

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Praise the name of the LORD! (Psalm 148:13).*

Prelude Gerry Major & Jan Larson

Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Sharon Gehring

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

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 148

Let us praise the Lord / **the Maker of all things!**

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song**

O come, all ye faithful HWB 212

Scripture Hebrews 2:10-18 Zettie Wedel

Message "God's Self-Gift" Pastor Brad
(on video)

Song of Response Hark! The herald angels sing HWB 201

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** Good Christian friends, rejoice HWB 210

****Benediction**

**** Postlude**

****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Dave & Zettie Wedel

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Welcome to Jan Larson who will be joining Gerry Major on the piano. Jan and Gerry have enjoyed playing together for several years and have given concerts in the local community.

Sermon Notes

God's Self-Gift

Hebrews 2:10-18

Theme

We live for God and through God.

Key Verse

(Hebrews 2:10) In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Notes

A Prayer

God, source and destiny of all who love you, strengthen our hearts to walk in your ways.

Sunday, January 5, 2020

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

Coming Events

Jan. 15: MYM and meals begin (tacos!), Council 7 PM
Jan. 18: SPACE gathering for women 9 AM at the church
Jan.19: Receive new members, meal and annual meeting
Feb. 2: Mennonite Education Sunday at First Mennonite

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
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West Zion Announcements

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

1. On January 19, the date for our Annual Meeting, we'll be **receiving 6 new members** (Melvin and Jan Graber, Jim and Joanne Stucky, Rondell and Rachel Burge) and celebrating as Rachel and Rondell renew their marriage vows. Bring something extra special to share for potluck. We'll also have a celebration cake. Expect guests to join us for worship and the meal. It will be a great day to kick off the Year of Celebration!

2. **Christian Homemakers** are continuing with the project of saving all greeting cards to be sent to St. Jude's Ranch for Children. Bring complete card and put into the box on the church foyer shelf.

3. MCC is celebrating their 100th anniversary by attempting to collect 6,500 comforters to break the record for most blankets donated to a charity in 24 hours. A list of Kansas events is on the bulletin board. Moundridge will hold its **Great Winter Warm up** event to tie and complete comforters on January 18, 2020 at Pine Village Wellness Center from 9 AM to 3 PM (come and go). Soup will be available for those that stay for lunch. You can also support this event by making tops for comforters or making donations. If you have never tied a comforter we will teach you at this event. Contact Sharon Gehring if you have questions and come help break the record!

General Announcements

4. **Pine Village** has launched an online holiday wish list that gives donors the opportunity to donate money to specific items that benefit Pine Village residents directly. Items include, new recliners for residents to relax in, MP3 players and headphones used for music therapy, personal DVD players for residents to enjoy their favorite movies wherever they are, and more! Items range in price, but any donation is appreciated! The Pine Village Holiday Wish List is available online at www.pinevillageks.org.

5. **The Neuf 9K and 2 mile** run returns to the campus of Bethel College on Jan. 11, 2020 to honor the memory of Russ Neufeld, a former MC USA and Hesston College employee. The race will start at 10 a.m. outside of Mojo's Coffee Shop on the campus of Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas. The Neuf will raise funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and the Russ Neufeld memorial scholarship at Hesston College. Register & read other

details about the race at www.runtheneuf.neuf.ca. We would love to have you join us for this fun community event!

6. **Everence** will host its popular workshop *Make Medicare an Easy Step* in North Newton on Tuesday, Jan. 7 and in Hutchinson on Thursday, Jan. 9. Both will begin at 6:30 PM. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. The workshop is free, but space is limited! Reserve your spot by contacting Michelle Ramer at michelle.ramer@everence.com or call 316-283-3800. Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare.

7. **Ted & Co.** presents *Boots, Buckets, and Barrows* on Friday, January 31 at Hesston Mennonite and on Saturday, February 1 at Journey Mennonite. In partnership with Mennonite Disaster Service, Ted & Co. will present this play in conjunction with a unique auction of buckets filled with baked goods and home items. All proceeds benefit the work of MDS. More information is on the board.

8. **2020 is your year to go on an MCC Learning Tour!** Travel to Haiti March 21-28 to learn about root causes of Haiti's reality and see MCC projects in person. Join MCC Bolivia in celebrating 60 years with two learning tours, May 2-9 will focus on Eastern Bolivia and Oct. 10-17 will focus on Western Bolivia. Finally, you're welcome to travel to Nicaragua, July 20-30, to celebrate the centennial of MCC, focusing on past and present MCC work in Nicaragua and Costa Rica. Contact jordanpenner@mcc.org and check mcc.org/events for information.

9. The **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** offers many groups, classes and support for those struggling with serious mental health issues and their family and friends. Information is on the board explaining the mission of NAMI and what is offered including a new free education program for family and friends beginning in January.

10. **2020 is the 100 year anniversary of the Mennonite Central Committee.** The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale would like to celebrate this milestone by gifting MCC ONE MILLION DOLLARS. This would require 1,000 people to each give \$1,000 to get to one million dollars by April 17, the first day of the 2020 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. Please send your check made payable to KMRS earmarked "centennial gift" to Tim Miller, Relief Sale

Treasurer, 4805 S. Broadacres Rd, Hutchinson, Kansas 67501. If you have questions, please see Connie Kaufman.

West Zion Joys and Concerns

Brenda Dyck, Jan's sister-in-law, recovering after surgery

Carl Duffman's sister Denise

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for God's joy and vision for WDC congregations, leaders, and staff as the New Year begins.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Praise God that the government in Mongolia has renewed JCS International's registration for another two years. JCS is the consortium of mission agencies through which Mennonite Mission Network ministers in this country. Pray for God's light to brighten people's lives in this season of extreme cold and short days.

Mission Mosaic

Linda Gabino in Dominican Republic and Gamaliel & Amanda Fall in Columbia, page 39

BUDGET SUMMARY

	This Year	Last Year
Receipts – last week	\$ 2,136.00	\$ 2,765.19
Receipts – year to date	\$138,317.26	\$143,600.55
Budget	\$162,552.00	\$158,987.00
Less: expended to date	(151,708.82)	(146,420.95)
Less: cash balance	<u>(4,775.34)</u>	<u>(19,463.60)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 6,067.84	\$ 0
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 6,067.84	\$ 0
White Christmas (to date)	\$ 280.00	\$ 1401.91



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:
January 1: Virginia Guhr

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:
January 4: Bob & Sharon Gehring

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