

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. (Psalm 92:12).*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

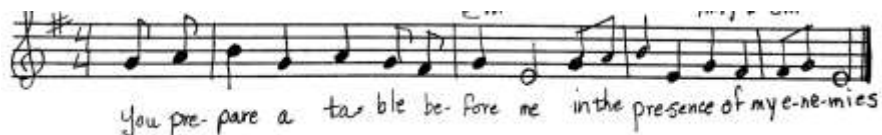
Welcome Pastor Brad Roth
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

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 92*
It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,
You, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

****Celebrating in song**
Build Your Kingdom Here (VT 393)
The Love of God (VT 162)

Scripture, Psalm 23 Lici Roth



Message "Trust for the Dash" Pastor Brad

Offering (*Offering will be received in the basket on the back table.*)

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** *Shout to the Lord (VT 125)*

****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): Frances Neufeld

Sermon Notes

Trust for the Dash
Psalm 23

Theme

God calls us to trust him for this life and the next.

Key Verse

(Psalm 23:6) Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Notes

A Question

Where do you struggle to trust in God? Have there been times when it's come more easily?

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

Sunday, June 20, 2021

9:30 AM: Fellowship time (no SS) 10:30 AM: Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad (video) **Accompanist:** Crysta Guhr
Worship Leader: Carla Stucky **Scripture:** Carolyn Schmidt
Singers: Kaleigh Guhr, Leon Guhr
Greeter(s): Dan Pohl

Coming Events

June 13: Hymn sing at 7:00 PM at West Zion
June 16: Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM at AG360
June 25: Red Cross Bloodmobile at West Zion
June 26: FEWZ fundraiser pickleball tourney
July 1: Christian Homemakers Bake Day 1:00 PM
July 2-3: MCC Sale at Kansas state fairgrounds
July 11-13: Community Vacation Bible School at West Zion
July 18: "Potluck for the neighborhood" meal

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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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. **Due to improving Covid conditions** in our church and community, Council has decided to make masks optional. Please continue to practice social distancing. We will continue to monitor the situation and reevaluate if cases begin to climb again.

2. **Pastor Brad** will be out June 17-20 traveling to IL with family. Please direct any care concerns to the deacons (Sharon Gehring, Carla Stucky, and Will Kaufman).

3. **All are invited to a fellowship time** (plus snacks!) from 9:30-10:15 on Sunday mornings during the summer. This come and go time is for all ages! Regular Sunday School will not be held during the summer.

4. From now until the MCC Sale on July 3 we're collecting change for **Coins Count!** Dig under your cushions and empty out that coin jar for relief and development projects worldwide through Mennonite Central Committee! The coin tub is at the back of the sanctuary.

5. **Thanks to everyone** who pitched in their labor and donated ingredients to make our annual Black Kettle chalupa meal a success! We served around 250 people and raised \$1,972 for the Mennonite College Fund, which provides scholarships for WZ students attending Mennonite colleges.

6. Today is **Jr. FEWZ Sunday** for June! We've invited our Jr. High youth group and families to join us in worship along with sponsors Emily and Josh Regier and family. Be sure to give the youth a warm welcome! The next Jr. FEWZ Sunday will be July 18.

7. The **Christian Homemakers** will hold a bake day for the MCC Sale on July 1 at 1:00 PM at West Zion. More details to follow!

8. **Pickleball Tourney!** The FEWZ (First, Eden, West Zion) youth group will be holding a pickleball tournament as a youth fundraiser on Saturday, June 26 at Greer Gym. All skill levels are welcome and there will be a 24-person limit. Registration will only be online at <https://forms.gle/upmkmL8yCELHFbZA6> and play begins at 8:00 am. Come test your skills or just come watch the fun! More information is on the bulletin board.

9. **Men of the church**, join us for a men's Bible study, Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 AM at AG360 through July 7! We'll study the armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-20. How can we grow stronger in our faith, firmer in our convictions, and more courageous in our life with Christ?

