**West Zion Mennonite Church** 

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

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Lent 1

Words for silent meditation: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. (Psalm 32:1)

Prelude

Donna Stucky Lighting of the Christ Candle Mateo Roth

Pastor Brad Welcome

The Lord be with you / and also with you.

**Announcements** 

"Alleluia" Kaleigh Guhr Special Music

by W.A. Mozart

Call to Worship, Psalm 32

Let all who are faithful / offer prayer to you, O God.

Greeting in Christ's peace

\*\*Celebrating in Song

I stand amazed in the presence (on screen)

Create in me a clean heart Change my heart, oh God

Carla Stucky Scripture Matthew 4:1-11

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Kaleigh Guhr **Special Music** "Chariot's A-Comin"

by Patterson

Children dismissed to Little Flock (for preschool-age children)

"Are we lost yet?" Message **Pastor Brad** 

The wages of sin is death,

but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Extinguishing the cross candle

Each week we will extinguish a candle on the altar cross to mark our journey with Christ toward the darkness of the crucifixion. The final candle will be extinguished at our Maundy Thursday service.

**Song of Response** Jesus, tempted in the desert

**STS 36** 

Offering and Coins Count Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Blessing of gifts for Talita Cumi orphanage

Prayers of the People

\*\* Sending Song I want Jesus to walk with me

**HWB 439** 

\*\*Benediction

\*\*Postlude

Greeters: Leon & Virginia Guhr

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman, Frances Neufeld

Little Flock: Zettie Wedel

**Sermon Notes** 

Are we lost yet? Matthew 4:1-11

Theme

When we're tempted, God finds us.

Kev Verse

(Matthew 4:1) Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be

tempted by the devil.

Notes

A Prayer

God who searches us out in the desert, point us back to life with you

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org Find us on Facebook!

# **Sunday, March 12, 2017**

9:30 am: Sunday School
Candle Lighter: Elijah Roth
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad

10:30 am: Worship Service
Scripture: Donna Stucky
Accompanist: Donna Stucky

Message: Pastor Brad Music: Chancel Choir

Greeters: Sharon & Bob Gehring

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

**Little Flock:** 

# **Coming Events**

Today: Becky Clark Piano Recital 2-6 PM

March 7: 4 PM Mission Team Meeting

March 8: 4 PM CDT Meeting, 5:45 MYM / Wed. Night Supper,

(Adults eat at 6 PM) Menu Sloppy Joes,

Chancel Choir Practice 7 PM

March 11: 6 PM Anthony and Krystal's baby shower

March 12: Daylight Saving Time begins

March 22: 5:45 MYM / Wed. Night Supper, (Adults eat at 6 PM)

Menu Pancakes, Chancel Choir Practice 7 PM

8 PM Council Meeting

March 23-26: Pastor Brad to Liberal for Camino de Santidad

congregational anniversary

March 29: 5:45 MYM / Wed. Night Supper, (Adults eat at 6 PM)

Menu Tater Tot Cass., Chancel Choir Practice 7 PM

**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

Pastor's Office hours: Tues. and Wed. 10 am -12:30 pm

Thurs. 1-4 pm

Pastor's Cell: 620-386-4838

Pastor Brad's email:bradroth@westzionmc.org

**Sec. hours**: Tues. & Wed. 2:30-3:30 PM, Thurs. 2:30-5:30 PM

Church: 620-345-8143 Becky's cell: 620-345-6696

Church's email: secretary@westzionmc.org

Website: www.westzionmc.org

#### **West Zion Announcements**

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

- 1. College / Service Connection Letters Please remember to pull an address for one of our students off the bulletin board in the foyer. Write them a note of encouragement, or share your favorite verse, just to let them know we are thinking of them. Please see Connie Kaufman if you have questions.
- 2. Life happens. Might some of the hard things that come our way also be openings for God's grace and provision? This week Pastor Brad is launching a new sermon series for Lent entitled "Hard Gifts." Come and learn more about how life's hard places can become God's grace places.
- 3. After seeing how prayer animated Jesus' life, his disciples asked him, "Lord, teach us to prayer." What is prayer, and how do we do it? What can we learn about pray by observing how people interact with Jesus in the gospels? Pastor Brad is teaching an adult Sunday School class on prayer starting this week. Everyone is invited. You don't have to have been a part of Sunday School in the past.
- 4. Anthony and Krystal are having a baby boy in April! We are throwing them a Baby shower on Sat., March 11th at 6 PM @ West Zion. This is a Couples Baby Shower, all are welcome to attend. RSVP to Lici at 620-386-4194
- 5. MCC Comforter Blitz is Mon.- March 6<sup>th</sup>. Christian Homemakers will leave church at 10:15 AM to eat lunch at Carriage Crossing then go to the Comforter Blitz. All Ladies are invited to join us if they would like to help tie MCC Comforters at Yoder. Anyone that can't go on Mon. but would like to go, contact Sharon G. I plan to go again on Wed., time is flexible that day. The days/hours for the Blitz are March 6-12:30-5, March 7 & 8 9AM-5PM. You can come and go during any of the listed times. Lunch is served for a donation on site Tues. and Wed.
- 6. During the month of March, we will receive a freewill offering to help cover pre-sale expenses for the Mennonite Relief Sale. The theme for the sale is "You did it for Me". Please mark on you checks KMRS.
- 7. During the month of March is the Mennonite Central Committee's "Coins Count". There are two ways to give. We will have the traditional coin offering during the offertory time of worship service.

The "Quarters for MCC Tower" located in the foyer will continue. A foot of quarters is approximately \$45 dollars, let's fill the tower.

