

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. (Psalm 63:3).*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements (*Announcements will be made from the pulpit. If you have an announcement, please get it to Sharon Gehring before the service.*)

Call to Worship, Psalm 63
My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

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

God is here among us HWB 16
My Shepherd will supply my need HWB 589

Scripture Psalm 22:1-2,11; Psalm 40:1-3 Carla Stucky

Message "My Journey With Parkinson's Disease" Dennis Schmidt

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (*During this time, we will not be passing the mic. Please communicate joys and concerns to Sharon Gehring ahead of time. You can text them to: 620-386-0379 or if you're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar.*)

Prayers of the People

****Sending Song** *This is a day of new beginnings* HWB 640

****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.*)

****please stand if able**

Greeter(s): Jim & Joanne Stucky
Ushers: Clark Graber, Dave Wedel

Please give a warm welcome to Dennis Schmidt as he brings the message today! Dennis is a graduate of Bethel College and Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. He was a pastor in Kansas, Ohio, and Indiana and is now retired. He is married to Dianne Schmidt, pastor at Eden Mennonite Church. He was a former Mennonite mission worker in Congo. Dennis and Dianne have three young adult children and two grandchildren.

Sermon Notes

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

Mission Sunday, November 15, 2020

9:30 AM: Sunday School with Joe Mackinam (who will be virtual)

10:30 AM: Worship Service with First and Eden joining online,
speaker Joe Mackinam

Worship Leader: Pastor Brad

Accompanist: Carla Stucky

Greeter(s): Clark & Connie Graber

Ushers: Richard Golden, Clark Graber

Deacon vote & Budget meeting, special offering for the Larsons

Coming Events

Today: Adult SS topic: Knowing God's love

Nov. 11: MYM cancelled for the rest of fall session

Nov. 12: Christian Homemakers 4 PM at West Zion

Nov. 15: Adult SS topic: Experiencing God's grace,
Mission Sunday followed by Budget meeting,
Deacon vote

Nov. 18: Church Council 7 PM

Nov 29: First Sunday of Advent

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 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 Sharon Gehring at 620-386-0379 if you have a joy, concern, or announcement you would like shared during worship.**

2. **Pastor Brad** is out today for a quarterly Sunday off.

3. **Thank you for** all the prayers and cards that I received after Lois’s passing. It’s been very much appreciated. May the Lord bless all of you! - Harvey Thiessen

4. Next Sunday, November 15, join us for the following events:

- We will hold a **semi-virtual Mission Sunday** with First Mennonite and Eden. Joe Manickam, president of Hesston College, will be our speaker and will be livestreamed to our three churches. We will incorporate virtual elements from each of the churches. Dr. Manickam will also share virtually during the 9:30 SS hour.
- A **special offering** will be taken for the Larsons, our Middle East missionary partners
- Immediately following worship, we will **vote for a new Deacon** and hold our annual **Budget meeting** (no meal this year). If you prefer to attend virtually, follow this Google Hangouts link: <https://meet.google.com/zob-ixdj-qkt>.

5. Due to local Covid outbreak, **K-4 MYM has been canceled** for the rest of the fall season.

6. **Poinsettias will be ordered again** to use as decoration for Christmas and as memorials. If you would like to order a poinsettia as a memorial for a loved one, please fill out the order forms in the foyer and put in Carla Stucky’s mailbox or call/text Carla at 620-386-0414. The 6 ½ inch red poinsettias will be ordered from Stone Creek Nursery and the price is \$12.50 each. A list of memorials will be printed in the Nov. 29 bulletin, the first Sunday of Advent. The deadline for ordering is today.

7. Need a new **West Zion bumper magnet**? Pick one up in the foyer!

8. **Yearbook change:** Taylor Stucky’s new address is 3125 Lundin Dr, Apt 12, Manhattan, KS 66503.

9. **MCC meat canning** will be held on Monday Nov.9. You can donate by making checks out to West Zion with “MCC Meat Canning” in the memo and placing in the offering basket. Social distancing measures will be implemented if you sign up to help; the sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Please see Mike Kaufman for the details. Let’s help MCC make a difference. Yes we “can!”

10. **Christian Homemakers** will be meeting on Nov. 12 at 4:00 PM at West Zion to tie quilts. Jan Dyck will lead in devotions and there will be pizza for refreshments. All women are invited!

11. **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.

General Announcements

12. **Everence** will host its popular workshop, *Make Medicare an easy step*, as a webinar on Monday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. This webinar is free. Please register by contacting our office at 877-467-7294, 316-283-3800 or central.kansas@everence.com. **Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare.*

13. **Giving Tuesday is December 1** – Western District Conference invites you to join this global giving initiative! Share a gift with WDC during this season, to help our congregations Witness & invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, Dwell in just & loving relationships, and Connect to God’s mission in the world. You may make an online contribution **HERE** or send a check to Western District Conference, PO Box 306, North Newton KS 67117. Thank you for your generosity!

14. **Baked goods sign up:** A call-out for local bakers to support Bethel College. For years Bethel College Women’s Association (BCWA) has been a location for 5 Places of Christmas selling crafts

and baked goods. BCWA is asking for support in making baked items for the event which is December 5. Please follow the link below for sign-up options. Thanks for your continued support of Bethel College! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BABAF2EA4FDC>
F8-baked

15. **Bethel College** events can be found on the foyer bulletin board.

West Zion Celebrations and Concerns

Will, Ellen, and Connie dealing with Covid.

Chester Koehn has recovered from pneumonia and been moved to Kansas Christian Home in Newton.

Dorothy Toews has returned to her home

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC pastor peer groups as they meet virtually or in person to offer support and encouragement to one another in their ministry.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Janie and Neal Blough have retired in France after 45 years of ministry through MMN. Pray for them as they continue to serve by teaching and providing resources to congregations throughout Europe.

Mosaic Directory in pews

MVS participants in Elkhart, Indiana, pg 52



We wish a “**Happy Birthday**” to:

November 8: Norman Funk

November 9: Ruby Koehn

November 14: Bo Bachman

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – last week	\$ 2,354.00	\$ 11,127.56
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 109,240.78	\$ 124,844.52
Budget	\$163,471.00	\$162,552.00
Less: expended to date	(128,870.40)	(131,401.41)
Less: cash balance	(9,816.11)	(11,609.36)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 24,784.49	\$ 19,541.23
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 3,098	\$ 2,443
MCC Meat Canning	\$ 900	