

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. (Psalm 100:4)*

Prelude    Carla Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

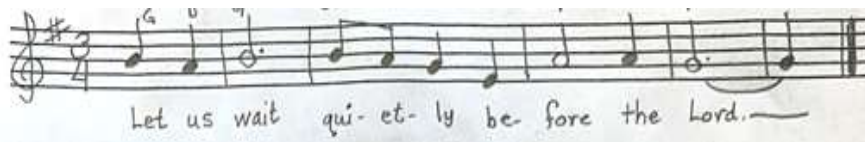
Announcements

Call to Worship, from Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.  
**Worship the LORD with gladness; Come into his presence with singing.**  
Know that the LORD is God.  
***His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.***

**\*\*Celebrating in song**  
Waymaker  
When We Walk with the Lord (VT 570)

Scripture, Psalm 131



Message, "Like a Weaned Child"

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).*

Mateo Roth and Lexi Bretz share about MennoCon2021 in Cincinnati, OH

Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**        *Rejoice in the Lord Always*

**\*\*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): Dave & Zettie Wedel

### Sermon Notes

Like a Weaned Child  
Psalm 131

Theme  
God invites us to rest in him.

Key Verse  
(Psalm 131:2) I have stilled and quieted my soul; like a weaned child with its mother, like a weaned child is my soul within me.

### Notes

A Question  
Where are you restless in your life? Why?

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

## **Sunday, July 25, 2021**

**9:30 AM: Fellowship time (no SS) 10:30 AM: Worship Service**  
**Message:** Pastor Brad      **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad      **Scripture:** Curtis Guhr  
**Singers:** Lory Fisher  
**Greeter(s):** Geneva Wedel

### **Coming Events**

July 18: Church potluck & Jr. FEWZ Sunday  
July 25: Pastor evaluation forms due, hymn sing 7:00 PM  
Aug. 22: Results of the pastoral evaluation presented 9:30 AM  
Aug. 29: Pastoral vote immediately following worship  
Sept. 8: Round-table discussion on name change

**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](mailto: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](mailto:secretary@westzionmc.org)  
Website: [www.westzionmc.org](http://www.westzionmc.org)

## 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. **All are invited** to join us for a potluck downstairs following worship this morning. There will be plenty of food, come eat with us!
3. **Pine Village** is kicking off our 2021 Bierock Fundraiser! Pre-Orders are due Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup> to Pine Village and pick up is Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 3-6pm at the Pine Village Wellness Center parking lot. Order forms can be found in the foyer.
4. A **hymn sing** will take place on Sunday, July 25 at 7:00 PM. Come join us in singing all your favorites!
5. A **pastoral evaluation** has been placed in the church mailboxes. Please take time to prayerfully fill out this one-page evaluation and return to the Deacons' mailbox (on the bottom row) by July 25. If you do not have a mailbox but would like an evaluation, please contact a Deacon (Sharon Gehring, Will Kaufman, or Carla Stucky). Results of the survey will be presented during Sunday School hour 9:30 am on August 22.
6. **Looking for volunteers!!** STEP MC is looking for volunteers to make a meal for 15-20 people on Monday nights for their weekly meeting. Find a friend and make the meal together OR get a Sunday School class together and help STEP-MC with their mission. It's easy to sign up using SignUpGenius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da4a928a3fdc70-stepmc>. Please call or text Connie Kaufman at 620-386-0816 OR [conniekaufman@gmail.com](mailto:conniekaufman@gmail.com) if you need more information.
7. **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.

## General Announcements

8. **Everence** will hold a *Gifts that Give Back* webinar on Tuesday, August 3 at 6:30 PM. Many make charitable gifts to support their favorite causes and organizations. Some choose to extend their charitable giving further by designating dollars for charity in their end-of-life plans. But did you know there is another type of gift plan that generates income for the donor and then sends a gift to charity at a later date? Come to this workshop to learn more about "Gifts that give back" and whether it is a strategy for you! This webinar will be hosted by Mitch Stutzman, Everence Stewardship Consultant. This webinar is free. Please register by contacting our office at 877-467-7294, 316-283-3800 or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).
9. The 2021 issue of **Mennonite Life**, Bethel College's annual online journal, is now live at [ml.bethelks.edu](http://ml.bethelks.edu), with articles and reviews by Brad Born, Rachel Epp Buller, Peter Goerzen, Raylene Hinz-Penner, Mark Jantzen, Jim Juhnke, Nate Kroeker, Alec Loganbill, Jacob Miller, Bethany Powls, Rich Preheim, Darrin Snyder-Belousek, Tara Schwartz, Anne Marie Stoner-Eby and Melanie Zuercher.
10. The **WDC Annual Assembly** will be held **July 30-August 1**. Some parts are virtual and some are on-site (**Faith Mennonite Church** in Newton). The Assembly theme will be "Woven Into God's Story" (Col. 2:2-7). **Michele Hershberger**, Bible and Ministry Professor, Hesston College, will be our keynote speaker and storyteller. An assortment of **seminars** will be offered and we will be sharing communion around the supper table and virtually. The Assembly cost will be by donation (suggested 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 **registration** and details, go to: <https://mennowdc.org/2021-wdc-annual-assembly/>.

## Name Change Process

Per our Vision 2021 Plan which was distributed in March, the Vision Team has been discussing a name change for our church. Council decided to form the Name Change Committee (NCC). Members are Leon Guhr, Jan Dyck, Rondell Burge, Jennifer Suarez, Carla Stucky and Pastor Brad. The NCC will be gathering information and suggestions from the congregation over the next few months. We will hold round-table discussion on Wednesday, September 8 at 7:00 pm. Watch this space as this process develops. NCC will also communicate through email and church mailboxes. If you need a copy of the Vision 2021 Plan, please see Carla. A name change can contribute to renewed engagement in the community and growth, but it must be the leading edge of a renewed missional vision for reaching the community. **As we talk about changing our name, leaving Western District Conference or MCUSA is not currently part of the discussion.** We welcome your questions and concerns as we journey through this process together.

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 624.00	\$ 1,145.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 92,035.70	\$ 75,922.82
Budget	\$165,158.00	\$163,471.00
Less: expended to date	( 82,026.47)	( 76,965.27)
Less: cash balance	( 18,353.20)	( 28,302.33)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 64,778.33	\$ 58,203.40
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,699	\$ 2,425

## **West Zion Prayers**

Family of Ruth Schmidt after her passing on July 11.

Parrott family of Hesston after their daughter Maddie was shot and killed

Rosanne Hayes, recovering at Bethesda Home after a knee surgery. She will stay at Bethesda for a couple of weeks.

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

Pray for the WDC Resource Commission as they meet this week and work to equip congregations in faith formation for all ages, peacemaking, justice, evangelism and other ministries.

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

Quito Mennonite Church in Ecuador has planted a community garden to provide food for church members and work for those who are unemployed. Delicia Bravo Aguilar and Peter Wigginton of MMN request prayers for a bountiful harvest.

## **Mosaic Directory in pews**

Matthew & Toni Krabill in Paris, France, pg 25

## Prayer Garden

Pray for our Peru sister church and Pastor Felix. During the pandemic, they have mostly been able to continue to meet inside because the virus was not as bad in more isolated communities. The church has continued to grow! Last month, they celebrated a baptism and a wedding.



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

July 18: Connie Graber

July 22: Jean Regier, Joseph Azzarito