

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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### *LENT 4*

*Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we will not be meeting for worship. Instead, worship services will be online on our West Zion Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/westzion/>).*

Welcome

Call to Worship, Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd, and I am not afraid.**

Prayer

Scripture, Galatians 6:11-18

Meditation, "The Cross Transforms"

Extinguish cross candle

Offering *(Please remember to continue supporting the church during this time.)*

Prayers of the People *(Joys and concerns can be shared in the "comment" bar on the Facebook live stream)*

Blessing and Sending

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### Theme

The cross transforms how we see the world.

### Key Verse

Galatians 6:14 May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

### Notes

#### A Question

How are you feeling these days? Where can you let Christ's cross reshape your outlook?

### **Lent 5 Sunday, March 29, 2020**

**Worship service online on West Zion Facebook page**

**9:30 AM:** Online Sunday School (see announcements)

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service (online)

**Message:** Pastor Brad Roth

### **Coming Events**

April 9: Maundy Thursday service (at West Zion) 6 PM (tentative)

April 12: Easter Sunrise Svc 6:45-7:15 AM @ Nadine Wedel  
13904 W Dutch Ave, Moundridge  
Breakfast at West Zion 7:30 AM  
Easter Sunday (tentative)

May 13: Women's Salad Supper at West Zion (tentative)

**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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### **West Zion Joys and Concerns**

Give thanks for Jennifer Suarez (Kaufman) landing a teaching job in Moundridge!

### **Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Pray, prepare and plan, protect the vulnerable, and nurture peace - not panic.

### **Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for young people, ages 15-22, whom God is calling to participate in this summer's Youth Venture programs in Benin, Colombia, Nazareth Village in Israel-Palestine, Peru, Spain, and the United States (Kykotsmovi, Arizona).

### **Mission Mosaic**

Neal and Janie Blough in St. Maurice, France, pg 25



We wish a “**Happy Birthday**” to:  
March 24: Jessie Pohl

## West Zion Announcements

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

1. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, **West Zion will not be meeting for worship** for at least the next three weeks (March 22-April 5). Council will reevaluate at that time following guidance from the CDC. Adult Sunday School and worship are being moved online (see announcement below). Secretary will work limited office hours. All leadership teams and committees will continue to meet by phone and online as we live our mission as the church. **Bulletins will still be available** each week and can be found on the West Zion website. Several bulletins will also be printed off and available in the church foyer.
2. The doors of West Zion may be shut, **but we're not shut down!** We continue to be the church together, even more so during this time of pandemic. Please remember to **continue supporting the church** with your tithes and offerings. You can give online through the "donate" PayPal link on our church website. Or mail checks to: West Zion Mennonite Church, PO Box 758, Moundridge, KS 67107
3. **Feeling isolated?** Have a prayer concern you don't feel comfortable sharing online? Call the church office or pastor's cell phone. Let's support one another so that with God's strength, we can make it through this pandemic together.
4. Join us online or by phone for **adult Sunday School!** Pastor Brad is leading a study on the meaning of the cross at 9:30 on Sunday mornings. Connect via Google Hangouts by clicking this link: <https://meet.google.com/wif-iwce-xnw> or join by phone, dial +1 657-529-0830 and enter this PIN: 634 591 635#
5. **Are you unable to get out for necessities or concerned to go?** Contact the church office. Volunteers in the church are willing to run to the grocery store or other errands to help get you what you need.
6. Let's make sure no one slips through the cracks during this unprecedented time. **Take the initiative to call and check in** on friends and neighbors, especially the elderly living alone.

7. **CDT is getting Sunday School materials** out to families with children so that families can continue to learn about the Bible, God, and the Christian walk from home.

8. **MennoMedia** is offering their Rejoice devotional as a free resource for praying at home during this time. You can find it online at this [link](#).

9. **MCC Sale cancelled:** On March 15, the CDC implemented a new guideline limiting the size of public gatherings to no more than 50 people. This guideline will be in place for 8 weeks. This information was verified with the Reno County Health Department. The dates of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale, April 17 and 18, fall within that 8 week period. Therefore, we are cancelling the 2020 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale because of the dangers posed by the contagious nature of the coronavirus. This cancellation is beyond our control. We thank you, as supporting churches, sale committees, and donors for the generosity and hard work that you have put into this sale. It is hard after 50 years of sales to not come together as a community to support MCC. The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Board will be meeting in the coming weeks to discuss how we will support the work of the Mennonite Central Committee. We ask for your prayers for guidance as we discuss and plan the next steps for the continued investment and support of the Mennonite Central Committee. It is with sadness we acknowledge the emptiness that many of us feel as we have come to this decision. Please consider continuing to invest and support MCC through the 1000 for \$1000 fundraising program, through your prayers and by your continued kindness to all.

10. **Yearbooks are done** and in your church mailboxes. You are welcome to put your old yearbooks in the box on the floor by the mailboxes; we can reuse the spiral binders and recycle the pages.

11. We have local church family members in both **Pine Village and Schowalter Villa**, both which are no longer taking visitors at this time. You may send a letter to a resident at Pine Village through email at [www.pinevillageks.org](http://www.pinevillageks.org) or at Schowalter Villa at [www.schowalter-villa.org](http://www.schowalter-villa.org).

12. **Braxton Church**, Rosanne Hayes's grandson, has a medical condition that requires his family to travel for treatment. Several weeks ago, they held a fundraiser to help cover travel expenses. If you were unable to attend but still wanted to make a donation, an

account has been established at The Citizens State Bank under “Church Family Medical Travel Fund - Braxton, Kelcey, and/or Amanda Church.” If you would like more information about Braxton, go to his Facebook page Braxton’s Warrior Club.

### **General Announcements**

13. All Bethel College and Hesston College events are cancelled as both colleges are closed.
14. STEPNC event at the McPherson Opera House on Friday, April 24 is postponed.
15. As a preventative measure, the **WDC Resource Library** will be **closed to the public March 16-31**. ***You WILL still be able to check out materials*** by emailing Library Director, Jennie Wintermote at [crilib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crilib@mennowdc.org) or calling 316/283-6300. You can also visit the online catalog at [mennowdc.org/library](http://mennowdc.org/library) and log on to request materials. These materials will be available for pickup 24 hours after a request is made, on the teal cart directly inside the WDC office front door. We will also continue to serve individuals and congregations via US mail. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.
16. The **Annual Benefit BBQ Supper**, which was set to take place on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> has officially been postponed in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic. At this time there is no timetable for rescheduling the event, but our intention is to reschedule this Fall; updates will be announced as they become available. This will include the BBQ Supper and all pre-orders for pork and baby back ribs.
17. A new Victory in the Valley **Cancer Support Group** is being started in McPherson County. The first meeting has been postponed.
18. The Women’s Salad Supper at **First Mennonite Church**, McPherson on March 26 has been cancelled.