

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. (Psalm 96:1)*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle Elijah Roth

Welcome Connie Kaufman
 The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Choral call to worship *Prayer of Need* Chancel Choir
Call to Worship (on screen)

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song**

Let us build a house (All are welcome) (insert)
 All creatures of our God and King (vss. 1-3, 7) HWB # 48

Scripture - Matthew 18:21-35 (video on screen)

Special music Nicholas Preheim

Message "Defined by mercy" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *Forgive our sins as we forgive* HWB # 137

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *As you go out from here (insert)*

****Benediction**
****Postlude**

***please stand if able*

Songbooks in pews: HWB-blue, STS-purple spiral, STJ-green spiral

Greeter: Norman Funk

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Defined by mercy
Matthew 18:21-35

Theme

Receive God's mercy and extend mercy to others.

Key Verse

Matthew 18:33 "Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?"

Notes

A Prayer

Merciful God, instill in us a hearty sense of gratitude for all that you have done for us.

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

Sunday, October 29, 2017

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Greeters: Bob & Sharon Gehring **Candle Lighter:** Lexi Heslop
Message: Pastor Brad **Special Music:** Ellen Kaufman
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman, Frances Neufeld

Coming Events

October 22: 7 PM Fall West Zion Concert
October 25: MYM, Taco meal at 6 PM, Choir at 7 PM
Nov. 1: MYM, Tater tot casserole at 6 PM, Choir at 7 PM
Nov. 3: MCC Meat Canning event, sign-up in foyer
Nov. 5: Mission Sunday **AT EDEN**. Worship 9:30 AM; Sunday School 10:30 AM, followed by youth fundraiser meal
Nov. 8: *LAST MYM AND MEAL*, Pancake/sausage at 6 PM, Choir at 7 PM
Nov. 12: Annual Budget Meeting following a noon meal
Nov. 26: Hanging of the Greens 5:30, followed by Tasting Bee

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. The flowers in the front of the church are in memory of Jerome Kaufman on the 2 year anniversary of his death.
2. Diaper Shower for Brett and Holly on Friday, Nov. 3rd at 7PM in the WZ church basement. Join us as we reveal baby's gender and enjoy some snacks together! You can bring diapers or wipes. Please RSVP to Lici at [620-386-4194](tel:620-386-4194).
3. Two songs that we're singing today come from the developing Hymnal 2020 Project: "Let us build a house (all are welcome)" and "As you go out from here." We're trying these songs as part of the Great Day of Singing. There will also be two hymn sings in the area: Saturday, December 2 at Hesston College Mennonite at 7:00 PM and Sunday, December 3 at 6:30 PM at Bethel College Mennonite Church in North Newton. Both will be led by project director and general editor Bradley Kauffman.
4. The budget meeting will be Sunday, November 12. A potluck meal will be held immediately after morning worship followed by the Annual Budget meeting. For households with only one person, a single dish for the potluck meal is fine.
5. The gifts discernment surveys have been distributed and are in your church mailbox. Please return to Pastor Brad or the secretary's mailbox by October 29.
6. A West Zion Concert will be tonight at 7 PM at West Zion. Featured performers include Ken Rodgers, organ; the McPherson Community Brass Choir directed by Jerry Toews; Jonathan Schrag, baritone vocalist; Hopeful Blues instrumental quintet; and Donna Stucky, piano. There is no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be received during the concert. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow. For a list of members for each group, please see the poster on the foyer bulletin board. Come enjoy a great evening of music! *Thank you to all who signed up to bring cookies, please bring to the church kitchen by 6:00 pm tonight.*

7. Pine Village is inviting our West Zion congregation to join them on Thursday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Krehbiel Apartments Commons Area to learn more about the proposed Kitchen remodel and expansion. This will be an information only meeting seeking input from attendees on their opinion of the project and if they feel it is feasible.

