

## West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

Vol. LV

April 5, 2020

No. 14

### *PALM SUNDAY*

*Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we will not be meeting for worship. Instead, worship services will be online on our West Zion Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/westzion/>).*

Prelude "Be thou my vision"  
"Offerings of the Heart" CD (Donna Stucky)

Welcome

Call to Worship, Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.**

Prayer

Celebrating in Song - "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*We invite you to sing along from home following the lyrics on the screen.*

Scripture, Matthew 21:1-11

Meditation "The Lord Needs You" Pastor Brad

Extinguish cross candle

Offering (*Please remember to continue supporting the church during this time.*)

Song for meditation "He hideth my soul"  
"Offerings of the Heart" CD (Donna Stucky)

Prayers of the People (*Joys and concerns can be shared in the "comment" bar on the Facebook live stream*)

Blessing and Sending

## Sermon Notes

The Lord Needs You  
Matthew 21:1-11

### Theme

What does the Lord need from you?

### Key Verse

(Matthew 21:3) If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.

### Notes

### A Question

During this strange and anxious season, how can you offer your life and possessions for the Lord's use?

**Services are livestreamed on the West Zion Mennonite Facebook page**

**Sermons are online @ [westzionmc.org](https://www.facebook.com/westzionmc.org)**

Streaming license # 20084674

**Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020**

**Worship Service online at West Zion Facebook page**

**9:30 AM:** Sunday School

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service

**Message:** Pastor Brad Roth

**Coming Events**

April 12: Easter Sunday, no gathered activities

May 13: Women's Salad Supper at West Zion (tentative)

**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 Cell: 620-386-4838

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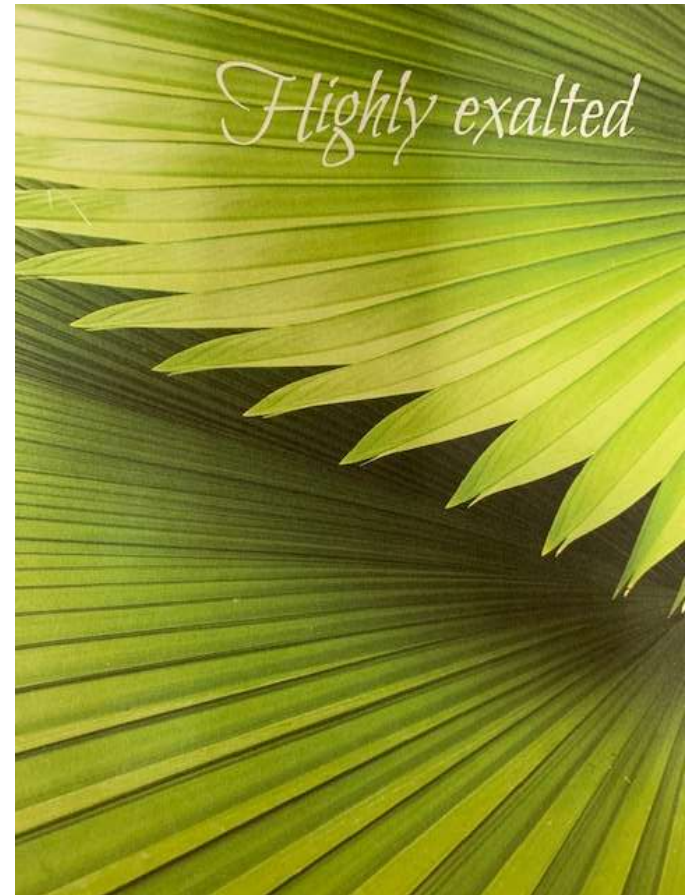
**Secretary Carla Stucky's hours:** Limited at the church

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Bulletin Cover for Palm Sunday

## West Zion Announcements

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

1. Church Council met on April 1 to reevaluate the timeline for reopening the church to gatherings. It was decided that **West Zion will not be meeting for worship through May 24**. We will revisit this decision and reopen sooner if conditions allow. The secretary will continue to work limited office hours, and all leadership teams and committees will continue to meet by phone and online as we live our mission as the church. Bulletins will still be available each week and can be found on the West Zion website. Several bulletins are available each week in the church foyer by Thursday evening.

2. **Join us for morning prayer!** Wednesdays, 8:00-8:30 AM via Google Hangouts, starting April 8. We'll follow the *Take Our Moments and Our Days* prayer app created by AMBS. You will need to download the app to your device ahead of time. To join the video meeting, click this link: <https://meet.google.com/fdn-akqy-usw>. Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 484-800-1904 and enter this PIN: 753 415 347#

3. **Holy Week** begins with Palm Sunday:

- **Maundy Thursday:** As evening comes, light a candle and read Matthew 26:14-27:66. Meditate on Jesus' willingness to suffer and die for your sake. Sit in reverent silence for a time after Jesus' death. How is Jesus walking with you during this time of global suffering and anxiety?

