# West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday Scl	hool 10:30 AM:	Morning Worship
Vol. LV1	January 10, 2021	No. 2
Words for silent meditation: The LORD sits enthroned as king forever.		
(Psalm 29:10)		

"Shall we gather at the river" Donna Stucky Prelude Free arrangement by Donna Stucky on organ

Lighting of the Christ candle

Pastor Brad Roth Welcome 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 29 To God be the glory!

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

God is here among us	HWB 16
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	HWB 37

Scripture, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

"With You I Am Well Pleased" Pastor Brad Message

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 "Wade in the Water" free arrangement on piano

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (During this time, we will not be passing the mic. Please communicate joys and concerns to Pastor Brad ahead of time. You can text them to: 620-386-4838 or if vou're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar).

Prayers of the People

\*\*Sending Song

\*\*Benediction

\*\*Postlude

"I heard the voice of Jesus say" (HWB #493) arr. by David Paxton

(verses 1,2,5)

(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.)

Greeter(s): Mike & Connie Kaufman

# Sermon Notes

With You I Am Well Pleased Luke 3:15-17. 21-22

Theme

Remember your baptism.

## Key Verse

(Luke 3:22) The Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

#### Notes

#### A Question

The Father spoke over Jesus when he came up from the waters of the Jordan. What is God speaking over you right now?

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

#### Communion Sunday, January 17, 2020

9:30 AM: Sunday School10:30 AM: Worship ServiceMessage: Pastor BradAccompanist: Carla StuckyWorship Leader: Pastor BradGreeter(s): Mike & Connie Kaufman

## Annual meeting immediately following worship

If you prefer to meet online for Sunday School, the link can be found on the West Zion website.

# **Coming Events**

Jan. 14: Christian Homemakers at WZ 4 PM, comforter tying Jan. 17: Annual meeting and communion

**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 Pastor's Cell: 620-386-4838 Pastor Brad's email: bradroth@westzionmc.org

> Secretary Carla Stucky's hours: Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm

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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. Please text Pastor Brad at 620-386-4838 if you have a joy, concern, or announcement you would like shared during worship. You can also join us on our Facebook Live page each Sunday morning for worship at 10:30 AM.

2. **January 17**, immediately following in-person worship, we will hold our **Annual Business meeting**. Because of COVID-19, we will not have a meal this year. If you prefer to attend virtually, follow this Google Hangouts link: <u>https://meet.google.com/gom-wmve-hee</u>.

3. The **Gifts Discernment** committee is still looking for people to fill a few Team positions. If you are interested please contact Mike Kaufman, Lorene Lohrenz or Carolyn Schmidt.

4. **We're celebrating communion** next week, January 17! Let's take time to examine our hearts and mend relationships so that we can come with joy to meet our Lord.

5. We're launching 2021 as the Year of Prayer! There have been many challenges for our congregation in the last two years. As this new year opens, we seek to meet Jesus anew in our church, in the face of our community, and especially in our prayers. My longing for 2021 is that it can be a time of renewal and growth--and it's going to take all of us united in prayer to realize this vision. I'll be teaching on prayer throughout the year, and we'll take time to intentionally pray together. Like the wise men of old, let us go and diligently seek him so that our will and purposes align with Christ's.

6. **STEP-MC is** a program working to end poverty by building relationships. Connie Kaufman has volunteered to help line up meals for the Monday night meetings. She is looking for people to sign up for one meal to serve 15-20 people. Find a friend and make the meal together OR get a Sunday School class together and help the STEP-MC program get off to a good start. Sign up using the SignUpGenius at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da4a928a3fdc70 -stepmc. Please call or text Connie at 620-386-0816 OR conniejkaufman@gmail.com if you need more information.

7. **Christian Homemakers** will meet on January 14 at 4:00 pm to work on comforters. All are welcome!

8. **Updates are needed** for addresses and contact information in the yearbook. Please let Carla Stucky know if there are any changes on you or your family's contact information in the current yearbook. Address updates would need to be sent by January 17.

9. **Sunday School update:** Adult Sunday School is meeting in Fellowship Hall from 9:30-10:15 am. The quarterly called Salt and Light will be studied. If you prefer to join online instead, the link can be found on the West Zion website: <u>https://meet.google.com/bxs-bixi-vbi</u>.

#### **General Announcements**

10. **The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Board** recently met and discussed the 2021 Relief Sale. After much discussion and consultation, a decision has been made to hold the 2021 Relief Sale on <u>July 2 and 3, 2021</u>. A letter from Board Chair, Jim Robb, gives more detail and can be found on the foyer bulletin board.

11. **Bethel College event:** Bethel College's annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration will feature spoken word artist M'Vyonne Payne and former pro athlete and motivational speaker Chris Singleton. The event will be held on Monday, Jan. 18 at 6:30 PM in Krehbiel Auditorium Luyken Fine Arts Center, with COVID protocols in place, and will also be live-streamed via YouTube at bit.ly/bethelksmlk2021. Sponsors are the Bethel College Diversity Council, Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and Student Life Office, with support from the Bethel College Women's Association.

12. **Everence** will host its popular workshop, *Make Medicare an easy step*, as a webinar on Tuesday, Jan. 19 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 <u>central.kansas@everence.com</u>.

#### West Zion Prayers

Wynona & Jerry Becker as Jerry had surgery on Jan. 8 in Wichita.

Mel & Kathi Becker. Mel is now in Moundridge Mercy Hospital.

The family of Ray Klein. Ray passed away in Winnemucca, NV on December 12, 2020 after a fall.

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

Pray that WDC will receive generous contributions to help meet goals for the fiscal year ending in January and give thanks for the many ways congregations and donors support the ministry of the conference.

#### Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Mary Raber of Mennonite Mission Network has not been able to return to Odessa Theological Seminary in Ukraine because of COVID-19 restrictions. Pray for her as she continues her translation and editing work from the United States.

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We wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to: January 12: Taylor Stucky January 13: Corey Lohrenz January 14: Shery Kessler, Anthony Toro