8. West Zion needs to contribute \$1,100 to purchase the meat for the MCC meat canning event on Friday, November 3 at the MCC Center in North Newton. Please write checks to West Zion Mennonite, mark in the memo "MCC Meat Canning" and place in the offering plate. A sign-up sheet for working different shifts can be found on the foyer bulletin board.

9. Please bring items for MCC Relief Kits during the month of October. A list of items that are needed can be picked up in foyer. Christian Homemakers will see that all items are taken to MCC center early November. Any money donated will be used to purchase needed items. Relief kits are urgently needed by MCC due to the many natural disasters recently.

General Announcements

10. The annual Tabor Mennonite Men Chicken BBQ is Nov. 2 at Tabor Mennonite Church. We start feeding at 5 PM the BEST Chicken BBQ, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw and Ice Cream anywhere. Donations going to Camp Mennoscah & Tabor Building Project.
11. Halstead First Mennonite (427 W. 4th St) is hosting their mission supper on Saturday, November 11 from 5-7 PM. Donations go to Halstead Neighbors Store and missionaries Dan and Kathryn Smith-Derksen and Juanita and Francisco Machado.
12. Ten Thousand Village/Fair Trade International Gift Festival is coming to Newton November 24-25 and December 1-2, 8-9, 15-16 from 10 AM-5 PM at the Mezzanine above Prairie Harvest at 601 N. Main in Newton. On Sundays December 3, 10 and 17, hours will be from 1-4 PM.
13. You're invited to Lunch & Learn at MCC on Thursday, November 9 and hear host Doug Hostetter, director of the MCC United Nations office, and Thien Phoc, an intern from Vietnam, speak on the Vietnam War. They will speak on "Living Peace in Time of War: Reflections on

MCC service in the war zone during the Vietnam War", sharing about MCC's work in post-war Vietnam. Lunch will be provided by Mojo's Coffee Bar. Please RSVP by Nov. 6 to patsydirksen@mcc.org or 316-283-2720. Go to mcc.org/lunch-learn for more information.

14. The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association will hold its annual banquet October 26 at Eden Mennonite. The speaker will be Dale Schrag of North Newton who will speak on "Searching for a Usable Past." The meal will be served at 6:00 pm and will cost \$20. Pay at the door. Information on making reservations can be found on the foyer bulletin board.

15. The Worship and Arts Symposium at Bethel College, "Seasons of the Soul: Enacting the Mystery of Faith," will feature special guest presenter and resource person Ted Swartz. It will take place Friday evening, November 18 and all day Saturday, November 19 and features Swartz's performance of "Slightly Left of Normal, a Festival choir for all interested singers, and the Kansas premier production of "Discovery: A Comic Lament" produced by Ted & Co. Theaterworks on Sunday, November 19 at Faith Mennonite Church. For more details, visit bethelks.edu/worshiparts or look at the foyer bulletin board. The Worship Team will cover costs for those who wish to attend, contact Pastor Brad or Gerry Major to register.

16. As the Resonate team gathers material for a new hymnal, they are rolling out a call for a first-of-its-kind feature within Mennonite hymnals: a vision to include visual images that complement the musical and verbal rhythms of worship found in the collection. See more information on the bulletin board.

Wish "**Happy Birthday**" to:

October 25: Tim Diehl

October 27: Bonnie Kaufman, Melvin Graber

October 28: Kenneth Krehbiel II

Wish a "**Happy Anniversary**" to:

October 25: Lyle & Joyce Koehn

Prayer Concerns

Sami and Bill, Richard and Glenda Golden's daughter and son-in-law, at the passing of Bill's grandmother.

Mason Dyck, Jan's grandson, recovering from a broken arm from football

Maleya White, who moved to a new home on October 18.

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Mission Network

Today, 26 Mennonite Voluntary Service participants begin their five-day retreat at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp in Colorado. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for safe travels and a meaningful time of worship and fellowship.

Prayer Requests from Western District Conference

Pray for members of WDC Executive Board, Commissions, Gifts Discernment Committee, and staff as they attend Reference Council on October 28 to build relationships and share together in the work of WDC.

Attendance: Worship Service: 60