

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! (Psalm 8:1)*

Prelude    Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome    Pastor Brad Roth  
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, *from* Psalm 8  
What are human beings that you are mindful of them?  
**You have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.**  
You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet  
**O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**\*\*Celebrating in song**  
*My Life Flows on (VT 605)*  
*Oceans*

**Children's Church (4-yrs old to 4th grade) & Nursery (ages 1-3) offered at this time.**

Scripture                      Acts 27:33-44                      Carla Stucky

Message                      "Breaking Bread in the Storm"                      Pastor Brad

Offering (*Offering will be received in the basket on the back table.*)  
Special offering for Larsons

**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**

*Prayer continues...*

**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 thine is the kingdom,**  
**and the power, and the glory, forever.**  
**Amen.**

**\*\*Sending Song** *Sent Forth by God's Blessing (HWB 478)*

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude** (*We encourage you to go outside and spread out if you would like to connect and chat.*)

Greeter(s): Terry & Shery Kessler

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**Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org**  
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## **Sunday, October 10, 2021**

**10:00 AM:** Prayer Lab in Conf. Rm    **10:30 AM:** Worship Service  
**Message:** Pastor Brad                    **Accompanist:** Carla Stucky  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad        **Scripture:** Tracy Duffman  
**Greeter(s):** Frances Neufeld

### **Coming Events**

Today:            World Communion Sunday  
Oct. 6:            5:45 PM Meal & MYM  
                      6:15 PM Meal for adults, Jr FEWZ & FEWZ youth  
                      7:00 PM Adult Bible Study  
Oct. 13:           5:45 PM Meal & MYM  
                      6:15 PM Meal for adults, Jr FEWZ & FEWZ youth  
                      7:00 PM Adult Bible Study  
Oct. 14:           Christian Homemakers meet 7 PM  
Oct 16:           Church picnic at Will & Ellen Kaufman's 5:00 PM  
Nov. 14:           Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite  
Nov. 21:           Noon meal and budget meeting

**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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#### **Secretary Carla Stucky's hours:**

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. Today is **World Communion Sunday**. Each year, our church takes this day to remember brave believers worldwide who risk their comfort, safety, and sometimes their lives to follow Jesus. Today, we're focusing on north Africa, where our mission partners the Larsons serve. The countries of north Africa are majority Muslim, but often have a strong and ancient Christian minority. We pray that the Larsons' work creating video content with Christian themes for majority-Muslim nations would bear fruit for the Kingdom. We lift up Christians in these areas that they might live the gospel fully and bravely.
2. The Gifts Discernment Committee will be taking **nominations for Deacon** this Sunday morning. Sharon Gehring is currently serving in this position and is eligible for another term.
3. The **Christian Homemakers** will meet October 14 at 7 PM in West Zion Fellowship Hall. The evening has some planning but maybe also some work projects to work with. All women of West Zion are invited to come for the fellowship.
4. Beginning 10/17 - "**Great Pray-ers**" a 5-part series rounding out our Year of Prayer by looking at men and women of prayer in the Old Testament. Invite a friend or neighbor!
5. **See what's new!**
  - Prayer Lab in Conference Rm: 10:00-10:20 AM (led by Jim and Joanne Stucky). A time to meet and pray for the life and mission of the church.
  - Children's church: (taught by Lici Roth), 4 years old to 4th grade. Children go downstairs after singing through the end of the service for a time of study, singing, and craft designed just for them!
  - Nursery: (led by Kaleigh Guhr), Ages 1-3. Children meet Kaleigh at back of the sanctuary after the singing through the end of worship.
6. Join us for food and fellowship at our **annual church picnic** at Will and Ellen Kaufman's, October 16, 5:00 PM! The Christian Discipleship Team will provide hotdogs and chips. Bring a side or dessert to share, as well as your table service (we'll have some extra on hand, just in case) and lawn chairs. If you have yard games, bring those along too! Address: 2635 Cheyenne Rd, Moundridge.

