

## 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 (Psalm 107:1).*

Prelude                      Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome                      Carla Stucky  
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship, *from Psalm 107*

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**The Lord delivered them and led them by a straight way.**

The Lord satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

**Let those who are wise consider the steadfast love of the Lord.**

**\*\*Celebrating in song**

*HWB 11 Sweet hour of prayer*

*HWB 582 Guide Me O, Thou Great Jehovah*

Scripture                      John 5:1-15                      Leon Guhr

Message                      "Doing What Jesus Says to Do"                      Pastor Kurt Horst

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 Carla*

*Stucky ahead of time by texting 620-386-0414 or if you're watching online, write in Facebook comment bar).*

Prayers of the People

**\*\*Sending Song**    *HWB 428 Lord, Let Us Now Depart in Peace*

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

Greeter(s): Clark & Connie Graber

*Welcome and thank you to Kurt Horst for bringing the message this morning! Pastor Kurt comes to us from Yoder, KS, having retired and moved there from Hesston where he was pastor of the Whitestone Mennonite Church for nine years. In June Kurt completed an interim assignment at First Mennonite Church in Newton and has been spending time doing construction and maintenance as part of a family business. His wife, Elaine, reduced her hours at Partners in Family Care and they have enjoyed having a little more time to travel! Kurt and Elaine have three children and eight grandchildren, three of whom live in Moundridge (their daughter is Becky King, married to Derek King who is pastor at Eden Mennonite Church).*

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## West Zion Announcements

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

1. **Pastor Brad** and family are in Peru July 29-August 8. Kurt Horst will preach this morning and Sara Dick (of the Newton Et Cetera Shop) will speak on August 7. For pastoral needs, contact a deacon (Carla Stucky, Will Kaufman, Sharon Gehring).

2. Carla Stucky will be gone on vacation August 4-10 and the **announcement deadline for the August 7 bulletin** will be Wednesday, August 3 at noon.

3. **During the month of August we're gathering classroom supplies for Moundridge Middle School!** There will be a box in the foyer for the supplies. We'll wrap up the drive on 8/28 when we celebrate Back to School Sunday! Here's what the school is looking for:

- Expo Dry Erase Markers (black-thick point)
- 12" rulers with Metric measurements (wood preferred no flex rulers)
- 4/pack of Expo Dry Erase Marker (thick tip multi color pack)
- boxes of Kleenex
- classroom set of headphones —over the head type (the school is looking for 8 sets of 25)-- similar to this picture.



4. There will be **no children's church** July 23-August 8.

5. 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.

6. **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.

## General Announcements

7. **Pine Village** is excited to be able to start in-person events! We will be having our annual Benefit Day Bierock Fundraiser on August 19th from 5:30-7:00 pm. We would love for you to join us in person, but if you cannot please consider pre-ordering Bierocks by the half dozen for \$20 or dozen for \$35. A pre-order form will need to be turned in by Wednesday, August 10th to Pine Village. Pre-order pick up will be on August 19th from 3-6pm. Thank you for your support!

8. **Everence** will hold its popular Medicare workshop at its office in North Newton on Tuesday, Aug 9 at 6:30 p.m. Topics will include, when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare covers, plus an explanation of Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D. The in-person workshop will be held at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. Those interested in attending should contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).

9. Sat., Aug. 6 – Kauffman Museum **first-Saturday bird walk**, 7 a.m. start time in the museum parking lot at the corner of Main and 27th streets in North Newton. Experienced birders lead a walk of 1-1.5 hours in Chisholm Park and on Sand Creek Trail (terrain is mostly wood-chip path and sometimes uneven/sloping).

### **BUDGET SUMMARY**

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 1,395.25	\$ 1,108.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 90,092.21	\$ 94,610.70
Budget	\$157,300.00	\$165,158.00
Less: expended to date	( 71,759.65)	( 86,295.00)
Less: cash balance	( 23,141.30)	( 16,659.67)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 62,399.05	\$ 62,203.33
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,836	\$ 2,827

### **West Zion Prayers**

The Roth family traveling and visiting family in Peru.

### **Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Join the Church Planting Commission in praying for WDC congregations to discover new opportunities for bringing healing and hope in their ministry contexts, according to the vision Jesus proclaimed of God's kingdom. Likewise, that God would strengthen or create new connections between older congregations and newer congregations and church plants, so that we may learn from one another. – Pastor Caleb Yoder

### **Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Freddy Barrón and Margrit Kipfer Barrón, as they mentor leaders and support church plants in the Bolivia Mennonite Church. Pray for Freddy as he pastors a congregation and Margrit as she coordinates Christian education for the denomination.

### **Mosaic Directory**

Soul Space, a community chaplain program in Northern Ireland, pg 25

*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!*

**Western District Conference gathering for our Annual Assembly at Camp Copass in Texas, and for Geneva serving as our delegate.**



We wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to:  
August 3: Janice Dyck

We wish a **"Happy Anniversary"** to:  
August 4: Carl & Tracy Duffman  
August 5: Dave & Zettie Wedel

