# **West Zion Mennonite Church**

9:30 am: Sunday School 10:30 am: Morning Worship Vol.XLVI September 29, 2013 No.39

Words for silent meditation: The Lord alone is my refuge and strength (Psalm 91:2).

Prelude Donna Stucky
Introit Come, walk with us Chancel Choir

Soloist-Kirk Stucky

STJ 2

Welcome and Call to Worship Connie Graber

- L: Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
- **P:** His faithful promises are your armor and protection.
- L: Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night,
- **P:** nor fear the dangers of the day,
- L: nor dread the plague that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday.
- P: The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me."
- **L:** When they call on the Lord, he will answer; he will be with them in trouble.

All: The Lord will satisfy us with long life and give us his salvation. (from Psalm 91)

Greeting in Christ's Peace

\*\*Celebrating in Song Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah HWB 50 God of grace and God of glory HWB 366

Scripture Reading Luke 8:26-39 Brad Roth

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Special Music How Deep The Father's Love For Us Chancel Choir

By Stuart Townend & Larry Shackley

Message Stay put! Pastor Brad

A Word about Worship: During the Prayers of the People, we pray for all those in authority, both at the federal, state, and local levels. The Scriptures teach us to pray this way (1 Tim. 2:1-3). We pray regardless for leaders, regardless of their political affiliations or whether we agree with their decisions.

**Song of Response** My hope is built on nothing less HWB 343

Lighting of the faith candle

Offering Donna Stucky

Sharing of Joys and Concerns/ Announcements

Prayers of the People

\*\*Sending Song Sing amen HWB 64

\*\*Benediction

Postlude Donna Stucky

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

### **Sermon Notes**

Stay put! Luke 8:26-39

### Theme

Jesus calls us to share the Gospel where we are.

**Notes** 

# A Praver

Mighty God, who meets all of us in the midst of life, grant us the confidence to live and share the Gospel with those around us everyday.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

14.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.

15 .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 or 620-947-5964 (home).

Pastor Brad Roth

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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. 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 IS TONIGHT** Sept. 29. The picnic is at the Junior Loganbill farmstead beginning around 4:30.**Address: 32 24th Avenue**: from the Moridge corner of 81, head SE on 81 approximately 2 miles, turn left (North) on 24th Ave. Go 1/4 mile, long driveway on the east side of the road. 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. The group that has committed themselves to read the Bible through in one year begins Oct. 1. Each month you will receive a sheet for daily readings on your own time. It's not too late to commit. A possible encouragement meeting may be held every month-also to share insights of reading. See Geneva Wedel for more information.
- 4. We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper next week, October 6. This is World Communion Sunday. As part of our celebration, we will pray for Christian brothers and sisters in war-torn Syria. Check our Facebook page during the week for updates. Let us prepare our hearts so that we can come with joy to meet our Lord at his table!
- 5. 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.
- 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.

- 6. West Zion needs a MCC contact couple or person starts Oct. See Sharon Gehring or a council member if interested.
- 7. The New Address for Isaac & Lisa Schrock is 1030 E. Court St. Apt. 14, Iowa City, IA 52240.

#### **General Announcements**

- 8. No Life Enrichment at Bethel Fall Fest Week
- 9. **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.
- 10. **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.
- 11. Benefit Day auction and sausage meal is Thur. Oct., 17.
- 12. The **Gospel Echoes Team Annual Banquet** is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 7, 6:30 pm @ Journey at Yoder. Ticket, and information about the evening are posted on the bulletin board.
- 13. Dyck Arboretum hosts its 2nd Annual Prairie Pumpkin Festival on Sat., Oct. 12 from 9 am.- 8 pm. Admission costs, good for all day, are \$4 adults and \$2 children ages 3 to 15 years old. Members of the arboretum, students and seniors enjoy a \$1 per person discount on admission. Admission fees cover participation in a variety of activities. Purchase of pumpkins, the barrel train, the hedgeapple launcher, and purchase of items from vendors are not included. Volunteers are needed and will receive free admission. Contact the arboretum at 620-327-8127 for information on volunteering.

~We Wish "Happy Birthday" this week

October 3: Randy Kessler & Kathryn Hayes

October 5: Kenroy Wilson

### **Joys and Concerns**

Dorothy Toews, going in to Newton Medical Center for kidney surgery on Tuesday 10/1

Bryce Ratzlaff, dealing with possible colon cancer

The Kukuk family and their son Tyler, born prematurely

Evelia (Eduardo and Fabi's mom) suffering from back pain after a fall

Nancy Ottley going in for neck surgery in Salina on October 10

# **Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network**

Thank God for Scott Litwiller's ministry in Colombia through MMN. Pray for Scott as he transitions to the next step in his life and as he applies what God taught him during his time of service. Pray also for the Mennonite youth in Colombia.

# **Prayer requests from Western District Conference**

Pray for Ruth Harder. Today she is installed as the pastor of Rainbow Mennonite Church in Kansas City.

Attendance: Sunday School- 30 Worship-74

# Next Week - October 6

**World Wide Communion** 

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

Scripture Reader: Brad Roth Pianist/Organist: Donna Stucky Greeters: Curtis & Cysta Guhr

Nov. 10:

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, & Vicky Kessler

# **Coming Events**

Today:	West Zion Fall Picnic 4:30 pm			
Oct. 2:	5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid- Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm			
Oct. 5:	Bethel Fall Fest			
Oct. 9:	5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-			
	Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm			
Oct. 16:	5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-			
	Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm			
Oct. 17:	Benefit Day Dinner and Auction at Pine Village			
Oct. 20:	West Zion Music Concert 7 pm			
Oct. 22:	Worship Team Meeting 3-4 pm			
Oct. 23: 5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid				
	Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm			
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			
Oct. 27:	5-7 pm - Family Meeting: The Art of Sharing Your Faith			
Oct. 30:	5:45-6:15 pm MYM and WZ supper, 6:30-7 pm Mid-			

Week Oasis, Choir Practice 7-8 pm

**Budget Meeting**