West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday School10:30 AM: Morning WorshipVol. LVIIFebruary 20, 2022No. 8Words for silent meditation:Commit your way to the LORD; trust in
him, and he will act. (Psalm 37:5)

Prelude Lighting of the Christ candle Carla Stucky

Pastor Brad Roth

Welcome

The Lord be with you / and also with you.

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 God saves those who take refuge in him.

**Celebrating in song

Build Your Kingdom Here Thy Word Is a Lamp

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

Scripture Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 Wynona Becker Message "Where Are You Living?" Kathy Neufeld Dunn

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

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 The Lord Your God Is with You

**Benediction

**Postlude

Greeter(s): Jim & Joanne Stucky

Welcome and thank you to Kathy Neufeld Dunn, our Conference Minister, for bringing the word to us today!

Services are livestreamed on the West Zion Facebook page Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org Streaming license # 20084674 OneLicense #A-738752

Sunday, February 27, 2022

9:00 -9:45 AM: "Lamenting Racism" Discussion		
10:00 AM: Prayer in Conf Room	10:30 AM: Worship Service	
Message: Pastor Brad	Accompanist: Donna Stucky	
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad	Scripture: Erin Kelley	
Greeter(s): Ken Stucky	Singers: Carolyn & Lory	

Coming Events

Feb. 23:	Meals and MYM 5:45-7:00 pm joined by FEWZ/Jr
Feb. 26:	FEWZ serve meal at Christian Soup Ministry 1 pm,
	bring donated supplies to WZ kitchen by 10 AM
Feb. 27:	"Lamenting Racism" Discussion 9-9:45 AM, Prayer 10
Feb. 23:	Meals and MYM 5:45-7:00 pm joined by FEWZ/Jr
March 2:	Meals and MYM 5:45-7:00 pm joined by FEWZ/Jr
	7:00 PM, Ash Wednesday Service
March 9:	LAST meal & MYM
March 26:	Verenike Making, Hillsboro
April 2:	Bohnne Berroggi making, Moundridge
April 8-9:	MCC Relief Sale in Hutchinson, KS
April 9:	Run for Relief at 8:00 am at Rice Park in Hutchinson
April 14:	Maundy Thursday
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April 17: Easter Sunday

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

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West Zion Announcements

Please have all bulletin announcements to the office by Thur. noon.

1. We **welcome Kathy Neufeld Dunn,** our Conference Minister, as she comes to bring the word today!

2. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2. Lent is a season of renunciation, a call to prepare ourselves to share in the new life of Easter. Pastor Brad will be preaching from the Scriptures on God's call to us to prepare our hearts through spiritual disciplines. Consider how you can practice what we'll be learning and deepen your walk with Jesus!

3. During the season of Lent (first Sunday March 6), Mission Team will print a "**neighboring challenge**" in the bulletin. The idea is to help us discover ways to connect with and care for our community. **Easter is a great time to invite someone new to worship**!

4. **Pablo is raising money for Cradle to Crayons daycare** by selling Kansas Maid Frozen pastries. Funds will be used to make needed repairs to the foundation of the building. Pastries are \$15 each. Make checks out to "Cradle to Crayons." Don't need more pastry in your life? Donations are also accepted!

5. The **FEWZ Youth Group** will be preparing and serving a meal at the Christian Soup Ministry in Hutch on Saturday, Feb. 26. We could use your help with providing the food. Find the **neon green sheet to sign-up** in the foyer. Bring donated items to the West Zion kitchen by 10:00 am on Saturday morning, Feb. 26. Call Derek King with any questions, 717-201-1147. Thank you for your continued support of our youth!

6. Join Pastor Brad for a discussion of the Herald Press video series "Lamenting Racism," Sunday mornings 9:00-9:45 AM, February 27 -April 10. "Lamenting Racism" applies the Bible to the challenge of racism in America and opens space for self-reflection. Racism is a challenging topic for our times, but one worth wrestling with.