10. Beginning Sunday June 6, we're launching a **summer teaching series called "Psalms to Live by."** Think of it as a summer festival of Psalms! The Psalms put words to the longings of the human heart for God. They express the whole range of emotions: love and hate, angst and calm, despair and steadfast hope for the future. We'll study eight psalms in depth to learn how they can strengthen our faith, fuel our prayers, and deepen our life!

11. Join us for a **hymn sing** tonight at 7:00 PM! Jan Dyck will lead. Come and sing your favorite "oldies but goodies!"

12. Mark your calendars for **Vacation Bible School**, three nights: July 11-13 at West Zion! We're looking forward to getting VBS started again after a year off, and we need volunteers to make it happen. VBS is a great time to reach out and connect kids to the love of Christ. Contact Lory Fisher with questions or to volunteer! (620-794-6125; huffycross58@gmail.com)

General Announcements

13. The **WDC Annual Assembly** will be held **July 30-August 1**. This will be a "hybrid" event meaning some parts are virtual and some are only on-site. The on-site parts will be held at **Faith Mennonite Church** in Newton. The Assembly theme will be "Woven Into God's Story" (using Colossians 2:2-7). **Michele Hershberger**, Bible and Ministry Professor, Hesston College, will be our keynote speaker and storyteller. There will be a good assortment of **seminars** representing the work of WDC Task Forces and Committees. Food trucks will be on-site to offer supper options. We will be sharing communion around the supper table and virtually, so we hope you will join us for the evening meal. The Assembly cost will be by donation (suggested donation - for on-site participants \$85, for virtual participants \$35, for congregations having a "viewing party" \$300 for the group). Give as you are able to cover the costs. For **online registration**, go to: <https://mennowdc.org/2021-wdc-annual-assembly/>.

14. The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for June 25 from noon until 6:00 PM at West Zion Mennonite. Please enter through the west doors only. For an appointment call 1-800-733-2767

or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use “Moundridge” for the sponsor code. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, call Carol at 620-345-6774 or email bczerger@mtelco.net.

15. Join James Wheeler and Linda Herr on June 22 at 7 PM to hear **The Gift of Love: Doing our part for healing and wholeness in the world**. James and Linda are area directors for Europe & Middle East, Register for the webinar at mcc.org/mcc-webinar-series.

16. **The MCC Alumni Gathering is July 9-11** and all MCC alumni and their families are invited to join us at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. Please sign up by June 25!

17. **Current openings at MCC** can be found at mcc.org. Current open positions include Canning & Trucking Manager, Multimedia Producer, Meat Canner and many international service opportunities.

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 4,115.00	\$ 4,135.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 82,957.60	\$ 65,500.82
Budget	\$165,158.00	\$163,471.00
Less: expended to date	(59,062.26)	(55,463.14)
Less: cash balance	<u>(30,674.85)</u>	<u>(20,934.42)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 75,420.89	\$ 87,073.44
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,601	\$ 3,000



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:
June 19: Gerry Major

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:
June 17: Curtis & Crysta Guhr

West Zion Prayers

Carl, struggling with some depression

Emily Dibbens and family. Emily is the sister-in-law of Jay and Vicky’s daughter. She is suffering from cancer and recently went on hospice.

Braxton’s GI and airway surgery in Boston went well and doctors are pleased at the improvement in his lungs. Braxton is the grandson of Rosanne Hayes.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for God’s guidance and joy for the WDC Annual Assembly planning team, as they prepare for our hybrid (in-person and online) gathering July 30-Aug 1 with worship, delegate business, learning seminars and fellowship.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig, and their three children, are preparing to return to the African continent to build bridges between Christians and Muslims. Pray for them during their time of orientation at the Paris Mennonite Center in France, where they will ground themselves in language study and in the ministries in French-speaking Africa. They are serving jointly through Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network.

Mosaic Directory in pews

Karen Spicher and Jae Young Lee in Seoul, South Korea, pg 8

Prayer Garden



Pray for the Mission Team (Crysta Guhr, Geneva Wedel, Lory Fisher, and Pastor Brad) as they seek ways to encourage and equip our congregation for mission across town and around the world.