

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it. (Psalm 119:140)*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 119:137-144

You are righteous, O LORD, and your judgments are right.  
**You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness.**

My zeal consumes me because my foes forget your words.  
**Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.**

I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts.  
**Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and your law is the truth.**

Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight.

**Your decrees are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.**

Greeting in Christ's peace

**\*\*Celebrating in song**

*Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah*                      HWB 50

Scripture                      2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12                      Donna Stucky

Message                      "Will and Want"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**                      *Have thine own way*                      HWB 504

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**                      *We will follow*                      STS 40

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

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

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

### Sermon Notes

Will and Want  
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

#### Theme

We pray for God's will to be done in our lives, and for us to desire what God wills.

#### Key Verse

(2 Thessalonians 1:11) We constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith.

#### Notes

#### A Prayer

Give us the strength to follow your will and the courage to want what you want.

## **Sunday, November 10, 2019**

**9:30 AM: Sunday School**                      **10:30 AM: Worship Service**  
**Message:** Pastor Brad Roth                      **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad                      **Scripture:** Rondell Burge  
**Greeter(s):** Dorothy Toews                      **Music:** Chancel Choir  
**Ushers:** Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman  
**Potluck lunch and Budget meeting**

### **Coming Events**

Nov. 6:            LAST MYM 5:45, Tator tot casserole meal 6-6:30  
Nov. 10:           Potluck noon Meal and Annual Budget Meeting  
Nov. 16:           SPACE women's gathering 9:00 am at church  
Nov. 17:           Joint Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite 9:30 AM  
                      Sunday School and fundraiser meal following  
Nov. 24:           Noon meal and Hanging of the Greens  
Dec. 24:           Christmas Eve Service

**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. **Potluck Dinner November 10:** Everyone is invited to attend a potluck dinner prior to the **Budget meeting next Sunday**. Please bring a dish of your choice to share. Table service and drinks will be provided. The budget meeting will be held in the sanctuary following the meal.
2. All are invited to join together on November 17 at Eden Mennonite for **Mission Sunday**. This is an opportunity to worship, learn, and fellowship together with our sister churches. Eden will host First Mennonite of Christian and West Zion as we hear from Joe Sawatzky, Mennonite Mission Network. We will also fellowship together around the dinner table, at a fundraiser meal served by the joint youth group. Worship begins at 9:30AM and Sunday School follows. An offering will still be received for West Zion.
3. All women are **invited to gather** on Saturday, Nov. 16 from 9-10 AM at the church to find SPACE for God. This is a time for women of the church to get together, fellowship, eat and pray. A light breakfast will be provided.
4. **Aline Bachman** turns 90 on November 2! You are invited to send her a card to help her celebrate. Her address is 200 W. Cedar, Room 1138, Hesston, KS 67062. Visits are welcome as well.
5. **Hanging of the Greens** (decorating the church for Christmas) will take place on Sunday, November 24 following a noon meal. Connie Kaufman will organize a soup lunch and you are invited to bring Christmas goodies for dessert. All are invited to join in the fun!
6. Our **White Christmas Project** this year will be collecting materials for MCC Immigration Detainee Kits. When people are released from immigration detention centers, they often have nothing but the clothes on their back--not even shoe strings. Kits contain clothing and hygiene items to help folks make a fresh start. We'll begin gathering materials Dec.1 (beginning of Advent). Watch this space for more details!
7. The **West Zion choir** has begun practicing but it is not too late to join! We will practice each Wednesday from 7-8 pm through

December 18. We will sing the Sundays of November 10 and 24, and December 8 and 22. This would be a great time to join us in singing Thanksgiving and Christmas songs!

8. 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. The next question for Nov. 10 is Will people from other religions go to heaven?

