West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday School10:30 AM: Morning WorshipVol. LIIINovember 11, 2018No. 44

During the prelude we invite you to prepare your heart for worship by meditating on the words for silent meditation which are taken from the psalm for the day.

Words for silent meditation: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God (Psalm 146:3-5)

Prelude Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Sharon Gehring

The Lord be with you / and also with you.

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship We Come with Singing Chancel Choir

Call to Worship, (HWB 825) from Psalm 146

Greeting in Christ's peace

**Celebrating in song

All people that on earth do dwell

Love divine, all loves excelling

HWB 42

HWB 592

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Crysta Guhr

Special Music We Rejoice in all Your Ways Chancel Choir

Message "Strength to Love" Pastor Brad

Song of Response The King of love my shepherd is (vss.1,3,6) HWB 170

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

**Sending Song

The love of God

STJ 44

**Benediction

**Postlude

**please stand if able

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

S&R-green hardbound

Greeter(s): Geneva Wedel

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Sermon Notes

Strength to Love 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Theme

Where do you need the strength to love?

Key Verse

(1 Thessalonians 3:13) May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father

when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

<u>Notes</u>

A Prayer

Almighty God who embraces your people in love, feed and fortify us for your kingdom work.

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

Sunday, November 18, 2018

9:30 AM: Sunday School
Message: Pastor Brad Roth
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad

10:30 AM: Worship Service
Scripture: Tracy Duffman
Accompanist: Carla Stucky

Greeter(s): Mel & Kathi Becker Music: Sam Shilts Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Coming Events

Today: Noon meal and Budget meeting, Deacon vote Nov. 14: LAST MYM AND MEAL (Tator tot casserole),

Choir 7:00 pm, Church Council 8 pm

Nov. 21: No Chancel Choir

Nov. 25: Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite at 9:30 am,

speaker Byron Pellecer (no SS or worship at WZ),

Youth fundraiser meal to follow SS at Eden

Nov. 28: Safe Sanctuary training 6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall

Children's Choir practice 6:30-7, Choir 7:00 pm

Dec. 1: 3:30 Hanging of the Greens, 5:00 pm Tasting Bee &

money tree baby shower for the Roth family

Dec. 5: Children's Choir practice 6:30-7, Choir 7:00
Dec. 9: Christian Homemaker Christmas gathering
Dec. 12: Children's Choir practice 6:30-7, Choir 7:00

Dec. 16: Children's Choir sings during morning worship

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

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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. **Today is our deacon election.** The two candidates are Sharon Gehring and Geneva Wedel. Thanks to both of them for being willing to be on the ballot.
- 2. Join us after worship today for a **carry-in potluck meal**. All are invited, there will be plenty! Following the meal, we will be holding our **annual budget meeting**.
- 3. November 25, 9:30 AM is Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite with Byron Pellecer as our guest speaker. That morning, our combined churches will receive an offering for Western District Church Planting Commission and not for individual churches. Please give West Zion offerings either the week before or the week after. Thanks! A youth fundraiser meal will be served following Sunday School.
- 4. Sunday, **November 18 is the deadline** for announcements to be put in the Nov. 25 bulletin.
- 5. You're invited to support the Camp Mennoscah Fund! Council has established the Camp Mennoscah Fund as a way to give scholarships for kids to go to camp. The Christian Discipleship Team offers a scholarship of ½ of enrollment for West Zion kids. Sometimes, families need a little extra help. The Camp Mennoscah Fund will cover the difference.
- 6. A **thank you note** from Cradles to Crayons to the church for its support is on the bulletin board (the Deacon Team recently chose to send them \$1,000 from Deacon funds).
- 7. This holiday season the Associated Ministries of Moundridge will again be **selling coffee grown in Honduras** by the family of Moundridge native Julia Niehage Williams. This specialty coffee is available in 1 lb. bags of either whole bean or ground and would make great Christmas gifts or would be perfect to serve at holiday dinners or parties. The coffee sales will support the work of the Associated Ministries of Moundridge and the ministries they serve. This project will kickoff at the Moundridge Chamber of Commerce Craft Show at

Greer Auditorium on Saturday November 17 and will continue through the month of December. Please contact Rick Krehbiel at 620-386-4147 if you have any questions.

- 8. You are invited to join MC USA staff in the Newton offices (718 N Main St) to hear from Mennonite Mission Network workers (and West Zion missionary partners) **Wayne and Jeannie Larson** on Wednesday, Nov.14 from 2-3 pm. We will have coffee and hear a presentation from Wayne about work in the Middle East and other parts of the world. **Please contact Karen Loganbill if you would like to ride with her**.
- 9. Safe Sanctuary training, November 28, 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall. This training is for those who were unable to attend the first Safe Sanctuary training at the end of September. We'll discuss our West Zion Safe Sanctuary policy and have you fill out reference/background check forms. Completing a Safe Sanctuary training and having a current reference/background check on file is a requirement to work with kids at West Zion and is part of how we work to keep kids safe as they learn about the love of God!
- 10. Christian Homemakers' project is **collecting all kinds of used greeting cards**. Please include the entire card and the useable parts will be cut for use. They will be sent to the St. Jude's Children's Ranch to be used for certain projects. There is a box on the shelf in the lobby.

General Announcements

- 11. There is still a need for 55,000 comforters and you can help! MCC is asking for more comforters or for monetary donations to help purchase comforter supplies. A poster is on the bulletin board.
- 12. Ten Thousand Village Fair Trade Gift Festival will be held at two locations in the Newton area: 1) Nov. 23-25 Prairie Harvest Mezzanine, 601 North Main where a variety of Fair Trade items will be sold from artisans around the world; 2) Saturday, December 1 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.) Kidron Bethel Marketplace, 3001 Ivy Drive, North Newton where Fair Trade coffee, tea, chocolate along with Christmas Ornaments and small nativities will be available.

13. BETHEL COLLEGE EVENTS:

Nov. 11: Organ Recital Series: Hentus van Rooyen, 4 p.m., featuring music by J.S. Bach, Mendelssohn, Langlais, Vierne and Hakim, Administration Building chapel at Bethel College Nov. 18: Bethel College Women's Ensemble Fall Concert, 4 p.m., Administration Building chapel Nov. 30: Bethel College Wind Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m., with music celebrating the 100th birthday of Leonard Bernstein, Mem Hall Now in the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College: "Terms" by Stephanie Lanter, through Dec. 6. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri., 2-4 p.m. Sunday (closed Nov. 22-25 for Thanksgiving break).

Prayers for Joys and Concerns

Nancy Ottley, recovering at home after a surgery

Sherry Wedel, dealing with a varicose vein infection

Carl Duffman's cousin Ron

Gerry Major's brother in PA, as well as Gerry as she considers the best way to support him.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for the WDC Executive Board meeting next Saturday, as they lead WDC in its mission of empowering congregations to Witness and invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, Dwell in just and loving relationships, and Connect to God's mission in the world.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Join Mennonite Mission Network in praising God for the joy Alisha and Joshua Garber find as they participate in the ministries of the Barcelona Mennonite Church and share the good news of Jesus with the wider community in Spain. Pray that they may find a balance between serving others and nurturing family relationships.

Mission Mosaic in the pew

Robert & Sondra Tolle, Jonathan Voth, Kristin Jantzen, Judy Penner, Marie Saleh with Service Adventure in New Mexico, pg 58

We wish a "Happy Birthday" to:

November 11: Richard Stucky, Jr.

November 14: Bo Bachman

November 15: Janelle Brunner

November 16: Jessica Arzola, Ryan Dyck

We wish a "Happy Anniversary" to: November 16: Clark & Connie Graber