

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever (Psalm 136:1).*

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, Psalm 136 (words on screen)

****Celebrating in song**

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High
My Life Flows On*

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

Scripture Romans 12:1-10 Sharon Gehring

Message "Wide from Deep" Pastor Brad

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

Song for Meditation

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 *We Are One in the Spirit*

**Benediction

**Postlude

Greeter(s): Kirk & Carla Stucky

Sermon Notes

Wide from Deep
Romans 12:1-10

Theme
Love as yourself.

Key Verse
(Romans 12:9) Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

Notes

A Question

How has God made you to love? Are you living that out?

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

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Sunday, July 10, 2022

10:30 AM: Worship Service **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Message: Pastor Brad **Scripture:** Connie Graber
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad **Greeter(s):** Jan Dyck
6:00-8:00 pm: Decorate for VBS

Coming Events

July 2-8: FEWZ Youth Group to Brownsville, TX
July 10: 6:00-8:00 pm: Decorate for VBS
July 11: 7:00 pm: VBS meeting
July 13-15: 6:00-8:30 pm: Vacation Bible School at West Zion
July 16: 7:00-9:00 pm: 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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West Zion Announcements

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

1. 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. *A sign-up sheet for supplies needed can be found in the foyer, check it out!*
2. 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!
3. Thanks so much for **all the help** in making our FEWZ fundraiser go so well. We made over \$3,000 which takes us over the top for covering the Texas trip expenses and sets us up well for next year. For those interested, you can follow updates on the trip through Facebook group "FEWZ in Texas." – Derek King & Kristin Kaufman, FEWZ sponsors
4. A letter with **updates and prayer requests** from our missionary partners, the Larsons, can be found on the foyer board.
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. **Could you survive in poverty?**: STEP MC will sponsor a poverty simulation at 6:00 PM on July 21 at First United Methodist Church (1200 E Kansas Ave) in McPherson). Have you ever judged someone in poverty? Ever wonder what it's like to live in poverty? Do you think YOU could survive one month? You're invited to join us for a free poverty simulation. Each participant will role-play a person experiencing survival mode for one month, simulated in 15-minute weeks. The result is a better understanding of why families in poverty do the things they do. We hope you'll join us! More info at: <https://stepmc.breezechms.com/form/2e1456>.

General Announcements

8. The 2022 issue of **Mennonite Life**, Bethel College's annual online journal, is now live at ml@bethelks.edu with articles and reviews by Daniel Shank Cruz, Chris Dick, June Mears Driedger, Susan Kennel Harrison, Raylene Hinz-Penner, Gordon Houser, Reinhild K. Janzen, Gayle Gerber Koontz, Steve Nolt, Rachel Pannabecker, Karen Reimer, Ben Woodward-Breckbill and Melanie Zuercher.
9. **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!
10. **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.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 3,340.00	\$ 685.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 85,047.96	\$ 86,402.60
Budget	\$157,300.00	\$165,158.00
Less: expended to date	(62,206.95)	(77,076.03)
Less: cash balance	<u>(26,647.45)</u>	<u>(16,182.54)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 67,445.60	\$ 71,899.43
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,594	\$ 2,765



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

July 6: Andrew Azzarito

July 7: Vicky Kessler

West Zion Prayers

Gerry, traveling in Pennsylvania.

Sharon’s friends the Yost family as they mourn the loss of their husband and father and make plans to return his body from Burundi to the US.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for WDC members and others participating on-site or virtually in Mennonite World Conference Assembly in Indonesia this week, and for God’s blessing on this time of worship, fellowship, and witness of the global Anabaptist community.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Mennonite Mission Network’s week-long Youth Venture civil rights learning tour begins today. Pray for the 23 participants as they focus on the realities of racial injustice in the United States, both in the past and the present.

Mosaic Directory

Naomi Tice in Bammental, 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 staff, counselors, and campers at Camp Mennoscah as kids get out into nature to experience God’s love for them!