## General Announcements

9. A list of **Bethel and Hesston College** events can be found on the bulletin board.
10. The Moundridge Community Foundation will be holding its annual **Match Day** this Thursday November 7 from 12 PM to 6 PM in the AG360 Conference Room. The Foundation is providing a \$20,000 match for donations made to the endowment funds of the participating organizations. No organization may receive a match of more than \$4,000. Five ministries of the Associated Ministries of Moundridge are participating in this event. A list of all organizations participating is on the board. To qualify for the match, contributions must be made on November 7. Online donations may be made anytime that day at [mcpersonfoundation.org/moundridge-community-foundation/](http://mcpersonfoundation.org/moundridge-community-foundation/) by clicking the Donate tab.
11. **Looking for that next great adventure? MCC SALT positions now available!** Take chances. Make mistakes. Get messy. Serving and Learning Together (SALT) is a year-long, cross-cultural service experience. Christian young adults serve internationally in a wide variety of positions. Start now at [salt.mcc.org](http://salt.mcc.org), to find answers and to apply. Application close date 02/15/20.
12. Please join us on Thursday, November 14 from noon-1 p.m. at **Mennonite Central Committee** in North Newton as we enjoy lunch and hear from Rosie Epp about her recent trip to Ukraine. Please RSVP by November 11 by calling 316.283.2720. A suggested donation for lunch is \$10 (let us know if you have a food allergy). Find out more at [mcc.org/lunchandlearn](http://mcc.org/lunchandlearn).
13. **Mennonite Mission Network** Workers Delicia Bravo and Peter Wigginton in Newton will share about their work in Ecuador on Nov. 8

at 10:00 AM at the MC USA office 718 N Main in Newton. Peter and Delicia coordinate Ecuador Partnership roles with intercultural and indigenous churches, and ministries like the Quito's church refugee program and after-school support for children.

14. Mark your calendars for the annual **MCC Christmas Soiree** on Thursday, December 12 from 5-7 p.m. at MCC in North Newton. Everyone is welcome to join us for snacks, fellowship and Christmas cheer!

15. Four area residents (Rick Krehbiel, Gordon Goering, Kathy Neufeld Dunn and Marla Schmidt) **toured the US/Mexico Borderlands** in May (sponsored by MCC) with a team of 17 individuals. They will share their experiences on Sunday, November 3, at 7:00 PM at the Pine Village Wellness Center. All are invited to come hear these personal stories and reflections on the challenges and complexities of the immigration crisis occurring along our southern border.

16. Register now for the 5th biennial **Worship & the Arts Symposium** at Bethel College, "Many Cultures, One Worship: A Foretaste of a Reconciled Heaven in a Broken World," Nov. 22-23, with David M. Bailey and Urban Doxology of Richmond, Va. See [www.bethelks.edu/worshiparts](http://www.bethelks.edu/worshiparts) or the foyer bulletin board for more information and online registration; fee reduction when 3 or more members of one congregation register as a group. Registrations requested by Nov. 11

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Receipts – last week	\$ 1,074.00	\$ 1,703.00
Receipts – year to date	\$113,716.96	\$123,018.47
 Budget	 \$162,552.00	 \$158,987.00
Less: expended to date	(129,197.05)	( 129,896.36)
Less: cash balance	<u>( 2,685.55)</u>	<u>( 14,687.82)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 30,669.40	\$ 19,402.82
 Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	 \$ 3,408	 \$ 2,156

### **Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Pray for Prairie View, a regional mental health center and institutional partner of WDC, as it nurtures healing and hope and offers resources for members of our communities and congregations.

### **Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

When Ecuador's president, Lenín Moreno, ended fuel subsidies last month, unrest erupted. Indigenous and other marginalized people seized the opportunity to protest inequalities in government policies. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for negotiations as the government and indigenous people work to create a just policy that will lead to peace.

### **Mission Mosaic**

Lucas Tarcson, Levi Ebersole, Christian Hayes, Sara Schowalter, Mindy Marinko, Cindy Headings with Service Adventure in Colorado, pg 57



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

November 6: Diann Galle, Diane Hook

November 8: Norman Funk

November 9: Ruby Koehn

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