

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in his commandments. (Psalm 112:1)*

Prelude Carla Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Choral Call to Worship Elbiata Singers

Call to Worship, Psalm 112:1-9
God's people are happy / **when they follow God's commands.**

Greeting in Christ's peace

****Celebrating in song**
Blessed Jesus, at your word HWB 13
Let the whole creation cry HWB 51

Scripture Micah 6:6-16 Carolyn Schmidt

Special Music Elbiata Singers

Message "How Do We Get There from Here?" Pastor Brad

Song of Response *What does the Lord require* HWB 409

Offering Elbiata Singers

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *Rain down* STJ 49

Choral Benediction Elbiata Singers

****Spoken Benediction**
****Postlude**

****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Clark and Connie Graber
Ushers: Mel Becker, Richard Golden, Vicky Kessler

Give a warm welcome to the Elbiata Singers from Goessel High School (including our own Kaleigh Guhr!) The Elbiata Singers are directed by Braden Unruh and accompanied by Marcia Brubaker.

Sermon Notes

How Do We Get There from Here?
Micah 6:6-16

Theme
You know what to do.

Key Verse
(Micah 6:8b) What does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Notes

A Prayer
Lord who calls us according to your purposes, animate our lives with your Spirit that we might walk in your love and mercy.

Sunday, February 16, 2020

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM: Worship Service**
Message: Pastor Kurt Horst **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Worship Leader: Sharon Gehring **Scripture:** Ellen Kaufman
Greeter(s): Leon & Virginia Guhr
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel, Carl Duffman

Coming Events

Feb. 12: Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360
MYM and Taco meal 6:00 PM (with FEWZ youth)
Council 7:00 PM

Feb. 19: No Men's Bible Study
MYM and Chicken casserole meal 6:00 PM (with
FEWZ youth)

Feb. 26: Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360
MYM and Tator tot casserole 6:00 PM (*meal change*)
Ash Wednesday 7-7:30 PM

March 4: Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360
Last MYM and pancakes/sausage meal (*meal change*)

March 11: Last Men's Bible Study

April 9: Maundy Thursday service

April 12: Easter Sunday

April 17-18: MCC Sale

Our Mission: God calls us into community to worship God and follow Jesus through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

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West Zion Announcements

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

1. **Pastor Brad and family** will be out on vacation in Mexico February 14-23. Pastor Kurt Horst will preach both Sundays. Contact deacons (Sharon Gehring, Carl Duffman, Carla Stucky) with any pastoral needs during that time.

2. The **FEWZ youth group** will be serving a meal at the Hutchinson Christian Soup Ministry on February 22, and they need our help! A sign-up sheet listing food items is on the table in the foyer.

3. The **MCC Sale** is just around the corner, April 17 & 18! We're collecting coins for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) through the Coins Count offering. MCC works in 57 countries to do relief, development, and peace-building. Our kids will collect coins during the offering to deposit in a special tub (**today only: the tub is at the back of the church**), so check under your sofa cushions and bring out the jar of spare change. Our coins help make MCC's vital work possible! Go to <https://kansas.mccsale.org/> to learn more about the sale.

4. A **Paint Party Fundraiser** will be held for Braxton Church (grandson of Rosanne Hayes) on Saturday, Feb. 29 at Asbury Park in Newton. All proceeds raised will go towards the cost of medical travel expenses to and from Boston for care at Boston Children's Hospital. More information on the paint party is on the board; go to fb.me/BraxtonMChurch for details on Braxton and his medical condition.

5. Join Hesston College and Everence for AVDS 2020 Feb. 21-23 for **Living More with More: Redefining the Good Life** to learn how to put financial anxiety aside so you can redefine the good life and the church in a way that everyone thrives. Keynote presenters are Leonard Dow and Colin Saxton, both of Everence Financial, and Michele Hershberger, Bible professor at Hesston College. This event costs \$80 per adult and \$30 per student/youth. Discounts are available for groups and members of sponsoring congregations. For details and to register online, go to www.hesston.edu/events/avds/.

6. **For all puzzle enthusiasts!** Enjoy putting together a puzzle on a table in the foyer. The congregational puzzle put together by all of us is now on display in the foyer.

7. **Christian Homemakers** are continuing with the project of saving all greeting cards to be sent to St. Jude's Ranch for Children. Bring complete card and put into the box on the church foyer shelf.

