West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM: Morning Worship Vol. LV October 18, 2020 No. 42

Words for silent meditation: Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. (Psalm 96:2)

Prelude Carla Stucky Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Pastor Brad Roth
The Lord be with you / and also with you.

Announcements (Pastor Brad will make announcements from the pulpit. If you have an announcement, please get it to him before the service.)

Call to Worship, Psalm 96 (HWB 820)

**Celebrating in song (We encourage you to wear a mask while singing to avoid potential virus broadcast.)

I sing the mighty power of God HWB 46
I'll praise my Maker HWB 166

Scripture Romans 8:31-39 Connie Kaufman

Message "Separation Anxiety" Pastor Brad

Offering (As we continue to deal with the threat of COVID-19, offering will be received in the basket on the back table to avoid passing the offering plates.)

Song for Meditation "Holy Spirit"

There's nothing worth more, that will ever come close, no thing can compare, you're our living hope. Your presence, Lord. I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves, where my heart becomes free, and my shame is undone. Your presence, Lord. Holy Spirit, you are welcome here, come flood this place and fill the atmosphere. Your glory, God, is what our heart longs for to be overcome by your presence, Lord.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (*Please communicate joys and concerns to Pastor Brad ahead of time. Text them to: 620-386-4838 or if you're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar).*

Prayers of the People

**Sending Song

The love of God

STJ 44

**please stand if able

Greeter(s): Will & Ellen Kaufman Ushers: Richard Golden, Vicky Kessler

Sermon Notes

Separation Anxiety Romans 8:31-39

Theme

Nothing can separate us from God's love.

Key Verse

(Romans 8:38-39) For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Notes

A Question

What in your life threatens to separate you from God's love? How do you come back to the truth of God's love?

Services are livestreamed on the West Zion Facebook page Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org Streaming license # 20084674

^{**}Benediction

^{**}Postlude (Please exit back-to-front and practice social distancing. We encourage you to go outside and spread out if you would like to connect and chat.)

Sunday, October 25, 2020

9:30 AM: Sunday School

Message: Pastor Brad

Morship Leader: Pastor Brad

10:30 AM: Worship Service

Accompanist: Donna Stucky

Scripture: Bonnie Kaufman

Greeter(s): Jan Dyck

Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Coming Events

Today: Adult SS topic: Feeling Lonely

Oct. 21: Online study on "How to Pray" 8-9 AM

K-4 MYM 6-7 pm, no meal, Church Council 7 PM

Oct. 23: Bloodmobile at West Zion

Oct. 25: Adult SS topic: Dealing with loss

Oct. 28: Online study on "How to Pray" 8-9 AM

K-4 MYM 6-7 pm, no meal

Nov. 1: Adult SS topic: Experiencing healing Nov. 12: Christian Homemakers gathering

Nov. 15: Mission Sunday followed by Budget meeting

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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Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm

Church: 620-345-8143 Carla's cell: 620-386-0414

Church's email: secretary@westzionmc.org Website: www.westzionmc.org

West Zion Announcements

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

- 1. Our "Return to Worship" plan to keep everyone safe as we gather can be found on the West Zion website. Church Council will carefully monitor updates from federal, state, and county officials and make changes as necessary. Please text Pastor Brad at 620-386-4838 if you have a joy, concern, or announcement you would like shared during worship.
- 2. **Join us for a bonfire** on Oct 24, 6:00-9:00 PM @ Will and Ellen Kaufman's house (2635 Cheyenne Rd.). We'll praise God with camp songs beneath the fall sky and share hotdogs, beans, and cookies! Because of COVID, CDT will provide all food. You do not need to bring a side dish to the picnic this year.
- 3. **MCC** meat canning will be held on Monday Nov.9. Our church is responsible for \$1,000 of the expenses. Please consider donating to the project by making checks out to West Zion with "MCC Meat Canning" in the memo. Checks can be placed in the offering basket. Things will be done differently this year. Social distancing measures will be implemented. Please see Mike Kaufman for the details. A sign-up sheet has been placed in the foyer. Let's help MCC make a difference. Yes we "can!"
- 4. **A Celebration of Life service** will be held for Frank Nachtigal (Geneva Wedel's brother) on Oct. 25 at 1:00 PM at Mem Hall, Bethel College. Masks are encouraged.
- 5. November 15 we will hold a **semi-virtual Mission Sunday** with First Mennonite and Eden. Joe Manickam, president of Hesston College, will be our speaker. Dr. Manickam will be livestreamed to our three churches, and we will incorporate virtual elements from each of the churches. Dr. Manickam will also share virtually during the SS hour.
- 6. November 15, immediately following worship, we will hold our **annual budget meeting**. Because of COVID-19, we will not have a meal this year. If you prefer to attend virtually, follow this Google Hangouts link: https://meet.google.com/zob-jxdj-qkt.

