

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. (Psalm 16:8)*

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, Psalm 16
You are my inheritance, Lord.

****Celebrating in song**

*10,000 Reasons
You Are My All in All*

Children's Church (4-yrs old to 4th grade) offered at this time.

Scripture Romans 12:1-8 Joanne Stucky

Message "Humble Grace" Pastor Brad

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

Song for Meditation

Celebrating 60 years of Donna Stucky playing at West Zion!

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 Your God Is with You*

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

Greeter(s): Geneva Wedel

Sermon Notes

Humble Grace
Romans 12:1-8

Theme

To be humble is to recognize God's grace.

Key Verse

(Romans 12:3) For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.

Notes

A Question

Where are places in your life where you need to humbly claim God's special grace to you?

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

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Sunday, July 3, 2022

10:30 AM: Worship Service **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Message: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Sharon Gehring
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Greeter(s):** Kirk & Carla Stucky

Coming Events

Today: Celebrate 60 years of playing for Donna Stucky
 Noon FEWZ youth fundraiser meal at Eden Mennonite
 7:00 pm: Movie night "I Can Only Imagine"
July 1: 6:00 pm: Craft night at WZ
July 2-8: FEWZ Youth Group to Brownsville, TX
July 13-15: Vacation Bible School at West Zion
July 16: Pool party for VBS kids sponsored by West Zion
July 17: Worship service held outside
July 21: Poverty Simulation at United Methodist in McPherson
July 29-31: WDC Annual Assembly in Texas

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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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. We're launching a **new sermon series** called "How to Live." The series is based on Romans 12 and will run through mid-July. Each week, we'll look at the Apostle Paul's advice on how to live the good and abundant life with Jesus. Invite a friend! Challenge yourself to memorize Romans 12:1-2!
2. Today we're **celebrating 60 years** of Donna Stucky playing at West Zion!
3. All are invited to **Eden Mennonite today following worship** for a lunch prepared and served by the FEWZ Youth Group. This will be a fundraiser for their upcoming July 2-8 trip to Brownsville, TX. Checks can be made to Eden Mennonite with FEWZ in the memo. Please keep the group in your prayers.
4. Come enjoy a **movie night** at West Zion tonight at 7:00 pm! The movie "I Can Only Imagine" will be featured in the sanctuary. Popcorn, refreshments, and fellowship will follow downstairs. This movie is rated PG and is an inspiring, true story about the power of forgiveness, based on the life of Bart Millard, lead singer of MercyMe.
5. Following the passage of the "Repentance and Transformation Resolution" at the May 29 Mennonite Church USA delegate session in Kansas City, our **deacons and council have been discussing** what our next steps will be. Council has decided to hold off paying our quarterly benevolence to MCUSA until we have a better sense of what we want to do. If you have questions, talk to Pastor Brad or one of our deacons—Carla Stucky, Sharon Gehring, Will Kaufman.
6. The Kansas City **delegate assembly is over** and decisions have been made. What has changed? What does it mean for my conference, my congregation and me? MCUSA will hold a webinar on July 18 at 6:00 PM to address some of these questions. To sign up for this Zoom conversation, go to the following link: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate-session-22/#resources> and click on *Webinar/Special Session of the Delegate Assembly: What Now?*

7. A **craft night** will be held on Friday, July 1 beginning at 6:00 pm in the basement. Bring any type of craft or fun project you are working on, or just come hang out and visit. See you there!

8. **The WDC Annual Assembly will be held July 29-31, 2022.** This will be a "hybrid" event - some workshops will be only virtual, other parts will be only on-site. Worship and the Delegate Session will be hybrid with people on-site and virtual sharing together. Our on-site venue is Camp Copass, Denton, TX. Geneva Wedel will be attending as our West Zion delegate. More information and registration is online: <https://mennowdc.org/2022-annual-assembly-registration/>

9. Mark your calendars for **Moundridge community VBS, July 13-15 at our church!** Kristin Kaufman of Eden is directing. Contact Ellen Kaufman if you would be willing to volunteer in some way.

General Announcements

10. **Easy way to give!** Do you want an easy way to donate to help cover Western District Conference (WDC) Annual Assembly expenses? Simply text 316-320-0787, then click the "Fund" dropdown menu and choose "Assembly Contributions." We are grateful for any gifts toward this important annual gathering. Thank you for your support!

11. **Life Enrichment returns to Bethel College with the start of the fall 2022 semester** – but it will be **on a different day**. Life Enrichment resumes **Thursday**, Aug. 25, and will be on Thursdays thereafter. Place and time remain the same: Krehbiel Auditorium, 9:30 a.m. See <https://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/life-enrichment> for more information, and look for a brochure coming later this summer.

12. **Bethel College's Prison Theater Project is currently in process**, with director John McCabe-Juhnke, Bethel students and seven men from the Hutchinson Correctional Facility minimum-security East Unit. The public performance at HCF is Friday, July 1, 7 p.m., and the project is looking for an audience! If you'd like to go, contact Offender-Victim Ministries in Newton at 316-283-2038 (Mon.-Thurs.) by June 23.

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 940.00	\$ 1,830.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 81,707.96	\$ 85,717.60
Budget	\$157,300.00	\$165,158.00
Less: expended to date	(58,638.01)	(65,278.96)
Less: cash balance	<u>(27,876.39)</u>	<u>(27,218.15)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 70,785.60	\$ 72,660.89
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,622	\$ 2,691



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:
 June 28: Frances Neufeld
 June 29: Harvey Thiessen
 July 2: Nile Burge, Anna Wagoner

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:
 June 27: Jay & Vicky Kessler

West Zion Prayers

Family of Deb Graber Kelso, Rachel’s aunt, who died this week.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

As we celebrate Pentecost this month, join the Church Planting Commission in praying for WDC congregations to be empowered by the Holy Spirit to explore new initiatives energizing and promoting the mission and vision of Jesus’ Kingdom of God. May each congregation be alert to their own unique opportunities and assets inviting new possibilities for discipleship, evangelism, mission, and outreach.
 AMEN – Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Gordon McDade, Karen Sethuraman and Patricia Whitestone, community chaplains with Soul Space, an organization that walks alongside peacemakers in Belfast, Northern Ireland, a city fractured by partisan conflict. Pray for Gordon, Karen and Patricia as they offer hospitable spaces where people can process the traumas they have experienced.

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David & Rebekka Stutzman in Mannheim, Germany, pg 23

Each week through August 28, we’re uniting in prayer around a common theme. We’re calling it the “Prayer Garden,” and you can find the week’s focus in the planter in the foyer and here in the bulletin. Let’s join together to ask that God’s power be unleashed in our congregation and community through prayer!

Pray for the FEWZ youth group traveling to south Texas next Saturday, July 2! Today after church they’re hosting a meal at Eden to raise money for their trip.