

Sunday, October 11, 2020

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Leon Guhr
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Coming Events

Today: Adult SS topic: Discerning risks
 World Communion Sunday
 Names for Deacon nomination given after church
 Special Business Meeting after church
Oct. 7: Online study on "How to Pray" 8-9 AM
Oct. 11: Adult SS topic: Practicing patience
Oct. 14: K-4 MYM begins 6-7 pm, NO MEAL SERVED
Oct. 21: K-4 MYM 6-7 pm, no meal, Church Council 7 PM
Oct. 23: Bloodmobile at West Zion
Oct. 28: K-4 MYM 6-7 pm, no meal
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.

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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. **Today is World Communion Sunday.** For the last number of years, we have taken this day to remember the persecuted church worldwide. Today we are focusing on Libya. According to Open Doors USA, an organization that monitors persecution of Christians worldwide, the north African nation of Libya ranks #4 on its ranking of nations where it is hardest to follow Jesus. Christians seeking to migrate to Europe and local believers cross paths in Libya, and both groups face distinct pressures, either from Islamic militants like ISIS or crowded refugee camps and human trafficking rings. Join us today in praying for the persecuted church in Libya! For more information, see: <https://www.opendoorsusa.org/christian-persecution/world-watch-list/libya/>
3. There will be a **short business meeting** immediately following church this morning to seek approval for a Trustee project that replaces broken concrete in the drive on our east parking lot entrance.
4. **Deacon nominations** will be held immediately following the worship service this morning. Carl Duffman will be ending his 3rd year and is requesting that he NOT be considered for another term due to health concerns. The other two Deacons are Carla Stucky and Sharon Gehring.
5. **Thank you**, everyone, for the cards, calls, meals and Pastor Brad for the visit. – Glenda Golden
6. **Connie Kaufman has volunteered** to help line up meals for STEPNC (an anti-poverty program) in Moundridge, which will kick off October 12. She is looking for people to sign up for one meal to serve 15-20 people. Find a friend and make the meal together to help the STEPNC program get off to a good start. Please see Connie for more information and details about how to get signed up.

7. 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.
8. 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>.
9. **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.
10. 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 that a lot of us are going through right now. Join us online at: <https://meet.google.com/jkg-qdbw-hyk>. A list of upcoming topics can be found on the bulletin board. **Our topic for next Sunday, Oct. 11 is “Practicing patience” Col. 1:9-14.**

General Announcements

11. The **Pine Village Benefit Day Auction** will be 100% online and will begin Thursday, October 15 at 8am and end Thursday, October 22 at 7pm. In addition to the online auction, Pine Village is also selling raffle tickets for a Patrick Mahomes autographed Super Bowl LIV football. Raffle tickets are available at www.pinevillageks.org. Auction items include business and church sponsored baskets, local art pieces, sports memorabilia, autographed K-State football, KU national Championship Commemorative Poster, one-day rental space at Cloud Nine, gift cards to local businesses and more. Photos of items are posted online at www.pinevillageks.org, or the Pine Village Facebook page. For a current listing of items, 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!
12. Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church’s **annual Mission Supper** will be a carry out meal this year due to Covid 19. The meal will feature our

traditional menu of German sausage, mashed potatoes, gravy, creamed peas, zwiabach, applesauce and pie on Saturday, October 24, 5:00 - 6:30. To order meals call or text Barb (620-543-6863) or Teresa (620-242-2357) by October 18. This will be a free will offering benefit with all proceeds going to support the Buhler Omega Project, an addiction recovery house for women. The Buhler House opened its doors in February 2020.

13. The **Bethel College Chamber Orchestra** will present a short outdoor concert (weather permitting) on Tuesday, Oct 13 at 5pm on the Green. Face coverings must be worn on the Bethel campus.

14. A **Quilter's Corner Fall Sale** will take place at the MCC Materials Resource Center in North Newton. Items that would have been sold at the Relief Sale will be available for purchase. Times will be Friday October 2 from 9 am – 5 pm, and October 3 from 9 am – 3 pm. Come support the relief work of MCC! Health protocols for Harvey County will be observed. Questions?? Contact Rose Wiebe Haury at 316-288-0079 or haury@juno.com.

Sermon Notes

Don't Be Safe
2 Timothy 4:1-8

Theme
Take risks for the gospel.

Key Verse
(2 Timothy 4:2) Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage-- with great patience and careful instruction.

Notes

A Question
Are you someone who likes to play it safe or take risks? How does that shape how you approach your faith in Jesus?

West Zion Celebrations and Concerns

Dorothy Toews is now at Moundridge Mercy Hospital

Harvey and Lois Thiessen. Lois has not been eating and drinking adequately.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC congregations as they continue to navigate difficult decisions and new patterns of church life during the pandemic.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher of Mennonite Mission Network completed their sabbatical leave in the United States last month. Pray for them as they pick up their ministries, many have been put on hold due to South Korea's COVID-19 restrictions.

Mosaic Directory in pews

DeeDee and Mark Landes in La Mesa, Colombia, pg 35



We wish a “**Happy Birthday**” to:

October 4: Hoyatte Harris

October 6: J.B. Huxman

October 9: Rondell Burge

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Receipts – last week	\$ 530.00	\$ 870.00
Receipts – year to date	\$ 95,649.20	\$ 105,520.71
Budget	\$163,471.00	\$162,552.00
Less: expended to date	(116,684.36)	(118,270.33)
Less: cash balance	(<u>3,448.29</u>)	(<u>739.03</u>)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 43,338.35	\$ 43,542.64
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 3,334	\$ 3,349