

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations (Psalm 22:28).*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle                      Samson Petersen

Welcome    The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**    Pastor Brad

Announcements

Call to Worship    Psalm 22:25-28 (on screen)    Connie Kaufman

Greeting in Christ's Peace

### **\*\*Celebrating in song**

Holy Spirit, come with power                      HWB 26  
All creatures of our God and King                      HWB 48  
(vs.1-2, 7)

Scripture                      John 15:1-17                      Leon Guhr  
Pg 1068

Special Music    "Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)"    Nick Preheim  
by Chris Rice

*Children dismissed to Little Flock* (for ages toddler - 1st grade)

Message                      "I am the True Vine"                      Pastor Brad

**Song of Response**    Thou true Vine, that heals                      HWB 373

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**    What a friend we have in Jesus                      HWB 574  
(Words on 573)

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**                      Donna Stucky

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Jr. Usher: Samson Petersen

### Sermon Notes

I am the True Vine

John 15:1-17

#### Theme

Become friends with God, lead the good and abundant life.

#### Key Verse

John 15:14 You are my friends if you do what I command.

#### Notes

#### Prayer

God who through the death of your Son opened up the way of friendship with you, grant that we might extend your loving friendship to others.

*Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org*

**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

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Thurs. 1-4 pm

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### West Zion Announcements

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

1. Isaac Yoder Schrock has transferred his membership to First Mennonite Church of Iowa City.

2. **Cemetery cleanup** for Memorial Day is Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 9 AM.

### General Announcements

3. **Hesston College Theatre** hosts a summer theatre camp June 1-6 for middle school students ages 11 to 13. The workshops give participants opportunities to work in every aspect of staging a performance from creating the script to painting the set, working backstage, and performing. Registration is \$40. Financial assistance is available upon request. Register by May 11 online at [hesston.edu/theatrecamp](http://hesston.edu/theatrecamp) or by contacting Laura Kraybill at [620-327-8142](tel:620-327-8142) or [laurak@hesston.edu](mailto:laurak@hesston.edu).

### 4 Bethel College Events

**Sun., May 3,** Annual Masterworks concert with Bethel College choirs, Oratorio Chorus and Philharmonia Orchestra, **Brahms' A German Requiem**, 3 PM. (change in time from printed calendars), *Memorial Hall* (ticket purchase required; available at the door)

**Tues., May 5,** Julie Wedel Martens senior piano recital, 7 PM., *Bethel College Administration Building chapel*

**Weds., May 6,** Bethel College jazz ensembles present Jazz on the Green, 8 PM. (*Krehbiel Auditorium if rain*)

**Fri., May 8,** Concert by Woven, Bethel College a cappella women's ensemble, 7 PM., *Memorial Hall*. (Woven members: Lisa Goering, Karina Ortman, Michelle Peachey, Erin Regier, Alli Rudeen, Abby Schrag, Jill Siebert, Georgia Thiesen and Michelle Unruh)

**Sun., May 10,** Concert by Open Road, Bethel College a cappella men's ensemble, 7 PM., *Memorial Hall*. (Open Road members: Josh Booth, Leland Brown III, Matthew Graber, Riley King, Ben Kreider, Tim Regier, Tyler Shima, Chase Stucky and Braden Unruh)

5. The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association (SCHMA) is again offering \$500 scholarships to individuals preparing for full-time Christian Service, the Ministry, or Long-Term Voluntary Service. If you know of persons who may qualify for a scholarship, please encourage them to apply.

6. Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is requesting donations to support its response to the 7.8-magnitude earthquake that shook Nepal April 25. Focusing its initial emergency response on hard-hit rural communities, MCC is providing food, tarps, blankets and cooking pots and utensils. A longer-term response will be determined as MCC and its partners assess the situation. Please pray for the people of Nepal and the work of MCC. Donations can be made at [mcc.org/nepal-earthquake](http://mcc.org/nepal-earthquake) or by calling 888-563-4676. Checks may be sent to MCC U.S., PO Box 500, Akron, PA, 17501-0500.

7. Hesston College will host a Lecture and Reception with author John E. Sharp for the just released book, *My Calling to Fulfill, The Orie O. Miller Story*. The event is on the Hesston campus in Room 125, Friesen Center, at 3 PM. on Fri., May 8th, as part of Commencement Weekend. *My Calling to Fulfill* shares untold stories of Miller's childhood, college years, marriage, and internal conflict between his commitment to family and commitment to his beloved church.

8. The Western District Conference Executive Board announces the appointment of Heidi Regier Kreider as the new Conference Minister. They believe that her spiritual maturity, character, administrative abilities, and love for the church in all its variety equip her for leading WDC at this time in our history. She begins her service as conference minister on August 17. Heidi is in her 15th year of ministry as lead pastor of Bethel College Mennonite Church, North Newton, KS. Prior to this, she served for nine years as pastor of Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Gainesville, FL. Heidi is married to David Kreider, who is employed at Kauffman Museum, N. Newton, KS. Her son Ben is a student at Bethel College; her son Mark is at Goshen College.

~ Wish “ **Happy Birthday**” this week  
May 4: Dan Pohl

~Wish ” **Happy Anniversary**” this week  
May 3: Dale & Elda Jantzen  
May 6: Leon & Virginia Guhr

### **Joys and Concerns**

Harvey and Mary Graber, as Harvey recovers from respiratory issues at Moundridge Mercy Hospital.

Samson, Trynity, Keyona and their mother Christel as they contemplate moving to California.

Luke’s friend Keari Bennett, recovering from surgery for stomach cancer.

Mike and Carol Hiebert at the passing of Mike’s mother Janis

### **Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network**

The deadline to apply for Mennonite Mission Network’s Mennonite Voluntary Service program is May 31. Pray that those whom God is calling to live out their faith will respond affirmatively.

### **Prayer Requests from Western District Conference**

Pray for Conference Minister Clarence Rempel who is meeting with racial/ethnic pastors and churches in Texas this weekend.

### **Mission Signs**

Don't just talk to your friends! Look for visitors and be intentional about engaging them in conversation. Give them a hearty West Zion welcome!

Mennonite Education Sunday  
Attendance:   Worship: 134

## **Sunday, May 10 2015**

**9:30 am:** Sunday School

**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad

**Message:** Pastor Brad

**Candle Lighter:** Trynity Petersen

**Greeter:** Kirk & Carla Stucky

**Ushers:** Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

**Jr. Usher:** Trynity Petersen

**10:30 am:** Worship Service

**Scripture:** Connie Graber

**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

### **Coming Events**

**Today:**       2 PM VBS Meeting, 7 PM Mennonite Men’s Choir  
                  preforming in Presser Hall at Bethany College in  
                  Lindsborg.

May 6:       Deacons meeting 4:30 PM

May 7:       4 PM Christian Discipleship Team Meeting

May 13:      Christian Homemaker hosts a Salad Supper for the ladies  
                  of the church 6:30 PM

May 16:      SPACE 9-10 AM, Cemetery Clean-up 9 AM

May 24:      Open game night 5-8 PM

June 7:      West Zion Concert 7 PM

