West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 am: Sunday School10:30 am: Morning WorshipVol.XLVISeptember 15, 2013No.37

Words for silent meditation: The Lord will protect his people. (Psalm 14:6, NLT)

Prelude Carla Stucky

Welcome and Call to Worship HWB 670 Mike Kaufman

Greeting in Christ's Peace

**Celebrating in Song Praise him, praise him! HWB 100
A wonderful Savior is Jesus HWB 598

Welcome to Pastor Dave Stevens of Eden

Message Pastor Dave

"Sharing Our Faith, Sharing Ourselves (Acts 17:16-34)"

Song of Response How can we be silent? STJ 61

Lighting of faith candle

Offering Carla Stucky

Sharing of Joys and Concerns/ Announcements

Prayers of the People

**Sending Song Heart with loving heart united HWB 420 (vs.1)

**Benediction

Postlude Carla Stucky

**All who are able, please stand.

A Word about Worship: At the top of the bulletin there are words for silent meditation printed each week. These words are taken from the psalm for the week. Consider pausing to pray silently with these words as you prepare for worship.

Sermon Notes

Sharing Our Faith, Sharing Ourselves Acts 17:16-34

Notes

A Prayer

God who calls us to be at home in your kingdom, yet strangers in our society, grace us with the courage to speak your word boldly and compassionately.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

- 17.**Sat.**, **Sept. 21** Soyoun Chun, soprano, Bethel College music faculty, and Chung-Hoon Peter Chun, viola, University of Kansas music faculty, joint recital, 7 pm., Ad. Building chapel.
- Thurs., Sept. 26 Jack Cole, 26-year veteran of the NJ State Police, former undercover narcotics detective, founder and past executive director of Law Enforcement Against Prohibition (LEAP), speaks about the so-called "war on drugs," 7 pm., Kaufman House (KIPCOR offices, 2515 College Ave., North Newton) on the Bethel College campus.
- Sun., Sept. 29 "Bethel College Wind Ensemble Plays the Classics," 4 pm., Fox Theater in downtown Newton
- **Bethel Fall Festival** is just around the corner. Most events are Saturday, Oct. 5, on campus. Check out all activities at www.bethelks.edu/fallfest.
- 18. **Hesston College** will host Homecoming 2013: A View From Everywhere with an emphasis on nursing and holistic health Sept 26-29. The kickoff event is the Hesston College Student Scholarship Golf Tournament Sept. 26 at Hesston Golf Park. More information about the weekend and registration for the tournament is online at hesston.edu. There is also a poster posted on the bulletin board.

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Our Mission: "To be a caring congregation sharing a message of hope, salvation, and love to all people so that they might become disciples of Jesus Christ"

West Zion Announcements

<u>Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.</u> Check the bulletin board for more announcements.

- 1. Today after lunch **Congregational Meeting** to present and discuss the new constitution Mennonite College Committee will serve lunch as fundraiser.
- 2. During the months of Sept. & Oct. Pastor Brad will be teaching on sharing our faith in Jesus with others. Watch for the opportunities God gives you to share! Whenever someone reports to Pastor Brad that they shared their faith, we'll light the candle at the front of the church to encourage us and highlight how God is at work.
- 3. FALL CHURCH PICNIC CEC is planning a fall church picnic on Sun. evening Sept. 29. The picnic is at the Junior Loganbill farmstead beginning around 4:30. Hot dogs, buns, smores, and drink are provided. Bring a lawn chair, roasting sticks (if you have some), side dish OR chips. We look forward to a beautiful fall evening of fellowship and fun!
- 3. October 27, 5:00-7:00 Family Meeting: The Art of Sharing Your Faith. Come join us for pizza and an interactive night of exploring how we share our faith with others!
- 4. With Christmas just around the corner, it is time to start planning for the annual Christmas Eve program. We are looking for a few good men and women who are willing to serve on the Christmas Eve program. We are an equal opportunity employer, no applicants turned away and no previous experience is needed. All eager volunteers can apply for the position by seeing Connie Kaufman.
- 5. **Mid-week Oasis**, a time of refreshment through prayer, song, and Scripture, will begin on September 25, 6:30-7:00 PM.
- 6. A sign-up sheet to make New Years Cookies at Bethel Fall Fest is on the table in the foyer. The Zion Church, in Elbing, is also helping. There are 3 shifts for frying and sugaring. Come, enjoy the fellowship. Any questions contact Becky Pohl.
- 7. A brochure of the events at Bethel Fall Fest is on the bulletin board.

- 8. West Zion has 2 opportunities to serve for our church and missions. **First** MCC Canning representative needed immediately and can be short term. **Second** MCC contact couple or person starts Oct. See Sharon Gehring or a council member if interested.
- 9. Check bulletin board for letter "Trail Less Traveled" from Kristin Schrag of Hopi Mission School.

