

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Silent meditation: *Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD. (Psalm 119:1)*

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 119:1-8  
Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

**Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart.**

You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

**O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!**

***I will praise you with an upright heart!***

**\*\*Celebrating in song**

*Brethren, We Have met to Worship HWB 8*

*Blessed Be Your Name VT 637*

*Be Still and Know VT 37*

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

Scripture                      1 Kings 3:3-15                      Geneva Wedel

Message                      "A Wise and Discerning Heart"                      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**      *Jesus, Be the Center STS 31*

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

**\*\*Postlude**

Greeter(s): Ken Stucky

### Sermon Notes

A Wise and Discerning Heart

1 Kings 3:3-15

Theme

Pray for God's wisdom.

Key Verse

(1 Kings 3:12) I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.

Notes

A Question

What area in your life do you know you need wisdom? What area do you not know?

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

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## **Sunday, November 7, 2021**

**10:00 AM:** Prayer Lab in Conf. Rm    **10:30 AM:** Worship Service  
**Message:** Pastor Brad                    **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad        **Scripture:** Lici Roth  
**Greeter(s):** Kirk & Carla Stucky

### **Coming Events**

Nov. 3:            5:45 PM Meal & MYM  
                      6:15 PM Meal for adults, Jr FEWZ & FEWZ youth  
                      7:00 PM Adult Bible Study (last one)

Nov. 14:          9:30 AM Mission Sunday **at Eden Mennonite**, no meal

Nov. 15:          MCC Meat Canning

Nov. 18:          Christian Homemakers work day 1-5 PM

Nov. 21:          Noon potluck meal and budget meeting

Dec. 5:            Christian Homemakers meet at 6:00 at Sharon Gehring's

Dec. 24:          Christmas Eve

Jan. 15:          Name change informational & storytelling meeting

Jan. 23:          Annual meeting and vote 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. We are in our **Great Prayers sermon series** looking at 5 men and women of prayer in the Old Testament: Abraham, Hannah, Solomon, Elijah, and Jeremiah. How can their examples lead us to grow in our prayer lives?
2. **Craft Retreat Weekend!** All are invited to a come-and-go craft retreat this weekend in West Zion Fellowship Hall. Doors will open at 4:00 pm on Friday, Nov. 5 and the weekend will end on Saturday, Nov. 6 at 10:00 pm. Tables will be set up and ready for you and your creativity! Don't craft? Bring a book, Bible Study, or something that relaxes you. There will be no food provided but feel free to bring snacks and drinks. For questions, contact Connie Kaufman.
3. On November 14, **West Zion is invited to join with Eden and First Mennonite AT EDEN** to celebrate Mission Sunday. Worship will begin at 9:30 AM, followed by Sunday School at 10:30 AM. The speaker is Sara Wenger Shenk, preacher, seminary professor, and author of the book *Tongue Tied: Learning the Lost Art of Talking about Faith*. There will be no meal served this year. Eden is located at 401 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue. There will be no worship services held at West Zion that morning.
4. **Yearbook update:** Dale Jantzen has moved to Pine Village and is in Room 201 in Assisted Living. Please make that change in your yearbook.
5. **MCC meat canning** will be Monday November 15<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer. Our church needs to raise \$1,400 to purchase meat. **As of the printing of this bulletin, \$1,200 has been given by our church** (note budget summary in the bulletin). Make checks payable to West Zion Mennonite with MCC meat canning in the memo and place in the offering.
6. **Christian Homemakers will again collect used greeting cards for the St. Jude Children's Project.** Put the entire card into the box on the foyer shelf.
7. Christian Homemakers will meet November 18 from 1:00-5:00 PM for a work afternoon and December 5 at 6:00 PM at Sharon Gehring's

home for a **Christmas gathering with finger foods**. All women of the church are welcome to come for fellowship.

