

West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

Vol. LVI

March 28, 2021

No. 13

Palm Sunday

Words for silent meditation: *Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. (Psalm 118:26)*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

Palm Processional *Jesus is coming* STS 73

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 from Psalm 118

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

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

All Glory, Laud, and Honor (vss. 1,2,5) HWB 237
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna HWB 238

(*K-4 children meet at back of sanctuary to go downstairs for children's church. Parents can pick them up downstairs after worship.*)

Scripture Mark 11:1-11 Mike Kaufman

Message "Take a Little Step" Pastor Brad

Extinguishing the cross candle

Each week we will extinguish a candle on the altar cross to mark our journey with Christ toward the darkness of the crucifixion. The final candle will be extinguished at our Maundy Thursday service on April 1.

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 Pastor Brad ahead of time. You can text them to: 620-386-4838 or if you're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar.*)

Prayers of the People

**Sending Song *We Are Often Tossed and Driven* STS 72
(vss. 1,2,4)

**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.*)

Greeter(s): Ken Stucky

Sermon Notes

Take a Little Step
Mark 11:1-11

Theme - We take a step of faith in prayer.

Key Verse

(Mark 11:3) If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

Notes

A Question

Where is Jesus asking you to do something you don't fully understand? Are you willing to trust Him?

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

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

7:00 AM: Sunrise service in Russ Stucky pasture (note directions to a different location in the bulletin insert)

9:30 AM: Sunday School

10:30 AM: Worship Service

Message: Pastor Brad

Accompanist: Donna Stucky

Worship Leader: Pastor Brad

Scripture: Crysta Guhr

Greeter(s): Dave & Zettie Wedel

Coming Events

Today: 9:30 SS – begin discussing vision plan
6:30 PM: Service at Pack Park pavilion

March 29: 6:30 PM: Service at Pack Park pavilion

March 30: 6:30 PM: Service at Pack Park pavilion
No Prayer Lab this evening

March 31: 6:15-8 PM: JR/FEWZ Youth

April 1: 7 PM: Maundy Thursday service at West Zion

April 2: 7 PM: Good Friday service at Eden

April 4: 7 AM: Sunrise service, Easter Sunday

April 6: 7-7:30 PM: Prayer Lab

April 7: 6:15-8 PM JR/FEWZ Youth

April 8: 10 AM Homemakers meet at WZ

April 11: Mennonite Education Sunday **at West Zion** with First Church. Michael Unruh, speaker and Ken Rodgers on organ (no meal)

April 23: Red Cross bloodmobile at WZ

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

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. Please text Pastor Brad at 620-386-4838 if you have a joy, concern, or announcement you would like shared during worship.

2. **We’re launching children’s church this morning!** Children grades K-4 can meet Kaleigh at the back of the sanctuary to go downstairs for a special activity geared just for them. Parents can pick them up downstairs after worship.

3. Anyone who has **Easter lilies or spring flowers** is welcome to bring them to church on Easter Sunday morning.

4. The bulletin insert details the **Holy Week activities**, all are welcome to join any or all services.

5. **Join us April 1, 7:00 PM for a service of Maundy Thursday.** We’ll go deep in the gospel, sing, pray, and come together to the table of the Lord. Because of Covid, we will not have a meal together or practice foot-washing this year.

6. Pastor Brad invites you to **fast on Maundy Thursday, April 1**, for the mission of the church. Fasting involves drinking water (a little coffee if you have to!) but refraining from food. Try skipping breakfast and lunch and eating a light meal after worship in the evening. If you need to do a shorter fast, that’s okay--it’s all about grace. If you cannot fast from food because of a medical condition like diabetes, try fasting from TV or something else you regularly enjoy. Here are a few items to focus on for prayer:

- That Easter would be a time for new people to explore West Zion
- For those being baptized (Elijah Roth and Fynn Burge) and received into membership (Lory Fisher, Andrew and Joseph Azzarito) that their faith in Jesus would be strong.
- That our congregation would experience the revitalizing power of Christ’s resurrection this Easter season.

7. **Thank you to Connie Kaufman** for organizing my sale on March 27. Thank you to everyone who’s been willing to help! - Wynona Becker

8. Council has placed a **proposed Vision 2021 Plan in your mailboxes**. We’ll discuss the plan point by point in adult Sunday School at 9:30 AM, March 28-April 18. Join us to learn more!

