 1-2

Theme

What are ways that you run from God?

Key Verse

(Jonah 1:3a) Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish.

Notes

A Prayer

O Lord, whose love pursues us until the ends of the earth and the end of our selves, do not give up on your children.

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

Sunday, September 1, 2019

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM: Worship Service**
Message: Pastor Brad **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Carla Stucky
Greeter(s): Jan Dyck
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Coming Events

Today: CDT Breakfast 9:30 AM
Sept. 1: Sunday School begins again 9:30 AM
Sept. 4: Chancel Choir organizational meeting 7:00 PM
Sept. 8: Evangelism workshop 9:30 AM during SS hour,
 congregational picture taken after worship
Sept. 15: Come and See Sunday, meal following
Sept. 18: Moundridge Youth Ministries and meals begin, will
 be held on Wednesdays through November 6 at WZ
Sept. 29: Church Picnic at the Lohrenz farm
Nov. 10: Meal and Annual Budget Meeting
Nov. 17: Joint Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite 9:30 AM

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

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 Thurs. 1-4 pm

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West Zion Announcements

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

1. Join us for Christian Discipleship **breakfast at 9:30** AM this morning. All are invited!
2. We're launching **fall Sunday School** on September 1 @ 9:30 AM! There's a class for all ages. Sunday School is a way to grow in the knowledge of God and the Scriptures and deepen our walk of faith.
3. Join **Pastor Brad for "Faith Questions"** our adult Sunday School class, launching September 1 @ 9:30 AM. We'll dive into some of the big questions that we all carry about the Bible, God, and life. Come check it out!
4. The **construction** for the new front entryway of our church will begin on Monday, August 26. The project should be completed in 2-3 days.
5. A **congregational picture** will be taken on Sunday, September 8 immediately following church.
6. **Moundridge Youth Ministries and meals** begin again on Wednesday, September 18 and will meet on Wednesdays through Nov. 6. Please let Connie Kaufman know if you are willing to continue working with a meal group. New volunteers are always welcome!
7. On Sunday, September 1st, a **softball game and home run derby** will take place at Grasshopper Field in Moundridge to show support for Lorie, Lynn, Noah and Kate Eichelberger. Lorie beat breast cancer 5 years ago and has only recently been diagnosed with a recurring form of this cancer, now in her leg. The evening will begin with a free will donation supper at 5. A light-hearted adult softball game between Inman and Moundridge will follow at 6. The evening will conclude with a home run derby where anyone can join.
8. Join us on September 8, 9:30 AM (during the Sunday School hour) for an **evangelism workshop!** Let's refresh our evangelistic edge as we think about inviting friends and neighbors for Come and See Sunday on September 15.

9. An organizational meeting of **Chancel Choir** will take place on Wednesday, September 4 at 7:00 pm. All those interested in joining choir are invited to attend.

10. Get away from BUSY and relax! Come join us at the **2019 Women & Girls' Retreat** September 6-8 at Camp Mennoscah. There are many fun things to choose from; Bible study, art, yoga, mental health and spirituality, or free time! Registration forms are available in the foyer. Tammy Duvenal Unruh will speak on the topic of Fearless! **Registration forms are due August 26;** there is a late fee of \$10 after that.

11. On Sunday September 29 (change of date) a West Zion **Church Picnic** will be held at the Lohrenz farm. Watch this space for details!

12. **Cat's Closet:** This is the last Sunday to collect items for the Cat's Closet. Thank you to all who contributed!

General Announcements

13. Moundridge Arts Council presents **Bluegrass group Kilometer 81** in concert on Monday, September 2 at 7:30 pm at the Moundridge High School auditorium. Free admission but donations will be accepted for the Arts Council (make checks out to Moundridge Arts Council). Kilometer 81 is the Ken Regier family from Newton and includes Matt Graber who is the Moundridge music teacher.

14. The Pine Village annual **Benefit Day Auction and Dinner** will be Thursday, October 24. If you are interested in donating an item or service for the auction, please have it delivered to Pine Village by September 20. The online auction begins October 1 at www.pinevillageks.org/benefitday. Financial contributions are welcome as well and can be done online at the same website.

15. The annual **MCC Flatlander Bike Ride** will be held on Saturday, Sept. 21. This year's ride will raise funds for an MCC water development project in Nigeria. A brochure can be found on the foyer bulletin board. If you would like to contribute, make your check payable to MCC with "Flatlander Bike Ride" in the memo line. Send to MCC, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117.

16. **Get involved with something BIG – record breaking BIG!** MCC is celebrating our 100th anniversary and attempting to collect 6,500

comforters to deliver to people in need all around the world. Get involved by tying a comforter on January 18, 2020 (mark your calendars now!). We are looking for people to host a comforter tying event in their community. Contact Kate Mast at 316.283.2720 or katemast@mcc.org for details, supplies and resources. It's more than a warm blanket – it's a message of love and compassion.

17. Sun., Sept. 8 – **KIPCOR Film Series**, *Lost Angels: Skid Row is My Home*, 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium at Bethel College. Talk-back follows with James Wilson, New Hope Shelter, Newton, and a member of the Wichita Police Department's Homeless Outreach Team. KIPCOR will also be organizing a series of free public events Sept. 8-22 in connection with the 2019 Campaign Nonviolence Week of Action. See kipcor.org or call 316-284-5217 for more information.

18. MCC will dedicate a **new storage building** on September 4 at 10 AM. Please join us as we give thanks for the generous gifts that made the building possible and the ongoing work of MCC. Donuts and coffee will be served. Questions? Please call 316.283.2720.

19. **Comforter Mini Blitz, September 27 & 28 at MCC in North Newton!** If you can tie a knot, you can tie a comforter! Come and join in the fun at this come-and-go event. Bring your friends and family! Hours for the event are Sept. 27 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sept. 28 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Find out more at mcc.org/comforter-blitz. Questions, contact katemast@mcc.org, 316.283.2720.

20. Information on hosting an **exchange student** can be found on the bulletin board.

21. The Moundridge Community **Blood Drive** is scheduled for Aug. 30 from 12-6 PM at the Pine Village Wellness Center. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use "Moundridge" for the sponsor code.

22. You are invited to join MC USA staff in the Newton offices (718 N Main St, Newton KS) to hear from **Mennonite Mission Network** International Service Workers, Mark & Mary Hurst, on Wednesday Sept 4th from 2-3 pm. Mark and Mary will share about their work with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand.

West Zion Joys & Concerns

Richard and Glenda Golden's daughter, Samara

Jennifer Kaufman and fiancé Berna as wedding approaches, thankful for safe travel

Keith and Trianna Cowden struggling with difficult issues

Jeff and Becky Koller who lost their house in a fire (Becky is sister to Shery Kessler)

Friends and family of Roland Brown who recently passed away

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Give thanks for the Tabor Mennonite Church congregation as they dedicate a new fellowship hall today, and for pastor Stephen Wilcox at First Mennonite Church in Halstead, KS, as they celebrate his ordination this afternoon.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

MMN Requests prayer for Benin where post-election violence has killed more than a dozen people. Pray for peace and for the well-being of all citizens as the economy worsens. Pray also for partners – Benin Bible Institute, Bethesda Hospital, and *La Casa Grande* children's village.

Mission Mosaic

Chile Partners like Puerta del Rebanado (Door of the Sheepfold), an Anabaptist congregation in Concepcion, pg 43



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:

August 28: Marlene Wiens, Bob Loganbill

August 31: Tyler Kaufman, Larry Rupp