

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us (Psalm 79:9).*

Prelude
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 79:1-9
O Lord, send us your compassion / **and grant us your salvation!**

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song** *Here in this place* HWB 6

Scripture John 16:16-24 Mateo Roth

Message "Light At the End of The Tunnel Vision" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *My life flows on* HWB 580

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *I am weak and I need thy strength* HWB 553

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Bob & Sharon Gehring
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Light At the End of The Tunnel Vision
John 16:16-24

Theme

Jesus' resurrected presence brings joy.

Key Verse

(John 16:24b) Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.

Notes

A Prayer

Lord to whom even the darkest night is as bright as day, guide us through gloom and sadness toward your eternal light.

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

Sunday, September 29, 2019

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM: Worship Service**
Message: Pastor Brad Roth **Accompanist:** Carla Stucky
Worship Leader: Ellen Kaufman **Scripture:** Pastor Brad
Greeter(s): Leon & Virginia Guhr
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Coming Events

Sept. 25: MYM 5:45, taco meal 6-6:30 PM
Sept. 29: Church Picnic at the Lohrenz farm 5-8 PM
Oct. 2: MYM 5:45, pancake meal 6-6:30 PM
Oct. 27: West Zion Concert 7 PM
Oct. 30: Chancel Choir begins 7 PM
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

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.

1. Join us for food and fellowship at our **annual church picnic** at the Lohrenz farm, September 29, 5:00-8:00 PM! The Christian Discipleship Team will provide hotdogs and chips. Bring a side or dessert to share, as well as your table service (we'll have some extra on hand, just in case) and lawn chairs. If you have yard games, bring those along too! Address: 5321 N. Golden Prairie Rd., Burrton.
2. Join **Pastor Brad for discussion on "Faith Questions"** in the adult Sunday School class 9:30-10:15 AM through November. We'll dive into some of the big questions that we all carry about the Bible, God, and life. Upcoming questions are:
Sept. 29 – Where did the Bible come from? Is the Bible reliable?
Oct. 6 – How do we make sense of all the violence in the Bible?
Oct. 13 – What does the Bible teach about reproductive technology?
A list of all the questions can be found on the foyer bulletin board and by the Sunday School door.
3. All women are invited to **fellowship together at SPACE** (Sisters Praying and Casting Encouragement) on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 9-10 AM at the church. A light breakfast is provided.
4. **Yearbook changes:** New number for Carl Duffman is 620-798-8198; new number for Tracy Duffman is 620-798-8199; new apartment number for Taylor Stucky is Apt. 12; Wilda Schrag's new address is Maple Crest Senior Living Village, 700 Maple Crest Court, W155, Bluffton, OH 45817.
5. Someone named Janet Bair (316-215-1288) called looking for in **home health care** for an elderly couple who are relatives of hers. They live in Newton. Contact Janet if you are interested in exploring further.
6. A new **community Bible Study for women** will be starting on Monday, September 30 from 6:30-7:30 PM in the West Zion conference room. Karen Brunk will lead discussion on the book "Becoming a Woman of Influence" by Carol Kent. Women have the power to influence others whether we are trained leaders or not. We will study ways that Jesus impacted his disciples, not because of duty

but because of love. Books can be found online and cost around \$7. Contact Carla Stucky if you have questions.

7. An **email update** from our missionary partners, the Larsons, was forwarded to the West Zion email group. For those who did not receive this email, a few copies are available in the foyer.

General Announcements

8. As a service of the Moundridge United Methodist Church, we have started a short-term, **small medical equipment rental program** for the Moundridge and surrounding areas. This would involve equipment such as crutches, canes, walkers, shower seats, etc. The program is designed to be of no cost to the renter. We however would like to have the equipment returned in good condition as soon as the individual is done with it. We will clean and disinfect it for the next person. Questions concerning this program should be directed to 620-386-6453 and not the church.
9. **Bethel College and Hesston College** events can be found on the bulletin board.
10. **NEEDED:** MDS volunteers in Eureka, KS on October 5 to help complete roofs that were damaged in the 2018 tornado. Plan to meet at First Mennonite Church in Newton at 6:00 AM in the east gravel parking lot. We will be back in Newton between 5:00 and 6:00 PM. Transportation, tools, water and lunch will be provided. If you can help, please contact Jordan Miller at 1-316-217-4570 or jordanmiller795@gmail.com.
11. **Pine Village** is excited to announce the promotion of Ginger Seeber to Director of Spiritual and Life Enrichment. Ginger started as the Chaplain in 2015, and while she will continue serving as Chaplain her role has expanded. As director, Seeber will now oversee the Life Enrichment department and its team members.
12. Pine Village's next **Fabulous First Friday** will be on Friday, October 4, with the deadline to order being Friday, September 27. A new fall menu has rolled out and includes pumpkin pie, gorievei, poppyseed roll, tea rings, and Bohne Beroggi, along with cinnamon rolls, apple pie, cherry pie, and pecan pie. Order at www.pinevillageks.org or call 620.345.2900. Orders can be picked up between 7-9 a.m. on Friday, October 4 (or you can make other

arrangements). Plus, grab some breakfast of homemade cinnamon rolls and coffee for just \$3! All proceeds go toward the Benefit Day project –the facelift and remodel of The Gathering Place and original Assisted Living. There are many ways to donate, including check or cash brought into Pine Village, or online with a credit card at www.pinevillageks.org. Also, be sure to mark your calendars for the other upcoming Benefit Day events:

- September 29 – Benefit Day Variety Show
- October 1-24 – Benefit Day Online Auction
- October 24 – Benefit Day Dinner & Live Auction

13. Join MCC for a **South Texas Borderlands learning tour**, November 3-8. This learning tour will be packed with opportunities for learning about immigration. From talking with MCC partners who work in legal representation, to those that do water drops, to providing shelter to those recently released. You will also connect with people who have lived the immigrant experience, visit Mennonite churches on the border, hear perspectives from south of the border, and visit a detention center. You will have a first-hand learning experience on the impact of policy and see the hope of incredible people working to extend God’s love and compassion for all. The cost for the trip is \$700, plus airfare. Contact anahinojosa@mcc.org for more information.

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Receipts – last week	\$ 1,172.00	\$ 1,408.00
Receipts – year to date	\$102,051.71	\$109,503.47
Budget	\$162,552.00	\$158,987.00
Less: expended to date	(109,027.77)	(97,599.44)
Less: cash balance	<u>(11,160.54)</u>	<u>(27,633.41)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 42,343.69	\$ 33,754.15
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,824	\$ 2,250

West Zion Joys & Concerns

Congratulations to Jennifer Kaufman and Bernabe Suarez who were married on September 21!

Congratulations to Jan Dyck on the birth of her new great grandson Trystan Azrail, born 9/13 to Megan and Jason!

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC youth pastors, mentors, sponsors and other leaders as they nurture faith formation and support young people in our congregations and communities.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Today is Peace Sunday. Join Mennonite Mission Network in praying for and working towards a *peace that surpasses all understanding*.

Mission Mosaic

Hannah Woodson with DOOR in Miami; Darby Teander, Alexis Moore, Sydney Reid, Libby Tabarlet with DOOR in Denver, pg 47-48



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

- September 23: Craig Becker
- September 25: Sandy Jantz, Lici Roth
- September 26: Jerry Becker, Sheri Miller, Milford Wedel, Angie Thompson, Dana Loganbill

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:

- Sept. 26: Harvey & Lois Thiessen
- Sept. 28: Ken & Denise Becker