March 28 – Intro to Vision 2021 Plan

April 4 – “Transform Sunday School” in Vision 2021 Plan

You can also talk to Connie Kaufman, Will Kaufman, Sharon Gehring, Carla Stucky, or Pastor Brad if you have questions or comments.

9. **Easter is one week away** (April 4). Who can you invite? After all that we’ve been through as a church, community, nation, and world this year more than ever You Need Easter! There are postcards in the foyer you can use to leave with family, friends, or neighbors.

10. **Christian Homemakers** will meet for a work day, working on comforters and packing school kits, on April 8 at 10 AM with a pizza lunch.

11. **Yearbook change:** Please change Melvin and Jan Graber’s email to migraber68@gmail.com in the yearbook.

12. Want to engage your neighborhood for mission but aren’t sure where to start? Consider getting to know your neighbors by having them over for a backyard hotdog roast, s’mores, or simple cookout.

Mission Team will cover your costs! Just submit your receipt to the Mission Team box. Questions? Talk to Geneva Wedel or Pastor Brad.

13. **All women and girls are invited** to the WD Women in Mission 2021 Spring Soiree Thursday, April 8 at 7:00 pm. Gather for a **virtual night of worship, music and a reflection** on "Faith in Turbulent Times" by speaker and freelance minister, Georgia Metz, M. Div. Special music will be provided by Erin Regier Graber and Addie Regier Kauffman. Email WDWM2021SpringSoiree@gmail.com to register by April 5. A zoom link will be sent to registered participants prior to the event.

General Announcements

14. **Mobility Worldwide/PET** workshop in Moundridge is an affiliate workshop that builds the Mobility Cart, an all-terrain wheelchair given to the disabled in developing countries. The team is going on a distribution trip to Guatemala, April 24-May 3. Anyone interested in helping with expenses for projects and distribution please make your check to Mobility Worldwide with Trip on the memo line and mail to Kirby Goering at 320 West Ruth St, Moundridge.

15. **Relief Sale PLANTS AND THINGS:** Mark your calendars for the Annual KMRS Plants and Thing Sale. We are selling plants, seedlings, flowers, vegetables and many more items on **Saturday, April 10, starting at 9:00 AM and running through the day, closing at 6:00 PM.** The Sale will be held at the MCC Building in North Newton and will utilize the MCC Buildings as well as the parking lot. This is your opportunity to prepare for your gardening year, and to support the great work of the Mennonite Central Committee. Credit Cards will be accepted. If you have donations of plants to make, please bring them to the MCC Building on Friday afternoon, April 9. Contact Kristi at 620-367-2721 or email kdunruh97@gmail.com for questions. Volunteers are needed to help on Friday and Saturday. Please check out the Sign-up Genius below or KMRS website at www.kansas.mccsale.org. Theresa Klassen will also have a table present to sell recycled jewelry. All profits go to support the work of MCC. Here is the link to the Plants and Things Sign-Up Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E44AFA72CA6F85-volunteers1>

16. **Everence** has added some additional seminar offerings in April. This information has been emailed to the congregation and you can also find it on our bulletin board.

17. **Bohne Berrogi Sales.** The MCC Sale Bohne Berrogi Committee will be selling at Moundridge High School on April 3. The Bohne Berrogi will be sold, by the dozen, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM . The cost will be \$20.00 a dozen, NO sauce will be provided. No advance orders will be taken. This will be the only opportunity to purchase Bohne Berrogi unless some are not sold. Leftovers will be frozen and sold at a later date or at the Relief Sale in July.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for all WDC congregations and members in this Holy Week, as we follow Jesus in the way of the cross and in the promise of true life.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Naomi Tice, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, began an assignment with *Christliche Dienste* (German Mennonite Voluntary Service) last month. Pray for Naomi's fluency in the German language and ability to adapt, as this is the third country in which she has worked in the past year, due to COVID-19 restrictions and visa regulations.

Mosaic Directory in pews

Austin Roberts in Northern Ireland, pg 28



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:
March 30: Jaden Schmidt

BUDGET SUMMARY

| | This Year | Last Year |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Regular collections – this week | \$ 2,027.00 | \$ 2,788.00 |
| Regular collections – year to date | \$ 51,109.76 | \$ 42,420.82 |
| | | |
| Budget | \$165,158.00 | \$163,471.00 |
| Less: expended to date | (27,325.26) | (28,300.09) |
| Less: cash balance | (30,552.09) | (24,593.00) |
| Receipts needed to meet budget | \$107,280.65 | \$110,577.91 |
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| Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget | \$ 2,682 | \$ 2,764 |



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