7. It's not too late to join our **Bible Study "Anxious for Nothing"** by Max Lucado. While anxiety is a part of life, it doesn't have to dominate life! Come explore Phil. 4:4-8 for the next five Wednesdays from 7-8 PM. Carla Stucky will lead this study and is available to answer questions.

## General Announcements

8. Pine Village is gearing up for our **2021 Benefit Day Auction and Sausage Supper!** The Auction will be online again this year, the evening of October 21st. Check our website, [www.pinevillageks.org](http://www.pinevillageks.org), and Facebook page the week of the Auction, to see what Auction items are available. We are offering a sausage supper pre-order this year, which are due October 11, to Pine Village. Pick up will be Thursday, October 21st from 5-7pm at the Pine Village Wellness Center parking lot. Thank you for your support!
9. Hoffnungsau Mennonite's **Mission Supper** free will offering will benefit STEP-MC, an agency giving families essential tools to get out of poverty. The carry out meal on October 16 from 5-6:30 PM will feature sausage, potatoes/gravy, zwiebach and pie. Call or text Barb (620-543-6863) or Teresa (620-242-2357) by October 10 to order meals to be picked up at the church, 43 13th Avenue, Inman.
10. **MCC in North Newton currently has over 800 sets of comforter tops and backs that need to be tied**, as well as kits of fabric that can be sewn into more tops. MCC's partners all around the world value these handmade comforters. If you or your sewing group would be interested, please contact Kate Mast at [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org), or 316-283-2720.
11. The **2021 Worship and the Arts Symposium** at Bethel College, "Joining Voices Together," originally scheduled for Nov. 5-8, has been postponed due to COVID precautions.
12. The **Paradizo Choir** will present a Benefit Concert at Hesston Mennonite Church October 10 at 4 PM. Freewill offerings will be designated for the Building Fund of the Amani Community Church, Wichita. The Amani (Peace) church began in December 2019 and is supported by the churches of South Central Mennonite Conference.
13. **Everence Financial**<sup>®</sup> will host three free webinars: *Making Medicare an easy step*, *Maximizing your year-end giving* and *Estate*

*planning basics*. Contact the office at 316-283-3800 or visit [www.everence.com/kansas](http://www.everence.com/kansas) for more information.

## Name Change Process

The Name Change Committee will meet on October 7 to sort through the survey suggestions and work on a final proposal. We will then test name options out on different groups and present a final proposal to Council for approval at the October meeting. The proposal will then be announced to the congregation through a bulletin announcement, a note in boxes, and an informational meeting. NCC hopes to bring a final name proposal to the congregation for a vote at the November 21 congregational budget meeting. *This timeline is flexible and may be extended if needed.* Please pray for the NCC and for our church as we continue to discern God's calling. We thank you for your honest feedback and welcome your questions and concerns.

## Sermon Notes

Breaking Bread in the Storm  
Acts 27:33-44

### Theme

Even in the storms we give thanks to God.

### Key Verse

(Acts 27:34) Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive. Not one of you will lose a single hair from his head."

### Notes

### A Question

Does it come naturally to you to give thanks to God in trying circumstances?

## **West Zion Prayers**

Lily, Donna and Mark's granddaughter, dealing with Covid.

Wayne and Jeannie Larson, our mission partners in north Africa.

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

Pray for WDC congregations and pastors during pastoral transition, as they seek God's guidance for healthy endings and new beginnings.

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

Alisha, Josh and Asher Garber have moved into the newly renovated Barcelona Anabaptist Center, which now houses 16 residents. Pray that the center will encourage solidarity in their neighborhood and that the Garbers will model servant leadership in Catalonia (a region where allegiance to Spain vies with voices calling for independence).

## **Mosaic Directory in pews**

Connor Born, Roxy Gehring, Erin Kauffman in MVS Alamosa, CO, pg 50



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:  
October 3: Randy Kessler,  
Kathryn Hayes  
October 4: Hoyatte Harris  
October 9: Rondell Burge