

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock! (Psalm 80:1)*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.

Stir up your might, and come to save us! You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches;
it sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River.

Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit? The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that moves in the field feed on it.
Turn again, O God of hosts;

look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that your right hand planted. They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one whom you made strong for yourself.

Then we will never turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call on your name.

Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Choral Call to Worship Steve & Amy Sherbenou
The Heart of Worship - Matt Redman

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song**

Come, thou Almighty King HWB 41
Marvelous grace of our loving Lord HWB 151

Scripture Psalm 107:1-32 Bulletin insert

Special Music *Press On* - Dan Burgess Family and Friends

Message "The Obstacle Is The Way" Jeanette Thomas

Song of Response *Praise, I will praise you, Lord* HWB 76

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *The Lord lift you up* STJ 73

****Benediction**

****Postlude** ****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Mel and Kathi Becker
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Welcome and thanks for Jeanette Thomas for bringing our morning message! Jeanette (Jt) loves seeing God at work in and through people. She has worked with youth organizations, served as Pastor of Extension Ministries at a church in Kansas City, and currently serves with HOPE International in the Heartland region. She spent the first 10 years of her life on a horse farm north of Moundridge and is the niece of Donna Stucky!

Sunday, August 25, 2019

No Sunday School **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad **Accompanist:** Carla Stucky
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Mateo Roth
Greeter(s): Carl & Tracy Duffman
Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Coming Events

Today: Guest speaker, Jeanette Thomas
August 24: Church-wide clean up with pizza meal 9 AM to noon
Sept. 1: Sunday School begins again, 9:30 AM!
Sept. 4: Chancel Choir organizational meeting 7:00 PM
Sept. 8: Congregational picture taken after worship
Sept. 15: Come and See Sunday
Sept. 18: Moundridge Youth Ministries and meals begin, will
 be held on Wednesdays through November 6 at WZ
Oct. 6: Church Picnic at the Lohrenz farm
Nov. 17: Joint Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite 9:30 AM

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.

REMINDER: No Sunday School in August

1. This coming Saturday, August 24 from 9 to noon is **church-wide clean up!** Mark your calendar for a time of deep-cleaning and tidying up our church building. The Christian Discipleship Team will provide pizza!
2. **Sunday School** for all ages will begin again on September 1 at 9:30 am, come check it out!
3. Do you have a burning question about the Bible? Is there something you've always wondered about but never asked? Now's your chance! The fall adult Sunday School will be about the big questions we all carry. Write your question (you can use the bottom of this insert), and drop it in the offering. Pastor Brad will draw from questions he receives as the basis for class discussion. **Join Pastor Brad for "Faith Questions,"** beginning September 1 @ 9:30 AM.
4. On Sunday, September 1st, a **softball game and home run derby** will take place to show love and support for Lorie, Lynn, Noah and Kate Eichelberger. Lorie Eichelberger battled and beat breast cancer 5 years ago and has only recently been diagnosed with a recurring form of this breast cancer, now in her leg. The evening will begin with a free will donation supper at 5. A light-hearted adult softball game between Inman and Moundridge will follow at 6. The evening will conclude with a home run derby on the baseball field, where anyone can attempt to prove their hitting prowess with 20 softballs pitched their way. Come join in the fun and help support Lorie and her family!
5. Our **missionary partners**, Wayne and Jeannie Larson, have sent an email to update us on events, answers to prayer, and prayer requests. This update was forwarded to those at West Zion who have email. If you didn't get the email and would like a copy, there are a few available in the foyer.
6. An organizational meeting of **Chancel Choir** will take place on Wednesday, September 4 at 7:00 pm. All those interested in joining choir are invited to attend.

7. Get away from BUSY and relax! Come join us at the **2019 Women & Girls' Retreat** September 6-8 at Camp Mennoscah. YOU choose what you want to do: Bible study, singing, art, yoga, mental health and spirituality, free time! Friday night we will decorate cookies! Registration forms are available in the foyer. Tammy Duvenal Unruh, debate/forensics coach from Newton will speak on the topic of Fearless! (II Tim. 1:7). This retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. **Registration forms are due August 26.**

8. October 6, **Church Picnic** at the Lohrenz farm. Watch this space for details!

9. **Cat's Closet:** One of the Deacons' goals this year is to sponsor a "near" project. They have chosen to support the Moundridge School District program called Cat's Closet. Cat's Closet provides students with hygiene products and school supplies that they might not otherwise have. During the month of August we will be collecting items in the foyer basket for this project. A take-home list of suggested items can be found by the basket.

General Announcements

10. The Moundridge Community **Blood Drive** is scheduled for Aug. 30 from 12-6 PM at the Pine Village Wellness Center. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use "Moundridge" for the sponsor code.

11. **Pine Village** will host its 8th Annual Bierock Supper on August 23 from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Wellness Center. Every meal includes a bierock, baked beans, potato chips, pickle and dessert for \$6.50! Bierocks also will be available to purchase by the half dozen and dozen, while they last. You can preorder packaged bierocks by calling 620-345-2900. Packaged bierocks will be available for pick up on August 20 in the Wellness Center. All proceeds will benefit the 2019 Benefit Day Project.

Faith Question for Brad (detach and put in offering plate)

12. Today is an opening reception for **Kauffman Museum's** award-winning "K is for Kansas: An Exhibit Exploring Kansas from A to Z," 1:30-4:30 p.m. This is a come-and-go event, with introductory remarks at 2 and 3:30 p.m. "K is for Kansas" is at the museum through Feb. 2; see kauffman.bethelks.edu or Kauffman Museum Facebook page.

13. You are invited to join MC USA staff in the Newton offices (718 N Main St, Newton KS) to hear from **Mennonite Mission Network** International Service Workers, Mark & Mary Hurst, on Wednesday Sept 4th from 2-3 pm. Mark and Mary will share about their work with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand.

14. You're invited to **Just Desserts**, Offender/Victim Ministries' summer fundraiser on Saturday, August 24 from 7-9 PM at Carriage Factory Art Gallery Park (128 E 6th St, Newton). Come meet current volunteers and learn more about OVM's work in our community. Tickets available online or through our office. Call (316) 283-2038 or visit our Facebook page for more information.

15. Are you looking for a summer sewing project? MCC is running low on **school kit bags!** You can review the guidelines and instructions at <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/bag>. Contact Kate Mast at katemast@mcc.org or 316-283-2720 with questions.

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Receipts – last week	\$ 594.00	\$ 515.00
Receipts – year to date	\$90,021.71	\$98,180.47
Budget	\$162,552.00	\$158,987.00
Less: expended to date	(88,660.03)	(81,364.90)
Less: cash balance	<u>(19,491.57)</u>	<u>(29,181.22)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 54,400.40	\$ 48,440.88
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,720.00	\$ 2,422.00

West Zion Joys & Concerns

Bob Gehring is improving and is home from the hospital.

Missionary Partners the Larsons as they bring Christ's light to others.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

As a new school year approaches, give thanks for the WDC Resource Library and the materials it offers for teachers, mentors, youth sponsors and pastors as they nurture faith formation in their congregations.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

MMN is grateful to God and to Laura Schlabach who has served as interim executive director for JCS in Mongolia for the past year. Pray for Elisabeth Mensert who became executive director on July 1.

Mission Mosaic

Argentina Global Mission Partnerships & Bolivia Global Mission Partnerships, pg 40-41



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:
 August 18: Jay Kessler
 August 19: Bruce Dyck
 August 20: Mel Becker

We wish a "**Happy Anniversary**" to:
 August 20: David & Marlene Wiens

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