

## West Zion Mennonite Church

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

Vol. LVII                      April 3, 2022                      No. 14

### *LENT 5*

Words for silent meditation: *Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. (Psalm 126:6)*

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 126  
When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

**Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy**

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

***Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.***

**\*\*Celebrating in song**

*For the Fruit of All Creation  
Christ, Be All around Me*

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

Scripture                      John 12:1-8                      Brian Bretz

Message                      "She Bought It, She Broke It"                      Pastor Brad

Extinguishing the cross candle  
*Each week we will extinguish a candle on the altar cross to mark our journey with Christ toward the darkness of the crucifixion. The final candle will be extinguished at our Maundy Thursday service on April 14.*

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

## Song for Meditation

Doxology (words on screen)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (*Raise your hand, and we'll bring the mic to you. You can also communicate joys and concerns to Pastor Brad ahead of time, text them to him: 620-386-4838 or if you're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar.*)

Prayers of the People

\*\*Sending Song                      *The Lord Lift You Up*

\*\*Benediction

\*\*Postlude

Greeter(s): Kirk & Carla Stucky

## Sermon Notes

She Bought It, She Broke It  
John 12:1-8

### Theme

God calls us to spend our money for his purposes.

### Key Verse

(John 12:3) Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

### Notes

### A Question

Are there areas of your life where you struggle to see your money as God's money? Why do you think that is?

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

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## **Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022**

**9:00-9:45 AM:** "Lamenting Racism" Discussion (final session)

**10:00 AM:** Prayer in Conf Room      **10:30 AM:** Worship Service

**Message:** Pastor Brad      **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

**Worship Leader:** Pastor Brad      **Scripture:** Carla Stucky

**Greeter(s):** Sharon Gehring

**6:30 PM:** Palm Sunday service at Pack Park

### **Coming Events**

Today:            6:00 PM Prayer  
                      7:00 PM Evangelism workshop

April 6:            6:30 PM Children's Choir practice

April 7:            1:00 PM Baking for MCC Sale at West Zion

April 8-9:          MCC Relief Sale in Hutchinson, KS

April 9:            Run for Relief at 8:00 am at Rice Park in Hutchinson

April 10:           6:30 PM Palm Sunday scripture & prayer service at Pack Park

April 12-15:       12-12:30 PM Daily prayer through Zoom

April 13:           6:30 PM Children's Choir practice

April 14:           5:30 PM Maundy Thursday – soup and bread meal, communion, foot washing in Fellowship Hall

April 17:           6:45 AM – Sunrise service @ Russ Stucky's pasture by Black Kettle State Fishing Lake  
                      7:30ish AM – Easter breakfast at West Zion  
                      10-12 PM – Photo booth open

April 29:           Bloodmobile at WZ

May 11:            Women's salad supper

**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](mailto:bradroth@westzionmc.org)

#### **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. **Easter lilies** can be ordered to decorate the sanctuary in Honor of and/or in Memory of a loved one on Easter morning. One lily will cost \$16. Notify Carla at 620-386-0414 by Monday, April 4 if you would like to order one.

2. **We have printed postcards highlighting our Easter worship service**, including the photographer. Take a few to use as a way to invite friends and neighbors!

3. **Join us Tuesday-Friday, April 12-15, 12:00-12:30 PM during Holy Week for daily prayer.** Follow this Zoom link to gather for a half hour of prayer focused on preparing our hearts in holiness and asking God to bring newcomers to share in the joy of Christ's resurrection. Even if you can't log on, we invite you to be united in prayer during that time. Zoom link:  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79746893434?pwd=nuJGW4ofq4TKuz00sQzjqjEesCzlqb.1>

4. **Join us tonight, April 3, for a time of prayer and an Evangelism Workshop with Rachel Bachman!**

- 6:00-6:30 PM - Prayer meeting in the Conference Room
- 7:00-8:00 PM Evangelism Workshop w/ Rachel Bachman

Rachel Bachman of Hesston will lead us in an engaging time of thinking through our sphere of influence for the kingdom and developing practical skills for sharing our faith. Rachel and her family are members at Whitestone. Her son attends Bethel College and her daughter is a student at Berean. Rachel works for Big Brother, Big Sister. Says Rachel, "I just want to give away the love of the Lord because of what he's done for me."



5. **Change in yearbook:** Kathi Becker's email is now [klbecker0436@gmail.com](mailto:klbecker0436@gmail.com). Please make this change in your yearbook.

6. Are you passionate about connecting children to the love of Christ? Our community **Vacation Bible School program** is looking to assemble a steering committee and find a director for summer 2022. Interested? Talk to Pastor Brad.

7. **Green Heart Exchange** is looking for host families for foreign exchange students, including three students from the Ukraine. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Perrin at 620-654-3595. More info is on the back table.