8. If you or someone you know would be willing to **provide special music for upcoming worship services**, Music Committee would be delighted to know about it. Please contact:

Jan Dyck: [jkaydyck@yahoo.com](mailto:jkaydyck@yahoo.com)

Donna Stucky: [donrayes@gmail.com](mailto:donrayes@gmail.com)

## General Announcements

9. Thursday, November 4 is the date set for the 2021 Tabor Church Mennonite Men **Chicken BBQ meal**. Once again, it will be a "Drive-By" meal from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The address is 891 Chisholm Trail, Rural Newton, KS, 8 miles north of Newton on Hwy 15, 1 mile east. Donations will be received that evening for our Mission Partners, the Givens family, and Bethesda Home.
10. **WDC Texas congregations** are planning a joint worship service on Saturday, December 4th, from 6:30-8:00 PM on Zoom and Facebook live. Worship will include Christmas music, updates from the congregations represented, and a chance to celebrate being together in Christ. The following is the Zoom link if you would like to attend: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81046316079?pwd=djZkUU56RTRDdUN3WnEwRHVGOU8zZz09>. This event can also be found on Facebook.
11. **NEW Seek discipleship program for young adults:** Seek is a new six-month intentional discipleship program from MCC which encourages young adults (18-20 years of age) to learn more deeply what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Jesus. The program will include multiple discipleship and service opportunities with MCC partners in Palestine and Israel and Jordan. The Seek program begins in January 2022 and takes place in Palestine and Israel. To learn more and apply for the Seek program, visit [mcc.org/seek](http://mcc.org/seek).
12. **SALT applications are now open!** Are you interested in learning a new language, visiting a new country, and joining a new community abroad? SALT applications are now open! Through SALT (young adults ages 18-30), practice your skills in education, peace building, agriculture, community health care and more while connecting with the global Anabaptist community of faith. For information, visit [mcc.org/SALT](http://mcc.org/SALT) or contact Abby Endashaw [abbyendashaw@mcc.org](mailto:abbyendashaw@mcc.org).

13. Bethel College's **fall choral showcase**, "Bethel Sings," featuring the Concert Choir, Women's Ensemble, Woven and Open Road will take place this afternoon at 4 PM. Daniel and Jerod Kaufman sing in the Concert Choir and Jerod sings in Open Road. NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION TO OUTSIDE ON THE STEPS OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. Bethel's current COVID-19 protocols require physical distancing and mask-wearing indoors regardless of vaccination status.

14. Fri., Nov. 5 – The **Menno Simons Lecture Endowment**, with support from the Reimer-Boese Worship and the Arts Endowment, brings Jan Kraybill, Kansas City, to the Bethel College campus for two lectures on the theme "This is Our Story, This is Our Song: The Power of Music in Community." "The Sound of Science" is at 11 AM in Memorial Hall as part of Bethel's student convocation series. "Music and Memory, Meaning and Mission" is at 7 PM in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

15. Tues., Nov. 9 – **Bethel College's Organ Recital Series** returns in-person with Shirley Sprunger King, D.M.A., 7 p.m. in the Ad Building chapel. Chapel seating will be limited, and there will be a livestream option in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

**Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Give thanks for the generous financial gifts and prayers of WDC congregations and members to support conference ministries of sustaining ministers, resourcing congregations and encouraging church planting.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

Jaden Hostetter, who is serving with MMN and VM Missions, has started a ceramic studio for refugees welcomed by the Quito Mennonite Church in Ecuador. Pray that, through creating art, participants will find a space of healing and community building.

**Mosaic Directory in pews**

Rudy Moyer-Litwiller, Sam Mock, Elijah Stoltzfus, Michelle Moyer-Litwiller in Service Adventure New Mexico, pg 52



We wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to:  
November 2: Aline Bachman

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 1,190.00	\$ 770.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$123,610.77	\$106,886.78
Budget	\$165,158.00	\$163,471.00
Less: expended to date	( 124,071.85)	( 128,076.63)
Less: cash balance	( 8,062.81)	( 8,154.67)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 33,023.34	\$ 27,239.70
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 3,669	\$ 3,027
MCC Meat canning collected to date	\$ 1,200.00	

**Name Change Process**

The Name Change Committee (NCC) presented a proposal to Council on 10/27/21 to change the name of our church to "Eastside Fellowship." Council approved moving forward with testing this name in the congregation and community and holding an informational and storytelling meeting on January 15 and a vote to change the name on January 23 (Annual Meeting). Watch for a detailed proposal and Frequently Asked Questions sheet in your box soon.