### **West Zion Mennonite Church**

9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM: Morning Worship Vol. LVI April 4, 2021 No. 14

### **EASTER SUNDAY**

Words for silent meditation: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. (Psalm 118:29)

Prelude Donna 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, from Psalm 118

This is the gate of the LORD / The righteous shall enter through it.

The stone that the builders rejected / has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the day that the LORD has made / Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

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

Low in the grave he lay HWB 273 Christ the Lord is risen today HWB 280 10.000 Reasons

Scripture Mark 16:1-8 Crysta Guhr

Message "He Is Not Here!" Pastor Brad

Response: HWB 712 the Apostles' Creed

Baptism of Elijah Roth and Fynn Burge Confirmation of Andrew and Joseph Azzarito Receiving Lory Fisher into membership Offering (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

Gathering at the Lord's Table

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts Heaven and earth are full of your glory Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Greeter(s): Geneva Wedel

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

<sup>\*\*</sup>Sending Song

In Christ Alone

<sup>\*\*</sup>Benediction

<sup>\*\*</sup>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.)

# Mennonite Education Sunday, April 11, 2021

First Mennonite of Moundridge will join us at West Zion for 10:30 worship

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

**Message:** Michael Unruh from Bethel College **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky & Ken Rodgers

Worship Leader: Pastor Brad Greeter(s): Dave & Zettie Wedel No noon meal will be served

# **Coming Events**

Today: 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 (no meal)

April 13: 7-7:30 PM Prayer Lab
April 14: 6:15-8 PM JR/FEWZ Youth
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

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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.
- 2. **Welcome to everyone joining us** today as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus! We're glad you can be here. During the time of communion, we invite all who have been baptized to come forward to receive the bread and the cup. If you have not been baptized or do not wish to receive communion today, you may still come forward for a blessing. Simply indicate that you do not wish to receive by crossing your arms.
- 3. **We will be holding 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.
- 4. I attended the **STEPMC** graduation program on March 22. For those of you who have helped with any part of this program, your time, energy and money are much appreciated! The three graduates were thankful for what the program taught them and friendships made. Their courage to ask for help and begin a journey toward renewed hope for the future was inspirational. Please keep them in your prayers. Carla Stucky
- 5. Council has placed a **proposed Vision 2021 Plan in your mailboxes**. We'll discuss the plan point by point in 9:30 AM adult Sunday School through April 18. Join us to learn more! April 11: "Transform Worship & Preaching" April 18: "Explore Name Change" Feel free to visit with Connie Kaufman, Will Kaufman, Sharon Gehring, Carla Stucky, or Pastor Brad if you have questions or comments.
- 6. **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.

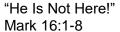
- 7. Want to engage your neighborhood for mission but aren't sure where to start? Consider getting to know your neighbors by having them over for a backyard hotdog roast, s'mores, or simple cookout.

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

# **General Announcements**

- 9. **Mobility Worldwide/PET** 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 or Chris Goering at 320 West Ruth St, Moundridge.
- 10. Relief Sale Plants and Things: 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, Kansas and will utilize the MCC Buildings as well as the parking lot. 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 for questions. Volunteers are needed to help 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 selling recycled jewelry. As with Plants and Things all profits go to support the work of MCC. Get a start on participating in the 2021 KMRS, by planning to attend the Plants and Things Booth and some recycled jewelry. The link to sign up is: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E44AFA72CA6F85volunteers1.
- 11. **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.

### **Sermon Notes**



#### Theme

Jesus was raised, so we have hope!

### Key Verse

(Mark 16:6) "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.

#### Notes

Jesus was crucified.

Jesus has risen.

Jesus is not here.

### **A Question**

How has the message of Jesus' resurrection changed how you think, act, and live?

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

Give thanks for the joy of resurrection, as WDC congregations celebrate Easter and bear witness to new life, healing and hope in Jesus!

### **Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

On this Easter Sunday, pray with Mennonite Mission Network that the continuing need to proclaim Jesus' resurrection and his offer of new life is met in the land where he lived. Nazareth Hospital, in Israel, is seeking volunteer chaplains to provide holistic care for patients from diverse religious backgrounds. May God inspire and equip qualified people to respond.

### **Mosaic Directory in pews**

Paul and Hildi Amstutz in Paraguay, pg 33

We wish a "Happy Birthday" to:

April 4: Clark Graber April 6: Zettie Wedel April 9: Gene Bachman April 10: Lorene Lohrenz