8. Christian Homemakers will be **baking for the MCC Relief Sale** on Thursday, April 7 beginning at 1:00 PM. A sign-up sheet for ingredients is on a table in the back of the church.

9. **Get a quick Easter picture!** Mission Team has hired a professional photographer to set up a photo booth to take quick, fun Easter pictures from 10:00-12:00. (WZ folks: We recommend that if you want a picture that you try to get yours before worship to leave space for guests to get theirs after worship.)

## General Announcements

10. **No help needed:** The Kansas Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) has been responding to the Cottonwood Complex Fire in Reno County Kansas and have completed 17 jobs of clearing debris from homes that were a total loss in the fire. We are concluding the clean up phase of the disaster response soon. Thanks to all of the volunteers who responded with equipment and labor in this project,

11. You are invited to attend the **"Getting Ahead" Graduation** for STEPNC. This is a night of inspiration and hope as we celebrate people working to overcome poverty! The graduation will be held on Monday, April 11 at First Mennonite Church of Christian in Moundridge at 6:00 pm. All are invited to come and see what STEPNC is about and stay for the reception following the program.

12. **Bethel College Events** can be found in the back of the sanctuary.

13. **Everence®** will hold an informative Social Security and retirement income webinar on Tuesday, April 12, starting at 6:30 p.m. Specifics will include, Social Security strategies, including when to begin taking benefits, risks that can impact your retirement savings plus strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. There will also be plenty of time for questions. Information will be presented by staff from the Everence offices in Central Kansas. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).

14. The two-part **Beginner's Quilt Piecing Class** on May 6 and 13 has been postponed.

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 8,186.57	\$ 1,585.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 59,082.43	\$ 52,694.76
Budget	\$157,300.00	\$165,158.00
Less: expended to date	( 32,639.30)	( 35,119.35)
Less: cash balance	( 31,213.48)	( 24,343.00)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 93,447.22	\$105,695.65
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,396	\$ 2,710

**MCC RELIEF SALE AT KS STATE FAIRGROUNDS**  
**April 8-9, 2022**      [kansas.mccsale.org](http://kansas.mccsale.org)  
**Contact: Connie Kaufman**

**Coins needed** for the Coins Count offering! Bring your coins up to the front during offering each Sunday morning to put in the jug.

Mateo Roth is raising funds for **Run for Relief!** Talk to him if you would like to sponsor his run.

**Needed:** All pie bakers. Our church has been asked to make 20 pies for the MCC Sale. Rhubarb combinations, berry combinations, mulberry, apricot, peach, raisin, pecan, sugar free, apple, and cherry! We have also been assigned 10 dozen zwieback. Sign up at the back of the church and pick up your pie tins/bags. Pies and zwieback need to be at the church on Saturday morning, April 9, by 7:30 a.m.

**Wanting to help?** Check out the Kansas MCC Sale website and click on the volunteer tab to check out all the opportunities. If you need assistance with getting signed up, see Connie Kaufman after church and she will help you navigate the website.

**MCC Quilt Book is online.** To find our West Zion quilt, go to the Kansas MCC Sale website. Click on auctions. Click on Quilt auction, 2022 Quilt gallery. West Zion Quilt is Letter J. You should be able to view all the quilts at this location. The West Zion quilt will sell at 12:00 on Saturday April 9. Enjoy and happy shopping.

**West Zion Prayers**

Hope, figuring out next steps after a cancer diagnosis  
 Gerry's nephew Kent and family  
 Wynona's granddaughter Heidi taking care of twin babies and a 3-year-old  
 Randy, recovering after a short hospital stay  
 Prayers for the Lowrance family, formerly of Goessel, as they grieve over the life of their 17-year-old daughter and sister, Hailey.  
 Adrian, grandson of Tracy Duffman.  
 Tracy, dealing with extreme blood sugar highs.

**Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Pray for WDC's Israel-Palestine Relations Task Force, as they host a zoom conversation with Jonathan Kuttub and seek to raise awareness and deepen understanding of pathways toward justice and peace.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

Tomorrow, Eastern Mennonite High School students will conclude their week-long MMN civil rights tour through the Youth Venture program. Pray for participants as they apply their new perspectives to the injustice in their home communities and congregations. Pray also for participants in Youth Venture's two July civil rights tours and an immigration/borderlands tour. Application deadline is May 1.

**Mosaic Directory in pews**

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We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:  
 April 4: Clark Graber  
 April 6: Zettie Wedel  
 April 9: Gene Bachman

*During the season of Lent, Mission Team invites you to get to know your community. Each week, we're proposing a neighboring experiment. Neighboring experiments are opportunities for you to connect with your neighbors and build community. Easter (April 17) is also a great time to invite new folks to join us for worship, and neighboring experiments can help lay the groundwork for that invitation!*

**This week's neighboring experiment:**  
*Start up a conversation with someone new in your weekly routine.*