

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Proclaim the power of God, whose majesty is over Israel, whose power is in the skies. (Psalm 68:34)*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ Candle Mateo Roth
Welcome Sharon Gehring

The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

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Sing - to - God, O king-doms of the earth.

Greeting in Christ's peace

**Celebrating in Song

God is here among us HWB 16
All hail the power of Jesus' name HWB 285

Scripture Luke 24:44-53 Bonnie Kaufman
Pg 1048

Alleluia STJ 41

Scripture John 6:60-71 Bonnie Kaufman
Pg 1057

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

Message "Lord, to whom can we go?" Pastor Brad

Response Litany for Ascension, **"You are the King of Glory!"**

Offering and Offertory

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

** Sending Song We will follow STS 40

**Benediction

**Postlude

Greeters: Dave & Zettie Wedel

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

Little Flock: Zettie Wedel

Sermon Notes

Lord, to whom can we go?

John 6:60-71

Theme

Jesus' life and word are our refuge.

Key Verse

(NRSV) John 6:68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Notes

A Prayer

Lord who speaks the word of life, grant us refuge in you.

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

Find us on Facebook!

Sunday, June 4, 2017

9:30 am: Sunday School
Candle Lighter: Elijah Roth
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad
Message: Pastor Brad
Greeters: Mel & Kathi Becker
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler
Little Flock: Kaleigh Guhr

10:30 am: Worship Service
Scripture: Pastor Brad
Accompanist: Donna Stucky
Music: Praise Team

Coming Events

May 31: FEWZ Youth Group 6 PM, Youth Rm,
Bible Study 7-8 PM, in the Conference Rm
June 3: Chalupa Meal for Black Kettle
June 4: Pentecost, celebration of the Lord's Supper, and time
of anointing
June 7: Bible Study 7-8 PM, in the Conference Rm
June 11: 7 PM West Zion Concert
June 14: Bible Study 7-8 PM, in the Conference Rm
June 21: Bible Study 7-8 PM, in the Conference Rm
June 22: Church Council 7:30 PM
June 28: Bible Study 7-8 PM, in the Conference Rm
July 1: Pastor Brad begins Sabbatical, Pastor Eric Buller
begins as interim pastor.
July 5: Bible Study 7-8 PM, in the Conference Rm

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

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Website: www.westzionmc.org

West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.

Check the bulletin board for more announcements.

1. Do you have sewing skills and a heart for children? As part of VBS this year, kids will stuff and decorate simple, small teddy bears. We need help sewing around the edges of the bears. The bears are in the foyers, if you're interested. Return to Pastor Brad by June 15.

2. Next week is Pentecost. We invite you to wear red to represent the fiery presence of God's Holy Spirit!

3. Next Sunday, June 4, we will celebrate communion. Let's prepare our hearts and mend relationships so that we can come with joy to meet our Lord at his table!

4. A relationship without a name is really no relationship at all. Learning a person's name is the beginning of really knowing someone. In a 6 week Bible study led by Carla Stucky, we explore the meaning, historical significance, and practical applications for 30 names of God and unpack the richness of His character and splendor. We meet on Wed. from 7-8 pm in the West Zion conference room beginning May 31 and ending July 5. This is open to all women no matter where you are in your spiritual journey. You will need to purchase the book "Knowing God by Name: A Personal Encounter" by Mary Kassian which costs around \$13-15. If you need help with payment of the book, buying the book, or have questions, contact Carla at [620-386-0414](tel:620-386-0414).

5. Western District Conference annual assembly is August 4-6 in Arlington, Texas. Please see Sharon Gehring if interested in being a delegate for our church. WDC is considering chartering a bus from Newton, but we need to inform the WDC office by May 30 if you have an interest in taking the bus. Registration for the conference is later in June.

6. You're Invited to VBS! This year will be a one weekend event called "Camp Out VBS." West Zion will host VBS on July 7-9 (Friday 6-8:30 pm, Saturday, 9-11:30 am, Sunday evening closing celebration). You can register a kid or as a volunteer at: <https://vbspro.events/p/events/2b7780>

7. On April 20, Associated Churches of Moundridge became Associated Ministries of Moundridge. The name change came with the adoption of new bylaws which give the constituent ministries a stronger role in the organization, lay the groundwork for a unified

budget, and provide for an Executive Director to give oversight to the ministries. Questions? Talk to Pastor Brad.

