

Announcements from Camp Mennoscah

19. We need people who can tape and mud our newly sheet-rocked walls at Bluestem house. Bluestem house needs to be ready by Oct. We can offer a simple meal and pop break, but need advance notice. Call [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) to sign up and share your skills!

20. Work & Play Camp is **Sept. 15-18**. This is a service-oriented retreat for all ages. We'll work and have fun too. This year's retreat is slightly shorter than previous years and we'd be happy to have folks stay longer. Just let us know! The brochure is online at www.campmennoscah.org or call [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290).

21. This spring there was such a demand for our **scrapbooking retreat** that we're considering adding a second retreat this fall. Our primary scrapbooking retreat is Nov. 1-3. If we have enough interest, we'll add a second retreat on November 15-17--this retreat is not guaranteed. Brochures are not yet available, but send an email to campmno@mennowdc.org or call [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) if interested.

Pastor Brad Roth

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Thurs. 1-4 pm

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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. Sunday, Sept. 15, after lunch – **Congregational Meeting** to present and discuss the new constitution (in your mailboxes today). Mennonite College Committee will serve lunch as fundraiser.
2. Starting this week, 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. (Pastor Brad will keep your name and the person you shared with quiet).
3. Interest has been shown to start a commitment to **read the Bible through in a year or less**. If interested See Geneva Wedel.
4. **Mid-week Oasis**, a time of refreshment through prayer, song, and Scripture, will begin on September 25, 6:30-7:00 PM.
5. 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.
6. We're excited to announce that our **newly-renovated website** has just gone live! It's fully iPad compatible and features a new sermon podcast feature. Check it out!: www.westzionmc.org
7. Christian Homemakers are collecting items for **school kits** for MCC. Money or school supplies can be brought to the front of the church and placed in the basket. If you would like to donate sturdy material for school bags contact Bonnie or Amy. On Thur. Sept. 12, we will begin sewing school kit bags at 3 pm. Everyone is welcome.
Items needed for school kits are:
 - 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 1/2 x 10 1/2 in and 70 sheets)
 - 8 unsharpened pencils
 - 1 large pencil eraser
 - 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in)
 - 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
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. Next Sunday, September 15, we're doing a pulpit exchange! Pastor Brad will be preaching at Eden and Pastor Dave we'll preach here at West Zion. Please give Pastor Dave a warm welcome.

General Announcements

10. Life Enrichment at Bethel September 11

9:30 *Coming Home*, Robert Kreider

10:30 *Ornithologists, Artist and Bird Paparazzi of KS*, David Seibel

11:40 *Introduction of New Head Coaches for Football and Volleyball*, Kent Allshouse.

11. Sept. 15, 3-6:30 pm is the next **Year of the Bible event**. Visit <http://echo.wearesparkhouse.org/workshops/> for an interactive learning experience on Bible Storying at Faith Menn. Church, Newton. \$10 per person or \$25 for a group of up to 10 persons. Pizza, networking, and discounted books by Michael Novelli, our presenter. Call Western District Conference at [316-283-6300](tel:316-283-6300) by Sept. 10 to reserve a spot.

12. MEDA's KS Chapter invites you to join them for a dialogue about chapter activities. On **Tues. Sept. 17, 6:30 pm** at Dyck Arboretum in Hesston, Ann Gordon Senior Consultant/Project Manager will report on MEDA's Ethiopia project. Cost is \$25 for dinner and presentation / \$5 for students / \$15 for beginning entrepreneurs. RSVP by Sept. 13, to email carlwedman@harperindustries.com or phone 620-896-7381.

13. Sun., Sept. 15, 3 pm in Memorial Hall. Bethel College and the Bethel College Service Corps present a **benefit concert** for Oklahoma tornado relief, a celebration of fiddler Jesse Graber, The Misguided Professors, and The Book of JEBB.

14. **Thurs., Sept. 19, Artist reception for Ann Krone** "A Look Beyond the Obvious," Bethel College Fine Arts Center Gallery, 6-8 pm.

15. **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary-Great Plains** invites you to Supper on Friday, 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](tel:316-283-7098) or mfaul@ambs.edu.

16. The **Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale** has several Service Opportunities. A list of them is on the bulletin board.

17. Bob Sprowls is the new director of dining services at Pine Village. He joined the team in August and plans to roll out new menus in September offering choices at each meal. More information about Bob's experience is posted on the bulletin board.

18. **Headed to the Rocky Mountain MCC Sale in Rocky Ford, CO in October?** If so, we're looking for volunteers to bring MCC School Kits back to the MCC Center in North Newton. If you can help contact Maynard Knepp at [316-283-2720](tel:316-283-2720) to work out the details.

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

September 9: Charles Loganbill

September 11: Julie Fast

September 13: B.C. Dirks & Karen Loganbill

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

September 14: Denise & James Shipley

Joys and Concerns

Alice Schmidt-as she recovers at Home

Debbie Flavin, Aline Bachman's daughter, coping with health problems.

Ariane Bergen transitioning to life in Nicaragua as she begins her SALT assignment with MCC

Wayne and Jeannie Larson as they continue their work in the Arabian Peninsula.

Prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Participants with Mennonite Voluntary Service, a MMN program, begin their service assignments this month. Pray that as they learn to live in community in a new city, their relationships with Jesus grows deeper.

Prayer requests from Western District Conference

Pray for the Bible Storying event next Sunday, Sept. 15, with presenter Michael Novelli at Faith Mennonite Church in Newton. Participants will be led in an interactive learning experience so they can more effectively teach the Bible in their congregations.

Attendance: Sunday School- 40

Worship- 75

Next Week – September 15

9:30 am: Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship Service

Worship Leader: Mike Kaufman **Message:** Dave Stevens

Scripture Reader: Dave Stevens

Pianist/Organist: Carla Stucky

Greeters: Bob & Sharon Goering

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Coming Events

Sept. 9 : CEC 7 pm

Sept. 11: Choir Practice 7 pm

Sept. 12: Christian Homemakers 7 pm at the church.

Sept. 15: Lunch provided by the Menn. College Fellowship (a Fundraiser), followed by a Congregational meeting on the new constitution.

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

Oct. 5: Bethel Fall Fest

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

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