General Announcements

7. First Mennonite Church of Halstead will be hosting their annual **Verenike Supper** this year on Feb. 26 from 4-7pm. This will be a drive-thru supper at the church. Verenike, ham gravy, sausage, a pickle, and a cookie will be served. The donation proceeds will benefit

Safe Hope, New Hope Shelter, and the Kansas MCC Relief Sale. Safe Hope provides domestic and sexual violence advocacy services to Harvey and surrounding counties. New Hope Shelter serves homeless men, women, and children in Harvey and surrounding counties. First Mennonite Church is located at 427 W 4th Street.

8. All are welcome to join the fun at 14th annual **MCC Comforter Blitz** on March 7, 8 and 9 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, KS. Times are Monday and Tuesday 9-5, and Wednesday 9-4. Come and have a good time while helping others. No sewing skills required. Lunch is available by donation or you may bring your own sack lunch. You can bring snacks to share. Masks are highly encouraged and plan to practice social distancing. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC to send quilts all around the world. For questions, contact MCC Central States at 316-283-2720, or check Facebook Page, "MCC Comforter Blitz for Kansas".

9. Whitestone Mennonite (629 Crescent Dr in Hesston) is inviting you to a **come and go "comforter knotting"** event on Feb. 25 from 9:30 am to 8 pm and on Feb. 26 from 9:30 am to 3 pm. The Resource Center is overflowing with comforter tops that need completed by spring. If you can use a needle and tie a knot, you can help! Face masks are encouraged. Bring your own beverage if desired. Grab-n-go snacks will be available. Call Judy Reimer at 620-327-4765 for questions.

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 11,120.00	\$ 1,930.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 30,956.04	\$ 37,226.59
Budget	\$157,300.00	\$165,158.00
Less: expended to date	(12,781.26)	(15,811.35)
Less: cash balance	<u>(22,943.73)</u>	<u>(28,180.85)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$121,575.01	\$121,165.80
Avg. offering per Sunday needed		
to meet budget	\$ 2,702	\$ 2,693

MCC RELIEF SALE AT KS STATE FAIRGROUNDS April 8-9, 2022 <u>kansas.mccsale.org</u> Like on Facebook Contacts for West Zion: Mike and Connie Kaufman

The Sale's purpose is to **raise funds for Mennonite Central Committee**. We call upon our churches to donate toward the sale budget so that every dollar raised at the sale is donated to MCC. We call upon quilters to complete their quilts and to gather extra supplies to donate to Quilters' Corner. Consider donating items to the General, Silent and even our Kid's Auction. Donate house plants and start vegetable plants to sell at Plants &Things and tea towel sets completed for Kansas Crafts. Challenge yourself to participate in the Run for Relief, a 5K run/walk the Saturday of the sale and spend the winter months gathering your pledges.

Note the **quilt** hanging above the steps going down to the basement at West Zion. This beautiful quilt has been worked on by various West Zion women and will be donated to the Relief Sale.

Coins needed for the Coins Count offering! Bring your coins up to the front during offering each Sunday morning to put in the jug. Cash is welcome as well!

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale **Quilter's Corner**: Quilting donations are welcome and needed i.e. quilting fabrics, quilting supplies, vintage linens, unfinished quilting projects, etc. Donations may be taken to the MCC Center with the indication that they are for Quilters' Corner. If you have questions contact Ann Yoder Smith, 919-604-3282, rws.ays@gmail.com.

West Zion Prayer

Bonnie and the Kaufman family at the passing of Bonnie's brother, Clarence Schroeder, in Idaho.

Thankful that Braxton's surgery went well in Boston (Braxton is Rosanne's grandson).

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC congregations in pastoral transition, and for all congregational leaders and ministry candidates as they seek the Holy Spirit's guidance.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Deb Byler, who is serving with Mennonite Mission Network, and the women leaders of the Kekchi Mennonite Church in Guatemala have resumed their ministries after more than a year of COVID-19 restrictions. Pray for their safety in travel, spirit-inspired teaching and healing from traumas that many of the women have experienced.

Mosaic Directory in pews Grace Community Church in South Africa, pg 11



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to: February 22: Terry Kessler February 24: Kirk Stucky