

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Who is like the Lord...who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth? (Psalm 113:5-6)*

Prelude    Donna Stucky

Welcome and Call to Worship - Psalm 113                      Brad Roth

L: Praise the name of the Lord!

**P: Alleluia!**

Greeting in Christ's Peace

**\*\*Celebrating in Song**      What is this place?                      HWB 1  
For the fruit of all creation                      HWB 90

Scripture Reading                      Matthew 28:16-20                      Geneva Wedel  
(The Message)

Message                      "Go train everyone!"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**      Lord, you give the great commission      STJ 63  
(vs.1-2)

Offering    Donna Stucky

Sharing of Joys and Concerns/ Announcements  
Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**                      You shall go out with joy                      HWB 427

**\*\*Benediction**

Postlude    Donna Stucky

**\*\*All who are able, please stand.**

**A Word about Worship:** Our announcements happen during the service. Think of announcements as part of worship--they connect our praise with our life in the world.

## Sermon Notes

Go train everyone  
Matthew 28:16-20 (The Message)

### Theme

Be disciples and make disciples.

### Notes

#### **Matthew 28:16-20**

#### ***The Message***

Meanwhile, the eleven disciples were on their way to Galilee, headed for the mountain Jesus had set for their reunion. The moment they saw him they worshiped him. Some, though, held back, not sure about *worship*, about risking themselves totally.

Jesus, undeterred, went right ahead and gave his charge: "God authorized and commanded me to commission you: Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I'll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age."

### A Prayer

Send us your Spirit, O God, that we might dare to speak your word with boldness and without fear, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org*

**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](http://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](http://hesston.edu). There is also a poster posted on the bulletin board.

19. Dr. Larry Warkentin, Fresno, Calif., will present "Current Trends in Worship Music," Monday, Oct. 7, 9:45am in the ground-floor Wohlgemuth Music building, Tabor College. His presentation will include the use of music in the Bible and church history as well as today's challenge--how people with widely varying preferences can learn to worship together. The public is welcome (\$4 at the door). Discussion will continue during the optional 11am lunch. For more information contact Connie Isaac, Lifelong Learning Director, [conniei@tabor.edu](mailto:conniei@tabor.edu) or [620-947-5964](tel:620-947-5964) (home).

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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**

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by **Thur. noon**.  
Check the bulletin board for more announcements.

1. 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.
2. **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 events at **Bethel Fall Fest** is on the bulletin board.
8. West Zion needs a 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 25**

- 9:30** *The Farmton Plan: A Community Planning for the Future in Central Florida*, Barbara Goering  
**10:35** *The Weeks in New Zealand*, Craig and Cindy Simons  
**11:30** *Stay at Home Longer*, Jerry Pomeroy

11. **Christopher Shaw's** organ recital is 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.

### **12. 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 at [1-800-241-8111](tel:1-800-241-8111).

The **Pine Village Benefit Day Garage Sale** is September 27-28 (Fri. and Sat.). The Sale is from 4-7 pm. on Fri. and 8 am. -Noon on Sat. Donations accepted Mon., Sept. 23 at Krehbiel Apartment Garages from 9:30 am. – Noon and 6-7:30 pm. If you need to schedule a drop off, please contact Connie Graber at [620.386.0723](tel:620.386.0723). No adult clothing, please.

**The Pine Village Bake Sale** is Sat., Sept. 28 from 8 am. – Noon in Krehbiel Apartment Garages. Home baked goodies including Zwiebach, cinnamon rolls, pies and more are available to purchase. To donate baked items, drop them off Friday afternoon or by 7:30 am. on Saturday or contact Mabel Goering at 345.3025.

### **Benefit Day auction and sausage meal is Thur. Oct., 17.**

The **Moundridge Farmer's Market** growing season is coming to an end for 2013. The last market day is Sept 28<sup>th</sup>. We want to thank everyone who participated both buying and selling. It is fun to come together around the produce from God's good earth.

~We Wish "**Happy Birthday**" this week

September 23: Craig Becker

September 25: Sandy Jantz & Lici Roth

September 26: Dana Loganbill, Jerry Becker, Sheri Miller,  
Milford Wedel , & Angie Thompson

~ We Wish "**Happy Anniversary**" this week

September 26: Harvey & Lois Thiessen

September 28: Ken & Denise Becker

### **Joys and Concerns**

Roseanne Hayes recuperating from knee surgery

Dorothy Toews as she prepares for surgery to remove a cancerous kidney

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**

Pray for Janet and her assignment in Benin, as she discerns what role she plays as a consultant to Mission Network partners: Benin Bible Institute, Bethesda Hospital and community development programs, and *La Casa Grande* children's home.

### **Prayer requests from Western District Conference**

Praise God for all the campers and staff at Camp Mennoscah in 2013.

Pray for Olivia Bartel, Camp Director, as she leads the camp in continued developments and new staffing and as she guides the annual meeting this afternoon.

Attendance: Sunday School-27

Worship- 60

## **Next Week – September 29**

**9:30 am:** Sunday School

**10:30 am:** Worship Service

**Worship Leader:** Connie Graber **Message:** Brad Roth

**Scripture Reader:** Brad Roth **Music:** Chancel Choir

**Pianist/Organist:** Donna Stucky

**Greeters:** Clark & Connie Graber

**Ushers:** Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

## **Coming Events**

Sept 24: Worship Team 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 4:30 pm

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

Nov. 10: Budget Meeting

A new Constitution was presented Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at a business meeting. A motion was made that Council address the issue – whether Gift Discernment Team should be appointed or elected.

The Council is recommending the following change:

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- Purpose and Ministry
  - The Gifts Discernment Team prayerfully discerns and recommends candidates for the various positions needed for the life and mission of the church.
  - The Gifts Discernment Team shall be three elected members serving 3-year, staggered terms.

We also discussed membership. The Council recommends the following change:

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Our next step is to vote on the Constitution. We need to hold this vote in a timely manner so that we can lay plans for 2014.

Next Sunday – September 29<sup>th</sup> – will have a brief business meeting after church to vote on the new Constitution, with the above changes, presented last Sunday. We will move to the basement immediately after church to conduct this brief meeting.

Upon congregational approval, our new Constitution will take affect at the Annual Business Meeting, January 2014.