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West Zion Mennonite Church
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM: Morning Worship

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No. 42

Words for silent meditation: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! (Psalm 119:103)

Prelude Carla Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Pastor Brad Roth

The Lord be with you / and also with you.

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 119:97-105
Oh Lord, I love your commands! / Write them on my heart.

Confession of sins, HWB 691

Greeting in Christ's peace

**Celebrating in song Brethren, we have met to worship HWB 8

Scripture John 6:47-59 Sandy Jantz

Message "The Manna of Life" Pastor Brad

Song of Response Break thou the bread of life HWB 360

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Song of Preparation *I am the Bread of life* HWB 472

Celebrating at the Lord's Table
HWB 660 The Lord be with you (on screen)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Sending Song Sent forth by God's blessing HWB 478

**Benediction

**Postlude **please stand if able

Greeter(s): Mike & Connie Kaufman

Ushers: Mel Becker, Norman Funk, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

The Manna of Life John 6:47-59

Theme - Jesus is the living bread who gives us eternal life.

Key Verse

(John 6:54) Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

Notes

A Prayer

God who gifts your people with all abundance, give us above all to eat of Christ's living bread.

Sunday, October 27, 2019

9:30 AM: Sunday School
Message: Pastor Brad Roth
10:30 AM: Worship Service
Accompanist: Donna Stucky

Worship Leader: Pastor Brad
Greeter(s): Will & Ellen Kaufman

Scripture: Zettie Wedel
Music: Fortress Ballet

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Coming Events

Oct. 20 & 21: Fellowship Hall & kitchen reserved

Oct. 27: West Zion Concert 7 PM

Oct. 28: MCC Meat Canning at MCC Center Oct. 30: Chancel Choir begins 7-8 PM

Nov. 10: Meal and Annual Budget Meeting

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.

- 1. During the month of October we're in a series looking at how Jesus' teaching on **communion shapes** our worship and our lives. Each Sunday we'll be celebrating communion. May this be a time for us to draw nearer to our Lord Jesus who promises to be "made known to [us] in the breaking of the bread" (Luke 24:35)!
- 2. All are invited to our next **West Zion Concert** on Sunday, October 27 at 7:00 pm. Featured performers include Ken Rodgers, organ; Tropical Shores, a steel pan duo with Brad Shores & Erica Nance; The Brainflowers, an instrumental trio composed of Rebecca Schloneger, violin, Seth Girton, cello, and Kenna Graber, flute. Donna Stucky, piano, will also perform. A free-will offering will be received and refreshments will follow the concert. If you are able to make cookies/bars or bring cheese and crackers, let Jan Dyck or Donna Stucky know.
- 3. The **West Zion choir** will begin practice on Wednesday, Oct. 30 from 7-8 pm and practice each Wednesday through December 18. We will sing the Sundays of November 10 and 24, and December 8 and 22. This would be a great time to join us in singing Thanksgiving and Christmas songs!
- 4. The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for October 25, 2019 at 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. at the Pine Village Wellness Center. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use "Moundridge" as the sponsor code. Thank you for your support and if you have any questions please call Denise Stucky at 620-386-0112 or contact by email at hdstucky@mtelco.net.
- 5. Every year MCC's Mobile Cannery travels across the US and Canada meeting volunteers who prepare cans of turkey, beef, chicken and pork to be sent around the world. On October 28 you "CAN" make a difference by signing up to help with meat canning. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Thank you to all who donated; \$1,230 was raised and our goal was met!
- 6. Join **Pastor Brad for discussion on "Faith Questions"** in the adult Sunday School class 9:30-10:15 AM through November. We'll

dive into some of the big questions that we all carry about the Bible, God, and life. Upcoming questions are: Oct. 27 – What happens when we die? A list of all the questions can be found on the foyer bulletin board and by the Sunday School door.

