

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Worship the LORD in holy splendor.*
(*Psalm 29:2b*)

Prelude Gerry Major

Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Pastor Brad Roth

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

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 29

May the Lord / **bless his people with peace.**

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song** *Come, thou fount* HWB 521

Scripture Matthew 3:13-17 Leon Guhr

Message "Splashdown" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *Thou true Vine, that heals* HWB 373

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *Peace before us* STS 16
(vv. 1-5)

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Mel & Kathi Becker

Ushers: Mel Becker, Richard Golden, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Splashdown

Matthew 3:13-17

Theme

Jesus was baptized in solidarity with humanity.

Key Verse

(Matthew 3:15) Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

Notes

A Prayer

Eternal God, remind us of our baptisms and our first love for you.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

Find us on Facebook!

Sunday, January 19, 2020

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad Roth **Accompanist:** Carla Stucky
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Daniel Kaufman
Greeter(s): Norman Funk
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman
Noon Lunch
Annual Meeting

Coming Events

Jan. 15: Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360,
MYM and taco meal 6:00 PM, Council 7 PM
Jan. 18: SPACE gathering for women 9 AM at the church
Jan.19: Communion, receive new members, meal and annual
meeting
Jan. 22: Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360,
MYM and Chicken casserole meal 6:00 PM
Feb. 2: Mennonite Education Sunday at First Mennonite
Feb. 26: Ash Wednesday

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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West Zion Announcements

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

1. **We're calling 2020 the Year of Celebration!** It's a time to reflect on God's blessing and mercy in our individual lives and life together as the church – and celebrate!
2. 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!
3. Next week, we'll be **celebrating communion.** Let's take time to seek God's forgiveness and mend relationships so that we can come with joy to meet our Lord at his table!
4. Men, join us **Wednesday mornings from 6:30-7:30 AM** at AG360 for a Bible study, starting January 15. As we get ready for Lent and Easter, we'll look at the theme of resurrection in the Bible. The study will run through March 11.
5. **STEPMC is coming to Moundridge** and looking for candidates for the following positions:
 - Coach position (paid, part-time): responsible for recruiting and mentoring program candidates for the Steps Out Of Poverty Program, and overseeing Moundridge weekly classes and programming.
 - Youth Development Program Coordinator (paid, contract position): responsible for planning and coordinating staff/volunteers for the children's activities associated with the weekly STEPMC classes. For more information and to apply, go to www.indeed.com and type in StepMC and Moundridge.
6. **Calling all puzzlers!** During the month of January, stop by the table in the foyer and put together a piece or two of our congregational photo puzzle. It takes all of us, God putting all the pieces together, to form the church!

7. Yearbook reports and names of new committee members for appointed teams need to be **to the secretary by January 19** if possible.

8. **Current yearbook addresses** are in the foyer. Please check information for you and your family members and make changes as needed.

9. **SPACE (Sisters Praying And Casting Encouragement)** is a time set aside for fellowship and prayer. All women are invited to our next gathering at the church on January 18 at 9:00 AM. A light breakfast will be served.

10. **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.

11. All are invited to the **Great Winter Warm up** event to tie and complete comforters on January 18 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.

General Announcements

12. Please join us for our **annual Kansas MDS meeting** to hear about recent activity and find out ways to get involved on Sunday, January 19 from 2-3:30 at Whitestone Mennonite Church in Hesston.

13. **Western District Women in Mission** in cooperation with Everence Financial will host a two-day conference "Let's Talk...Women, Money & Faith" on January 24 and 25 at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton. Featured speakers, Teresa Boshart Yoder and Rhoda Blough, from Everence Financial will address money and faith topics for women of all ages and stages of life. **Registration is now open.** Forms can be found in the foyer.

14. **Offender/Victim Ministries** is again writing notes of encouragement to men incarcerated at Hutchinson Correctional Facility. The notes are set to be delivered on Valentine's Day and with over 1,000 men incarcerated we are hoping to get as many letters as

possible. If you are interested in writing a letter, guidelines and more information about the project can be found on the bulletin board. If you have any other questions or concerns feel free to contact Christopher Espinoza, Program Director at (316) 283-2038.

15. Diversity, equity and inclusion were at the heart of the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Join Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, and Hesston College on **Monday, Jan. 20, at 7 p.m., at Hesston Mennonite Church for a free community-wide event** focused on translating those principles into a dream for the future that connects with founding principles of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The intersection of the American and Dr. King's vision can help us all grow, increase our productivity and expand the impact of our businesses, civic leaders, private organizations and residents of Hesston and Harvey County. We can do more together, increasing our cultural competence and generating opportunities for our community.

16. Before Rosa Parks. Before Martin Luther King Jr. Before Nelson Mandela. There was Paul Robeson. Hesston College artist in residence and peace ambassador **Tony Brown will present his tribute** to 20th century civil rights activist Paul Robeson at 7 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 19, at Hesston Mennonite Church. *I Go On Singing: Paul Robeson's Life in Word and Song* is part of Hesston's MLK Day celebration. The narrator for the show will be Victor Hogstrom of KPTS TV Wichita (PBS). Tickets are \$12 for adults and can be purchased at the Hesston College Bookstore in Erb Hall or at 620-327-8104. Students college-age and younger are free. Tickets will also be available at the door.

17. **Ted & Co.** presents *Boots, Buckets, and Barrows* on Friday, January 31 at Hesston Mennonite and on Saturday, February 1 at Journey Mennonite in South Hutchinson. 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.

West Zion Joys and Concerns

Marilyn, Randy Kessler's sister, recovering after bypass surgery in Hays

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for the WDC commissions in their ministries of equipping leaders, resourcing congregations, nurturing church planting, and encouraging generosity and stewardship.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Brian and Noelia Fox reach out to people in the area around Burgos, Spain, with a Christian witness through their English-language school. Pray for them as demonstrate God's love through the ways they relate to students and their families.

Mission Mosaic

Lillian, Norm, Nadine, & Kenneth Nicolson, Orodara, Burkina Faso Pg 8



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

January 12: Taylor Stucky

January 13: Corey Lohrenz

January 14: Shery Kessler, Anthony Toro

January 17: Jim Stucky