- 8. West Zion will hold a MCC Fellowship Meal on Sunday, April 2, following worship. The cost is \$20.00 per adult and \$6.00 per child. All the proceeds go to MCC. RSVP is required by March 13. Look for registrations forms in your church mail boxes or call Sharon Becker to register 620-747-0924.
- 9. Sun., March 5, Bethel College Wind Ensemble and Bethel College Philharmonia Orchestra joint concert, 8 PM., *Memorial Hall.* Featuring music by Stucky, Gilmore, Mahler, Buxtehude and Wagner, with special guest Soyoun Chun, voice.

### **General Announcements**

10. Life Enrichment at Bethel College March 8

**9:30 AM:** "Journey Home to Rome," Mark Frazier, Edward Jones © financial adviser, Newton

10:15: Coffee break

**10:35:** "Teachers of Historical Characters: Entertainment or Good Education?" Wes Schmidt-Tieszen, retired educator, Newton

11:30: "Innocent but Convicted," Floyd Bledsoe, Burrton

- 11. "Make a Joyful Song: Celebrating the Legacy of Walter Jost" is the theme of the Newton Chorale's 40th season concert on Sun., March 5, 6:30 PM at Bethel College Mennonite Church in N. Newton. Director Renae Schmidt Peters has included many of Jost's favorite works, including Harold Moyer's "Songs of Faith." Admission is free with an offering taken to help cover concert expenses. Poster in the foyer.
- 12. Hopeful Blues, a 5 piece instrumental ensemble from Hope Mennonite Church, Wichita, will hold a benefit concert March 5 at First Mennonite Church, Halstead, 427 W. 4th Street. The concert begins at 7 PM. A freewill offering taken goes to Camp Mennoscah. CD's are available for purchase. Members of Hopeful Blues are: Eldon Chlumsky (djembe), Galen Fast (saxophone and other woodwinds), Leon Greaser (guitar), Rod Kremer (bass), and Laurie Regehr (piano).
- 13. Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group meets March 7 at 2 PM in Menno Hall. Danika Bielek leads the group in movement and music.

- 14. Thurs, Sat., March 9-11 is the Bethel College spring musical, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, 7:30 PM., *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center* (ticket purchase required)
- 15. Tues., March 14 is Andrew Thiesen's senior trombone recital, 7:30 PM *Administration Building chapel at Bethel College.*
- 16. Weds., March 15, the Bethel College Jazz Combos 1 & 2, Jazz Ensemble II, performs at 7 PM, in *Mojo's Coffee Bar at Bethel College*
- 17. Sat., March 11, at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains in Hesston, is the 7th Annual Go Green Leprechaun Run, including 10K and 2-mile races, a costume contest, refreshments and games. Festivities begin at 8:30 AM start of the 10K race and last until 11:30 AM. Registration is available online at <a href="https://www.dyckarboretum.org/event/leprechaun-run/">www.dyckarboretum.org/event/leprechaun-run/</a>. Participants can print their registration form and submit the completed form with payment to the Arboretum office. Registration forms submitted after March 1st will incur an additional \$5 fee. <a href="mailto:Volunteers">Volunteers</a> are needed for this event. For more information call <a href="mailto:620-327-8127">620-327-8127</a> or contact <a href="mailto:arboretum@hesston.edu">arboretum@hesston.edu</a>.
- 18. All women in Western District and South Central Conferences are invited to attend the annual Mennonite Women Spring Supper March 23 at 6 PM at Bethel College. Supper provided by Bethel College Women's Association (BCWA). Make your reservation by March 16. More information on the poster on the bulletin board.
- 19. Retirees Relaxation Retreat coming up in April We'll gather April 24-26 to hear stories of faith, courage, and fun. Calling <u>620-297-3290</u> for brochures or register online at campmennoscah.org.
- 20. Garden Community Church is hosting a marriage seminar on April 1 with Dr. Greg and Erin Smalley. The seminar is entitled: "A Crazy Little Thing Called Marriage" and looks at ways couples can strengthen their marriage. Cost is \$25/couple or \$15/individual. For more information, visit gardencommunitychurch.org.
- 21. Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association Annual Meeting, is Sun., March 12 at 2:30 PM in the First Mennonite Church, 429 East First Street, Newton, KS. The speaker is Mr. Curt Goering, originally of Moundridge, Kansas. Currently he is with "Center for Victims of Torture," located in St. Paul, Minnesota. More information is posted on the bulletin board.

~Wish "Happy Birthday" to~

March 5: Kent Jantzen, Jeremy Kessler, Kevin Loganbill, &

Lyle Koehn

March 6: Denise Shipley

March 7: Angie Durst

March 8: Brendan Bergen

March 8: Katelyn Norden & Kaleigh Guhr

March 9: Lance Loganbill, Michelle Helm, Keith Krehbiel, &

Glenda Golden

March 11: Maddie Koehn

## **Prayer Concerns**

Tammy Voorhees, a former student of Donna Stucky, who recently suffered from a stroke.

Asher and Lindsey Fast, who recently began a term of service with Eastern Mennonite Missions in Botswana. Asher is Mark and Donna Stucky's nephew.

Maleya, Carl and Tracy's granddaughter, who has been dealing with some struggles lately.

Give thanks for Tiffany and Justin (Kaufman) Regehr who are expecting a baby in August.

# **Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network**

A MMN family with two young children is serving in Turkey. Pray that this family may hold the light and hope of Jesus in an uncertain political environment, and that they may find friends and other believers to encourage them in difficult times.

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

Pray for pastor Jaime Cazares whose ordination is celebrated at Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, Newton, KS, at 3 pm today.

## **Mission Mosaic**

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