General Announcements

8. The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for 2/21/2020 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 "Moundridge" for the sponsor code. Thanks for your support and if you have any questions, call Denise Stucky at 620-386-0112 or email hdstucky@mtelco.net.

9. **SMCHA's annual meeting** will be held in Fellowship Hall of Bethel College Mennonite Church in North Newton on Sunday afternoon, March 8 at 2:30 pm. The program will feature a report from Dr. James Juhnke of his recent trip to Uzbekistan, special music, history of the church, and refreshments including poppyseed roll, among other things. More information will be available in the February issue of Schweitzer Salt.

10. The **Bethel College Concert Choir and the Hesston College Bel Canto Singers** will unite for a joint concert, "How Firm a Foundation," on Sunday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church near Goessel. The choirs will perform individual selections from their respective repertoires, and will join together for other pieces, as well as being joined by members of the Alexanderwohl Mennonite Chancel Choir. Admission to the concert is free. An offering will be taken to benefit Mennonite Central Committee.

11. **Thank you to the hundreds of volunteers** who came together in January for MCC's Great Winter Warm-up! The totals are in and we collected more than 9,500 comforters; that's 3,000 more than our goal! From start to finish, each comforter is created with love and MCC always hears from comforter recipients that they can feel the love from the hands that created their new comforter. Everyone is welcome to join in making more comforters at the MCC Comforter Blitz in Yoder, Kansas, March 2-4 check out mcc.org/comforter-blitz for more information.

12. The **Mennonite Central Committee Central States** board of directors will meet on February 28 and 29 at MCC in North Newton. A

brief annual meeting will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 29, you are welcome to attend.

13. Join an **MCC learning tour** to Palestine and Israel, June 4-14, 2020. This deeply impactful and informative trip is open for 14 people to sign up for. On this trip you will meet Palestinian Christians, hear from Israelis and Palestinians about their current challenges and joys and you will deepen your faith and be empowered to engage in education and advocacy. Visit mcc.org/events for more information.

14. **Everence® Financial** will host a workshop, *Maximizing giving through donor advised funds*, in North Newton on Thursday, Feb. 20. The event will be at 10 a.m. and again at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about donor advised fund, ways to increase your impact on causes you care about, and more. To register, contact Darlene Buller at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or Darlene.buller@everence.com.

15. **You are invited to join MC USA staff** for “Coffee and Conversation” with returning Mennonite Mission Network (MMN) workers Dan & Kathryn Smith Derksen. They are returning from serving in South Africa for the last 4 years with Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency (SADRA). Come to the MC USA offices at 718 N Main St in Newton on Monday, February 10 at 10:00 AM to hear from Dan and Kathryn about their time of service.

16. **MCC centennial celebration, Feb. 29 at 7:30 p.m.** You're invited to join MCC for an evening of centennial celebration and giving, *We've Come This Far by Faith* at the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts at Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kansas. Bid on silent auction items, grab a reproduction Mennonite Feeding Station sign from our limited supply and join us for a program celebrating MCC's past 100 years, present and future! Find out more at mcc.org/events.

17. Looking for that perfect gift for our loved one on Valentine's Day? This year on Friday, February 14, let **New Hope Shelter** provide you the perfect gift in a romantic venue with the gentle sounds of a string quartet. There will be scrumptious Italian cuisine provided by KP Cuisine, Italian sodas and fine coffees, and even chocolate to make the evening even sweeter. All proceeds go to New Hope Shelter to provide a place for the homeless in McPherson, Harvey and Marion counties. More information is on the board.

West Zion Joys and Concerns

Congrats to Carl and Tracy Duffman at the birth of their new grandson, Maverick James Duffman on February 5, 8lbs 8 oz, 21 ½ inches long in Kansas City! Mother and child are doing great.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC congregations struggling with conflict or painful situations, that God's Spirit of wisdom, healing and hope would guide and sustain them.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Bethany Masters, Michael Oyer, and Salome Preisendanz make up the Service Adventure unit in Anchorage, Alaska. Pray for them as they work with children and youth, people who don't have homes, and older people.

Mission Mosaic

Diana Cruz and Felipa Preciado at La Casa Grade Fifatan in Benin, pg 1



We wish a “**Happy Birthday**” to:
February 10: Dale Jantzen
February 14: Jennifer Kaufman

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

We're calling 2020 the Year of Celebration! *It's a time to reflect on God's blessing and mercy in our individual lives and life together as the church – and celebrate!*