- 7. **Christian Homemakers** are accepting all used greeting cards to be sent to St. Jude's Children Ranch. Please put the entire card into the box on the shelf in the lobby.
- 8. Our **fall adult Sunday School class** is entitled "Letters to a Weary Church." Pastor Brad will discuss passages from the New Testament letters that deal with different emotions felt right now. Join us online at: https://meet.google.com/jkq-gdbw-hyk. A list of upcoming topics can be found on the bulletin board. **Our topic for next Sunday, Oct. 25 is "Dealing with loss" 2 Cor 7:5-13a.**

General Announcements

- 9. The **Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale** is conducting an Online Quilt Auction. The Quilt Auction began October 12 and will run through Monday, October. 26. There are 25 quilts that have been selected by the Quilt Committee. The Quilt Auction is on the Auctria website at https://charityauction.bid/KMRSQuilts The link is now live and there are pictures of the quilts with a description of each quilt, including title and dimensions, as well as the individual that donated the quilt if known. These are lovely quilts that are a representative of the more than 200 quilts that were donated in April. Check out the pictures now and start bidding!
- 10. The **Pine Village Benefit Day Auction** will be 100% online and ends October 22 at 7pm. In addition to the online auction, Pine Village is also selling raffle tickets for a Patrick Mahomes autographed Super Bowl football. Raffle tickets are available at www.pinevillageks.org. Auction items include business and church sponsored baskets, local art pieces, sports memorabilia, and much more. Photos of items are posted online at www.pinevillageks.org, or the Pine Village Facebook page. Check these sites periodically as they will be updated as new items come in. Contact Julie Brochtrup at 620-345-2901 or julie.brochtrup@pinevillageks.org for questions. All proceeds will benefit the 2020 Benefit Day Project the updating of the Gathering Place and the original Assisted Living!
- 11. **MCC's Seed program** has positions available now in Colombia, Guatemala and El Salvador! The Seed program is perfect for young adults (18-30) who value service, community, and cultural exchange addressing systemic issues like food insecurity and climate change through grassroots, community-based initiatives. For more information, visit mcc.org/seed or email abbyendashaw@mcc.org.

- 12. **Everence** will host a Social Security and retirement income planning webinar on Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 6:30 PM. Attendees will learn about Social Security strategies, risks that can impact retirement savings and strategies to help income last throughout retirement. This online workshop is free. Register soon by contacting our office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.
- 13. The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for Friday October 23, 2020 from 12:00 noon until 6:00 PM at the West Zion Mennonite Church at 101 Washington Ave. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit www.redcrossblood.org and "Moundridge" for the sponsor code.
- 14. Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church (43 13th Ave, Inman KS) annual **Mission Supper** is just around the corner! We will be offering a carry out meal featuring homemade sausage, mashed potatoes, gravy, creamed peas, zwiebach, applesauce and pie. Save the date for Saturday evening, October 24. Orders will be accepted through Oct. 18; call/text Barb Reeves (620-543-6863) or Teresa Schrag (620-242-2357) to let us know how many meals you would like. Meal pick-up will be at the church from 5-6:30pm on October 24. A free-will offering will all go to support the Buhler Omega Project, a Christian addiction recovery program. Checks can be made out to "Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church" and cash donations will also be accepted that evening. We look forward to serving you!!

West Zion Celebrations and Concerns

Congratulations to Maleya, granddaughter of Carl and Tracy, who graduated high school from Smokey Valley Virtual School on Oct. 6!

We celebrate the beautiful colors of fall and God's faithfulness in all seasons.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for youth and children's leaders in WDC congregations, as they give support and nurture faith formation for young people in the midst of our changing and uncertain world.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Mennonite communities in Guatemala are suffering from COVID-19, many people have died. Deb Byler of MMN requests prayer for all, but especially for the pastors who pray with sick people. Pray for wisdom and God's protection so pastors can care for others without exposing themselves to the disease.

Mosaic Directory in pews

DOOR participants in Denver, Chicago, Atlanta, pg 50



We wish a "Happy Birthday" to:

October 18: Joanne Stucky October 21: Ronald Schmidt

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – last week	\$ 5,197.00	\$ 1,417.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 105,034.78	\$ 109,414.96
Budget	\$163,471.00	\$162,552.00
Less: expended to date	(122,833.49)	(122,432.94)
Less: cash balance	(6,686.22)	(498.67)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 33,951.29	\$ 39,620.39
Avg. offering per Sunday needed		
to meet budget	\$ 3,086	\$ 3,602
MCC Meat Canning	\$ 450	