4. **On April 12, we celebrate Easter!** Easter marks Jesus' resurrection from the dead and the new life all of us can experience because of him. **Though we cannot gather together to celebrate this year, we can still praise God from our own homes.** Watch for details in next week's bulletin for Easter at home resources!

5. **Senior Center is looking for volunteers** to deliver meals to senior residents at home. Now that seniors cannot gather for the meal, this service is more vital than ever. Contact Pat Krehbiel at: [mdgeseniorcenter@mtelco.net](mailto:mdgeseniorcenter@mtelco.net)

6. **Christian Homemakers:** Due to cancelling of MCC Sale and all the closings, Geneva and I decided this afternoon to cancel the April 16th meeting. – Glenda Golden

7. As we continue to **brainstorm ways to connect** during this season, what are ways we can encourage and support each other? **Join the conversation by filling out this survey!** <https://forms.gle/6SW33pafTYdoSTCRA> If you are unable to access this survey online, call the church office and Pastor Brad can go through the survey questions with you.

8. The doors of West Zion may be shut, **but we're not shut down!** We continue to be the church together, even more so during this time of pandemic. Please remember to continue supporting the church with your tithes and offerings. You can give online through the "donate" PayPal link on our church website. Or mail checks to: West Zion Mennonite Church, PO Box 758, Moundridge, KS 67107

9. **Feeling isolated?** Have a prayer concern you don't feel comfortable sharing online? Call the church office or pastor's cell phone. Let's support one another so that with God's strength, we can make it through this pandemic together.

10. **Join us online or by phone** for adult Sunday School! Pastor Brad is leading a study on the meaning of the cross at 9:30 on Sunday mornings. Connect via Google Hangouts by clicking this link: <https://meet.google.com/wif-iwce-xnw> or join by phone, dial +1 657-529-0830 and enter this PIN: 634 591 635#

11. **Are you unable to get out for necessities or concerned to go out?** Contact the church office. Volunteers in the church are willing to run to the grocery store or other errands to help get you what you need.

12. Let's make sure no one slips through the cracks during this unprecedented time. Take the initiative to **call and check in** on friends and neighbors, especially the elderly living alone.

13. **CDT is getting Sunday School materials** out to families with children so that families can continue to learn about the Bible, God, and the Christian walk from home.

14. **MCC Sale cancelled:** Due to CDC guidelines limiting public gatherings for 8 weeks, the 2020 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is being cancelled. This cancellation is beyond our control. We thank you, as supporting churches, sale committees, and donors for the generosity and hard work that you have put into this sale. The Kansas

Mennonite Relief Sale Board will be meeting in the coming weeks to discuss how we will support the work of the Mennonite Central Committee. Please consider continuing to invest and support MCC through the 1,000 for \$1000 fundraising program, through your prayers and by your continued kindness to all.

**General Announcements**

15. **MCC invites you to continue to work** on making comforter tops for those in need. If you need fabric to do so, we will deliver it to your doorstep. MCC has bags of color coordinated cotton fabrics that can be made into 60 X 80 comforter tops. A limited amount of pre-cut squares are also available. If you would like a bag(s) delivered safely to your house, please email [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org) by Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, to get on the delivery list. Already have fabric at home that you'd like to use? Please review the MCC Comforter Guidelines and instructional videos at [mcc.org/comforters](http://mcc.org/comforters). Thank you in advance for your stitches!

16. With attention to the safety of all, the Camp Mennoscah **Retirees Retreat** (scheduled for April 20-22) has been cancelled.

17. **Men and Boys Retreat** (previously scheduled for April 3-5) at Camp Mennoscah has been rescheduled to September 4-6, 2020!

<u>YTD COMPARISON</u>	<u>3/29/2020</u>	<u>3/31/2019</u>
YTD Giving - Budget	42,820.82	53,506.56
ANNUAL BUDGET	163,471.00	162,552.00
Less: expended to date	(33,820.15)	(38,479.29)
Less: cash balance	<u>(19,572.13)</u>	<u>(32,053.20)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	110,078.72	92,019.51
Avg. offering needed per Sunday to meet budget	2,752.00	2,359.00

**West Zion Joys and Concerns**

Lici's family in Peru, at home under strict pandemic quarantine measures

Those struggling with anxiety, depression, or other mental health concerns during this time.

Eric Goodman, Jerod Kaufman's college roommate's father who is in ICU in Kansas City and is recovering from pneumonia related to coronavirus.

Frontline healthcare workers

Teachers and families struggling with the challenges of remote teaching

**Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Pray for WDC pastors as they plan creative and meaningful ways for congregations to observe Holy Week and celebrate Easter in the midst of difficult circumstances.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

Austin Roberts has been based in Northern Ireland with Youth With a Mission's Discipleship Training School staff since 2016. Pray for him as he works with community outreach and local ministry partners.

**Mission Mosaic**

Mary Raber in Odessa, Ukraine, pg 27



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:  
 April 6: Zettie Wedel  
 April 9: Gene Bachman  
 April 10: Lorene Lohrenz

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:  
 April 6: Mel & Kathi Becker