8. Associated Ministries of Moundridge, a community service agency grounded in Christian faith, seeks a quarter time (10-12 hours/week) Executive Director (E.D.) to help us take our mission to the next level. The E.D. will work with the Board of Directors and Treasurer to cast vision and supervise overall operations of the Ministries, including fundraising, budgeting, and setting Board meeting agenda. The E.D. will serve as the primary point of contact and liaison between the Board, Ministries, the community, and area churches. The successful candidate will possess strong listening and communication skills, a background in management (nonprofit a plus), and fundraising expertise. Application and complete job description are available at: <https://goo.gl/YzHbOM>, or by contacting Brad Roth at ammoundridge@gmail.com or 620-386-4838

9. Edna Anderson has moved. Her new address is:

Edna Anderson
25 North, Kidron Bethel Village
3001 Ivy Dr
North Newton, KS 67117

BUDGET SUMMARY

Receipts – last Sunday	\$ 5,197.22
Receipts – YTD	\$ 72,105.21
2017 Budget	\$157,609.00
Less: Expended to date	(\$48,748.21)
Less: Cash balance	(\$33,966.43)
Receipts needed	\$ 74,894.36
Avg. offering needed to meet budget	\$ 2,416.00
Sabbatical Fund receipts (Goal \$5250)	\$ 5,240.00

General Announcements

10. Bethel College seeks a full-time director of development. Bachelor's degree required with 3-5 years' experience in funds solicitation or a combination of transferable experience. Send cover letter, resume and three professional references to: Fred Goering (interim vice president for advancement), fgoering@bethelks.edu; see full job description at www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/people/career-opportunities/

11. TODAY (Sun., May 28), is an Impromptu special Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum event, 3 PM at *Kauffman Museum*. David Moon, professor of history, University of York (United Kingdom), presents "The Amerikan Steppe: Influences from Russia and Ukraine on the Great Plains, 1870s-1930s," as a "prequel" to the film *America: Promised Land* that includes the story of Mennonite immigrants to Kansas, scheduled to air on History (cable channel) May 29-30.

13. Sat., June 3, The public is invited to "Walk Sand Creek Trail Day," part of National Trails Day®. Water is available for people and dogs at the trailhead at Memorial Grove on the Bethel College campus, dawn to dusk (6 AM-8 PM), courtesy of the Sand Creek Trail Committee.

14. Sat., June 3, is also the Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk. Join experienced birders Gregg Friesen and Rod Wedel at 6:30 AM in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours. Please be aware this is mostly on an unpaved trail and the terrain is sometimes sloping or steep. (For help locating Kauffman Museum, see www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/location/campus-map/)

15. The *retirement income* seminar, held at 7 PM at the Everence office in Hesston on June 5, will help you determine if you have enough money to retire, what to do if the market doesn't cooperate and how to know if your savings will last. Seminars are. . To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at [\(620\) 327-4043](tel:6203274043) or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

16. The annual Womens/Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah is Sept.8-10. The theme this year is "Together: Rooted and Reaching" led by Barb Krehbiel Gehring. We will also celebrate 100 years of Mennonite Women. Watch for more details and registration in July.

Wish "Happy Birthday" to~

May 30: Amy D. Krehbiel

May 31: Donna Stucky, Luke Loganbill, & Dwayne Schmidt

Prayer Concerns

Pray for:

Wayne and Jeannie Larson, transition to a new ministry based in Colorado that involves travel to the Arabian Peninsula.

Basma and her son Awad, who the Larsons have been ministering to.

Brad Guhr, recovering after appendicitis.

Carolyn Yost, Ellen Kaufman's mother, dealing with pancreatic cancer
The Kaufman family, traveling to Arizona.

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network

MMN requests prayer for Margrit Kipfer Barrón as she compiles a book-study of Luke's Gospel to introduce non-Christian readers to Jesus. She wants this current project to be available to people living in remote areas of Bolivia where her pastor-husband, Freddy, helps to organize book fairs.

Prayer Requests from Western District Conference

Pray for the WDC Ministerial Leadership Commission meeting this week, as they provide support and accountability to leaders in our congregations

Attendance: Sunday School: 23 Worship Service: 81

Mission Mosaic

The Mennonite Voluntary Service Unit in San Antonio, Texas Pg 56