General Announcements

- 7. Four area residents (Rick Krehbiel, Gordon Goering, Kathy Neufeld Dunn and Marla Schmidt) **toured the US/Mexico Borderlands** in May (sponsored by MCC) with a team of 17 individuals. They will share their experiences on Sunday, November 3, at 7:00 PM at the Pine Village Wellness Center. The team traveled to South Texas and visited with the director of an immigrant youth shelter, observed immigration judges in session, spoke with Brownsville city officials and non-profits seeking to respond to the large waves of asylum seekers released into their community, shared a meal with pastors of churches in Mexico, traveled to the border wall, and more. All are invited to come hear these personal stories and reflections on the challenges and complexities of the immigration crisis occurring along our southern border.
- 8. Volunteers are needed **for two work days** in Eureka, KS on Saturdays, Oct. 26 and Nov. 2. We will meet at First Mennonite Church in Newton at 6:00 am in the East gravel parking lot and will be back in Newton between 5:00 and 6:00 PM. We will be completing several roofs that we damaged in the 2018 tornado there. Transportation, tools, water and lunch will be provided. Please text, email or call Jordan Miller with any questions at 316-217-4570 or <u>Jordanmiller795@gmail.com</u>.
- 9. Pine Village's Benefit Day Auction & Dinner will be October 24 at the Pine Village Wellness Center. The sausage dinner will be from 5-6:30 p.m. and the auction will begin at 6 p.m. In addition to the Live Auction, Pine Village is hosting an Online Auction until October 24th at 7 p.m. Photos of items are posted at www.pinevillageks.org or on Facebook at www.pinevillageks.org<

- 10. The next concert of the Prairie Window Concert Series, with **The Steel Wheels**, back by popular demand, will be on Saturday, October 26th at 7 p.m. at Memorial Hall on the Bethel College campus in North Newton. Join us for an evening of great music with this amazing group of roots musicians. Tickets: \$25 adults/\$15 kids, plus tax. Reserve your seat at dyckarboretum.org or call 620-327-8127.
- 11. The annual **Swiss Mennonite and Historical Association** banquet this year features Patricia Goering Smith, a graduate of Moundridge High School, who will talk about her book, *Revolution Revisited: Behind the Scenes in East Germany, 1989.* It tells the inspiring story of East Germany's non-violent revolution in 1989. The banquet will be held at the Pine Village Wellness Center in Moundridge on Thursday, Nov. 7 starting at 6:00 p.m. The cost of the meal is \$20 per plate payable at the door. RSVP by texting or calling Nancy Stucky, 620-532-5693, by November 2.

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Receipts – last week	\$ 1,417.00	\$ 3,873.00
Receipts – year to date	\$109,414.96	\$119,928.47
Budget	\$162,552.00	\$158,987.00
Less: expended to date	(122,324.36)	(125,736.80)
Less: cash balance	(5,256.24)	(15,839.42)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 34,971.40	\$ 17,410.78
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 3,179	\$ 1,583

West Zion Joys and Concerns

Congratulations to Mike and Connie Kaufman at the birth of their grandson Landon Michael Regehr (parents Tiffany and Justin) on 10/15/19! Landon weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 19 inches long. Everyone is doing well.

Give thanks for Jan Dyck's positive test results.

Debbie Schrag, school secretary at Goessel schools, recovering from triple bypass surgery

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for participants and leaders from WDC and beyond, attending a transitional ministers' training this week hosted by Camp Mennoscah and sponsored by Amigo Centre (associated with Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference).

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

MMN is grateful to Eric and Kelly Frey Martin who have worked as Colombia Mennonite Church youth leaders for nearly 3 years. Pray for a smooth transition back to the United States for Eric and Kelly, and confidence for the youth leaders as they take on more responsibilities.

Mission Mosaic

Jennifer Rey Villagra & Jonathan Brenneman with MVS in Indiana; Kendra Selzer with MVS in Puerto Rico, pg 54



We wish a "Happy Birthday" to: October 21: Ronald Schmidt

We wish a "**Happy Anniversary**" to: October 25: Lyle & Joyce Koehn

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