General Announcements

- 10. Life Enrichment at Bethel September 18
- 9:30 Fun with Fall Plants, Larry Rogers
- 10:35 Ancient Ethiopia, Jim Goering
- 11:30 Summer Service Projects, Bethel College Students
- 11.Job Opening: Director of Prison Ministries Offender/Victim Ministries is seeking applicants to oversee its M-2 Prison Visitation and Prison Arts programs at Hutchinson Correctional Facility. This half-time, salaried position is based in Newton. Interested candidates should submit resumes and cover letters tolibby.ovm@sbcglobal.net.
- 12. Pine Village fund raising events in Sept. include *Walk with a resident Walk-a-thon,* Sept. 26 at 6 pm. **Garage sale** at Krehbiel Apartment garages Sept. 27, from 4-7 and Sept. 28 from 8 to noon. A **Bake sale** is included in the Garage sale on the 28th. To donate items for the garage sale, contact Connie Graber 345-2434. More information, and pledge sheets about the upcoming events are on the bulletin board. The **Benefit Day auction and sausage meal** is Thur. Oct. 17
- 13. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary-Great Plains invites you to Supper on Fri.. Sept. 20, 6 pm. at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton. A report of the recent survey data and discussion concerning the future of the AMBS Great Plains extension program will follow the supper. No cost; RSVP by Sept. 16 to Marlene Faul, 316-283-7098 or mfaul@ambs.edu.
- 14. **Christopher Shaw** has an organ recital on Sun., Oct. 6, at 4 pm. The recital is at Plymouth Congregational Church, 202 N. Clifton Ave., Wichita, KS. The program includes works by J.S. Bach, Felix Mendelssohn, Robert Lau, and Emma Lou Diemer. Shaw will also give the public premiere of an organ piece by Bernard Wayne Sanders, commissioned by the Wichita chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) to honor Irene Shaw for her work with *POPS for kids*. There is no admission charge, a reception will follow.

15. Headed to the Rocky Mountain MCC Sale in Rocky Ford, CO in Oct.? If so, we're looking for volunteers to bring MCC School Kits back to the MCC Center in N. Newton, to help contact Maynard Knepp at 316-283-2720.

16. Mennonite Disaster Service update on Shawnee,

Oklahoma. Thank you to the volunteers who helped with the clean-up in Oklahoma following the tornado May. MDS is now ready for the rebuilding phase! We continue to invite your prayers and support as we work to bring families back home. Volunteers are needed from Oct 7 – Dec 13. We are also looking for volunteers who would cook for a week or two in Oct. or Dec. Call MDS at1-800-241-8111.

~We Wish "Happy Birthday" this week

September 16: Kelly Gibson & Shirley Loganbill

September 17: Jaime Hollingworth

September 18: Will Kaufman September 20: Joshua Schmidt

September 21: Rod Gehring & John D. Toews

~ We Wish "Happy Anniversary" this week

September 15: Gilbert & Irene Koehn September 20: Rhonda & Jon James

Joys and Concerns

Roseanne Hayes has knee surgery on Mon. Sept. 16.

Please remember the following prayer requests from our mission partners: Jeannie as she begins her fall music work

New partners in their work, including couple from Canada Wayne's trip to Egypt and the International Board meeting of their field organization

Christians in Egypt

Khalid and his new wife

Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network

In a country where following Jesus is not authorized, a Christian counselor thanks God for a Mission Network woman whose ministry includes developing discipleship materials and translating Christian literature. Pray for safety and encouragement for mission workers and Christians who communicate God's love in countries such as this one.

Prayer requests from Western District Conference

Pray for Amanda Rempel as she represents WDC at the ordination of three women in the Congo. She leaves Sept. 19 for three weeks. Pray for spiritual and physical vigor and safety and support in travel.

Attendance: Sunday School- 41 Worship- 77

Next Week - September 15

9:30 am: Sunday School
Worship Leader: Brad Roth
Message: Brad Roth

Scripture Reader: Geneva Wedel Pianist/Organist: Carla Stucky Greeters: Phil & Lorene Lohrenz

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, & Vicky Kessler

Coming Events

Today: Congregational meeting on the new constitution following

a fundraiser lunch provide by the Menn. College

Fellowship

Sept. 18: Moundridge Youth Ministry @ Park 6 pm

Sept 24: Worship Committee Meeting 3 pm

Sept. 25: 5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-

Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm

Sept. 27-28: Garage Sale for Pine Village

Sept. 29: West Zion Fall Picnic

Oct. 5: Bethel Fall Fest

Oct. 14: CEC 7 pm

Oct. 17: Benefit Day Dinner and Auction at Pine Village

Oct. 20: West Zion Music Concert 7 pm

Oct. 23: Meat Canning

Oct. 27: 9:30 AM, Harvest Festival @ Eden Mennonite, with

speaker Brett Klingenberg. This is a combined worship service of Eden, First, and West Zion. Meal following