

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! (Psalm 123:1).*

Prelude Donna 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 123

Our eyes look to the LORD our God, until you have mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O LORD!

Have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease,

We have had more than our fill of the contempt of the proud.

****Celebrating in song**

My Peace
Jesus, Be the Center (VT 584)

Scripture Psalm 90 Pastor Brad



Teach us, O Lord, to count well our days.

Message “The Center Holds” - Psalms to Live by 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** *My Life Flows On (VT 605)*

****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

The Center Holds
Psalm 90

Theme

Jesus calls us to center our lives in him.

Key Verse

(Psalm 90:12) Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Notes

A Question

What animates your life?

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

Sunday, July 11, 2021

9:30 AM: Fellowship time (no SS) 10:30 AM: Worship Service
Message: Pastor Brad **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Sharon Gehring
Singers: Lory Fisher
Greeter(s): Kirk & Carla Stucky

Coming Events

July 7: Men's Bible Study 6:30 AM at AG360
July 11-13: Community VBS at West Zion 6:00-8:30 PM
July 16: Pool party 6:30-8:30 PM
July 18: Church potluck
July 25: Pastor evaluation forms due
Aug. 22: Results of the pastoral evaluation presented 9:30 AM
Aug. 29: Pastoral vote immediately following worship

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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Pastor Brad's email: bradroth@westzionmc.org

Secretary Carla Stucky's hours:

Thursdays 1:00-4:00 pm

Church: 620-345-8143
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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. 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.

3. **Church mailboxes** in the back of the sanctuary are available for any person attending West Zion. If you do not have a mailbox but would like one, let Carla Stucky know.

4. Pine Village is currently taking pre-orders for our 2021 Benefit Day Pulled Pork & Baby Back Ribs Fundraiser! This is a new date, as the previous was postponed. If you already submitted a Pre-Order you do not need to again unless you are wanting to add to it. **Pre-Orders are due July 7th to Pine Village** and pick up is Saturday, July 17th from 9-11am at the Pine Village Wellness Center. Thank you for your support!

5. The Mission Team is planning a **free "pool party"** on Friday, July 16 from 6:30-8:30 PM at the new Moundridge swimming pool. Vacation Bible School students and families as well as West Zion members are invited. Beat the heat and come join us!

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 conniejkaufman@gmail.com if you need more information.

7. The **Moundridge Food Pantry** located in the Senior Center is now open for business. The hours are Tuesdays from 5 to 6 PM; Thursdays from 3 to 5 PM; and Saturdays from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. The Food Pantry is in need of volunteers. Please call 620-747-0967 if you are interested in helping.

8. **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.

9. Mark your calendars for **Vacation Bible School**, three nights: July 11-13 6:00-8:30 PM 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

10. **Everence** will host its popular workshop, *Make Medicare an easy step*, as a webinar on Tuesday, July 13 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 central.kansas@everence.com. *Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare.*

11. The **MCC Central States** office in North Newton, KS will be open to the public starting Tuesday, July 6. Regular office hours are Monday-Friday, 8am-12pm and 1pm-5pm. Masks are respected but not required for fully vaccinated adults. We look forward to welcoming you back at MCC! Contact us at 316-283-2720 or centralstates@mcc.org.

12. 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/>.

West Zion Prayers

Vacation Bible School and for Director Lory Fisher

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for delegates, youth groups and others from WDC attending MennoCon21 (Mennonite Church USA convention and delegate assembly) both virtually and in-person this week.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Arloa Bontrager of Mennonite Mission Network has been the servant project coordinator for Mennonite Church USA conventions since 2003! Thank God for her faithful ministry and for the 23,533 volunteers who have contributed to the ministry of 420 local agencies during the past 18 years. Pray that Jesus' love will be shown through this year's *Service in a Box* projects.

Mosaic Directory in pews

Joshua & Alisha Garber in Barcelona, pg 25

Prayer Garden

Pray for Mennonite Church USA (MCUSA) and Mennonite Mission Network. The MCUSA convention will take place in Cincinnati, OH July 6-10. The FEWZ youth group, led by Pastor Derek King, will be attending, including our very own Mateo Roth and Lexi Bretz.



We wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to:
July 6: Andrew Azzarito
July 7: Vicky Kessler