

West Zion Mennonite Church

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

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Words for silent meditation: *I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart (Psalm 138:1).*

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Sharon Gehring
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, Psalm 138
Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

**Celebrating in song

HWB 16 God Is Here among Us
HWB 14 Come, We That Love the Lord

Scripture Matthew 20:1-16 Mike Kaufman

Message Pastor Kathy Neufeld Dunn
"That's Not Fair!"

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 Sharon Gehrig ahead of time, text to 620-386-0379 or if you're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar.*)

Prayers of the People

**Sending Song *STJ 73 The Lord Lift You Up*

**Benediction

**Postlude

Greeter(s): Mike & Connie Kaufman

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

Services are livestreamed on the West Zion Facebook page

Sermons are online @ westzionmc.org

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Sunday, July 31, 2022

10:30 AM: Worship Service **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

Message: Kurt Horst **Scripture:** Leon Guhr

Worship Leader: Carla Stucky **Greeter(s):** Clark & Connie Graber

Coming Events

July 29-31: WDC Annual Assembly in Texas

August 6: 6:00-12:00 pm: Craft night at WZ

August 21: Noon meal and Listening meeting

Sept. 2: 6:00-12:00 pm: Craft night at WZ

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 Prayers

The Roth family traveling in Maryland and Peru.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for the WDC Annual Assembly next weekend at Camp Copass near Denton, TX, that in this gathering God will encourage and strengthen WDC congregations through the assembly theme, "United in Purpose, Together in Love."

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Alisha and Josh Garber, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, are currently based in Phoenix, Arizona, where they are engaged in North American ministry. Pray for a time of spiritual and physical renewal, as the Garbers visit family, friends and supporting congregations. Pray for them, also, as they discern what God is calling them to next.

Mosaic Directory

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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 Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Mission Network, that they would faithfully lead our denomination in extending the good news of Jesus in our world.



We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:
July 27: Mike Kaufman

We wish a "**Happy Anniversary**" to:
July 25: Mark & Donna Stucky

West Zion Announcements

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

1. **Pastor Brad** will be traveling to speak at a conference July 22-25 and then on a family trip to Peru July 29-August 8. Kathy Neufeld Dunn, Kurt Horst, and Sara Dick (of the Newton Et Cetera Shop) will speak those Sundays. For pastoral needs, contact a deacon (Carla Stucky, Will Kaufman, Sharon Gehring).
2. There will be **no children's church** July 23-August 8.
3. A **Listening Meeting** has been scheduled by the Deacons for Sunday, August 21 following a light meal. This will be a time to bring concerns, questions, and thoughts about the recent MCUSA resolution vote in May. A brief report on the special assembly will be given followed by a time for discussion.
4. **Craft night** will happen again on Friday, August 5 from 6:00 pm until midnight in Fellowship Hall at West Zion. Bring whatever craft or project you might be working on or would like to begin. Come and go as needed. We meet in Fellowship Hall and have plenty of space to spread out! Craft night will happen on first Fridays so mark your calendars.
5. **Yearbook change:** Ken Stucky has moved to a different Krehbiel apartment at Pine Village and his new apartment is #3.
6. Geneva Wedel will be traveling to the **WDC Annual Assembly** in Texas as our West Zion delegate. Please keep Geneva, this assembly, and travel in prayer.

General Announcements

7. **Pine Village Variety Show** and ice cream social will be held this evening at 6:00 PM in the Wellness Center. All are invited to attend! A free will donation is appreciated.
8. **MCC webinar** on creative housing solutions for refugees and asylum seekers: When refugees and asylum seekers arrive in the U.S., the first thing they need is a safe place to call home. Join MCC on Tuesday, July 26 at 1:00 p.m. CDT to learn about different ways the faith community has partnered with refugees, asylum seekers and

organizations that serve them to offer creative housing solutions. Learn more and register at <https://mcc.org/webinar-housing-solutions>.

9. **Conflict is a normal part of life but learning how to work through it is key.** MCC has a resource to help you work through divisive issues, a new adult Sunday school curriculum, [Peaceful Practices: A guide to healthy communication in conflict](#). It invites churchgoers to follow Jesus' call to peacemaking through dialogue with each other.

10. **MCC School Kit season is right around the corner!** MCC is working to fulfill requests for school kits from partner organizations. Here are some things to keep in mind when making school kits this year:

- Sewn school kit bags may be requested from the MCC Material Resources Center if needed.
- MCC in North Newton has a large supply of pink erasers, so feel free to skip erasers and they'll be added later.
- The pencil sharpeners need to be metal, not plastic.
- You can [find the directions for school kits at mcc.org](#), or reach out to Kate at katemast@mcc.org or 316.283.2720 with any questions.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 2,060.00	\$ 1,467.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 88,696.96	\$ 93,502.70
Budget	\$157,300.00	\$165,158.00
Less: expended to date	(68,347.28)	(82,438.38)
Less: cash balance	(25,158.42)	(19,408.29)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 63,794.30	\$ 63,311.33
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,774	\$ 2,753