

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *The LORD watches over all who love him (Psalm 145:20a).*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome                      Pastor Brad Roth

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

Announcements

Choral call to worship    "I Will Trust in the Lord"                      Chancel Choir

Call to Worship, Psalm 145:13b-21 (HWB 824)

Greeting in Christ's peace

**\*\*Celebrating in song**      *Great is the Lord*                      HWB 87

*I sing the mighty power of God*                      HWB 46

Scripture                      2 Thessalonians 2                      Rondell Burge

Special Music                      "In Everything Give Thanks"                      Chancel Choir

Message                      "Stand Firm and Hold Fast"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**      *Lord Jesus, you shall be my song*                      STJ 14

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**                      *Peace before us*                      STS 16

(vss.1-5)

\*\*Benediction

\*\*Postlude

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

Greeter(s): Dorothy Toews

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

### Sermon Notes

Stand Firm and Hold Fast

2 Thessalonians 2

### Theme

In times of tumult, stand firm and hold fast.

### Key Verse

(2 Thessalonians 2:15) Stand firm and hold to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

### Notes

### A Prayer

Mighty God, hold us in your steadfast love.

*Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org*

*Find us on Facebook!*

## **Mission Sunday at Eden, November 17, 2019**

**9:30 AM: Worship Service at Eden Mennonite**

**10:30 AM: Sunday School** for all ages

**Noon fundraiser meal served by youth**

**Message:** Joe Sawatzky from Mennonite Mission Network

### **Coming Events**

- 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

Pastor's Cell: 620-386-4838

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**Secretary Carla Stucky's hours:** Thurs. 9-11, 1-4 PM

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

## West Zion Announcements

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

1. Join us for a **potluck meal and budget meeting** after church. Even if you don't stay for the meeting, stay for the food!
2. All are invited to join together next Sunday November 17 **at Eden Mennonite** for **Mission Sunday** (there is no worship or SS at West Zion on Nov. 17). This is an opportunity to worship, learn, and fellowship together with our sister churches First Mennonite of Christian and Eden as we hear from Joe Sawatzky, Church Relations Representative for 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. We will be ordering **poinsettias for memorials** from Stone Creek Nursery to decorate the church and to remember loved ones. All poinsettias ordered will be used at the church for decorating through January 5. You can take them home after then if you wish. Order forms can be found by the mailboxes and need to be turned in by Sunday, November 24. Contact Carla Stucky or Bonnie Kaufman if you have questions.
4. **New address:** Rich and Margie have moved, please make this change in your yearbook. Their new phone number is 620-327-3551. Richard and Margie Huxman  
200 West Cedar, Apt 1144  
Hesston, KS 67062
5. 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.
6. **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!
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 24, December 8 and 22. Come join us!

## General Announcements

8. A list of **Bethel and Hesston College** events can be found on the bulletin board.
9. **Get involved with something BIG – record breaking BIG!** MCC is celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and attempting to collect 6500 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](mailto:katemast@mcc.org) for details, supplies and resources. It's more than a warm blanket – it's a message of love and compassion.
10. **Western District Women in Mission** will host the event "Let's Talk...Women, Money & Faith" on January 24 and 25 at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, KS, featuring speakers from Everence who will address money and faith topics for women of all ages and stages of life. Look for more information soon on Facebook under Western District Women in Mission!
11. **Everence®** will host this informative webinar on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. (EST). Participants will learn about steps to take to build healthy financial habits, how to prevent debt with spending and savings strategies and what financial health means to you. For more information, or to register, visit [www.everence.com/national](http://www.everence.com/national) or contact Melissa Short at 800-348-7468 ext. 3392 or [melissa.short@everence.com](mailto:melissa.short@everence.com)
12. **Volunteers are needed** for two work days in Eureka, KS Saturday November 16th and November 23rd. Let's plan to meet at First Mennonite Church in Newton at 6:00 am in the East gravel parking lot. We will plan to be back in Newton between 5:00 and 6:00 PM. We will be completing several roofs that were damaged in the 2018 tornado there. Transportation, tools, water and lunch will be provided. Please text, email or call Jordan Miller with any questions at 316-217-4570 or [Jordanmiller795@gmail.com](mailto:Jordanmiller795@gmail.com).

13. Halstead First Mennonite will serve their **annual mission supper** of German sausage and borscht on November 16 from 5-7 pm. More information is on the board.

14. 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).

15. 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!

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 are requested by Nov. 11.

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Receipts – last week	\$ 11,127.56	\$ 2,206.00
Receipts – year to date	\$124,844.52	\$125,224.47
Budget	\$162,552.00	\$158,987.00
Less: expended to date	(131,401.41)	( 130,756.64)
Less: cash balance	<u>( 11,609.36)</u>	<u>( 16,033.49)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 19,541.23	\$ 15,981.82
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,443	\$ 1,525

### **West Zion Joys and Concerns**

Kaleigh Guhr's teacher, Mr. Taylor, undergoing chemotherapy

Braxton and his mother, Amanda, grandson and daughter of Rosanne Hayes's

Aline Bachman, recovering from pneumonia

Carl Duffman, struggling with pneumonia

Rachel Rupp, recovering after a stroke

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

Pray for the WDC Resource Commission as it equips congregations for faith formation, justice and peacemaking, safe sanctuaries, evangelism and community connections, historical storytelling, and other aspects of congregational ministry and outreach.

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

A delegation of Mennonite Mission Network alumni and staff are on a service-learning tour in Arizona. Pray for participants this week as they worship with Shalom and Trinity Mennonite congregations, learn about immigration, walk along the border wall, visit Peace Academic Center, and participate in a SOOP workday.

### **Mission Mosaic**

Robert & Sondra Tolle, Jonathan Voth, Kristin Jantzen, Judy Penner, Marie Saleh with Service Adventure in New Mexico, pg 58



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

November 11: Richard Stucky, Jr.

November 14: Bo Bachman

November 15: Janelle Brunner

November 16: Jessica Arzola, Ryan Dyck

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

November 16: Clark & Connie Graber