West Zion Mennonite Church

9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM: Morning Worship Vol. LVII October 2, 2022 No. 38

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Words for silent meditation: Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him (Psalm 37:7)

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 37:1-7

Trust in the LORD, and do good;

so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

Take delight in the LORD.

He will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD.

Trust in him, and he will act.

Be still before the LORD.

Wait patiently for him

Confession and assurance

**Celebrating in song

10,000 Reasons We Praise Thee. O God

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

Scripture Luke 24:13-35 Ellen Kaufman

Message "In the Breaking of the Bread" 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 Gathering at the Lord's Table (words on screen)

**Sending Song Sent Forth by God's blessing

**Benediction

**Postlude

Greeter(s): Dave & Zettie Wedel

Today, on World Communion Sunday, we're focusing on the church in Ukraine. Reports since the Russian invasion tell a story of Christians fleeing the war, and churches, seminaries, and offices being damaged or shut down in the fighting. There are also glimmers of hope, as Christians rally to help refugees and deliver aid. Mennonite Central Committee has been active in Ukraine distributing canned meat, comforters, and health kits. As we come to the Lord's table today, let us remember our suffering brothers and sisters in Christ and pray for peace.

Sermon Notes

In the Breaking of the Bread, Luke 24:13-35

Theme

We meet Jesus at his table.

Key Verse

(Luke 24:35) Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Notes

A Question

Has your experience of meeting Jesus at his table been different from your experience of encountering him in other areas of life?

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

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Sunday, October 9, 2022

9:00-10:00 AM: Sunday School discussion of *The Hunger Inside*10:30 AM: Worship Service Accompanist: Donna Stucky
Message: Joe Miller, MCC Scripture: Joanne Stucky
Worship Leader: Pastor Brad Greeter(s): Geneva Wedel

9-10 am: Discussion of book *The Hunger Inside*

Oct. 5: Wednesday meals & MYM (Tator tot casserole)	
Oct. 7: 6 pm: Craft night at West Zion!	
Oct. 9: 9-10 am: Discussion of book <i>The Hunger Inside</i>	
Oct. 12: Wednesday meals & MYM (pancakes)	
Oct. 13: 7:00 pm: Christian Homemakers meet	
Oct. 16: 9-10 am: Discussion of book <i>The Hunger Inside</i>	
Nov. 10: Christian Homemaker pizza party and work night	
Nov. 13: Meal & Budget meeting, Deacon election	
Nov. 20: 9:30 am: Mission Sunday @ Eden with Tim Amor	of

Today:

Our Mission: God calls us into community to worship God and follow Jesus through the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Summit Street Church, Beatrice, NE

Pastor Brad Roth

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West Zion Announcements

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

- 1. **Pastor Brad** announced to Church Council on September 6 that after many months of intense discernment and prayer, he has decided to resign as pastor of West Zion. The Deacons and Church Council are looking for an interim pastor and working on determining Pastor Brad's last day at West Zion. A farewell will also be planned as details are finalized. We are thankful for his past 10 years of leadership, spiritual guidance, teaching, and countless prayers on our behalf, as well the work and prayers of his family. Continue to keep West Zion, leadership and Pastor Brad and his family in prayer.
- 2. October is Pastor Appreciation month. We invite you to take time to reflect on the ways Pastor Brad and his family have given to West Zion or to your own family/extended family, and show your appreciation through a card, phone call, text, or other ways.
- 3. Next Sunday, **Joe Miller from MCC** will join us to bring the morning message. The Miller family served with Mennonite Central Committee in Budapest, Hungary (behind the Iron Curtain) from 1984 to 1989. Joe was a pastor for 25 years serving three different congregations. The last 12 of those years were as the lead pastor at Mellinger Mennonite Church. Currently, he works 40% as a bishop for the Conestoga River District of LMC and 50% for Mennonite Central Committee. At MCC, Joe works at nurturing and developing MCC's partnerships with the Amish and other Plain groups across the United States and with meat canning committees.
- 4. The **family of Randlyn Kessler** would like to honor her with a card shower for her 90th birthday on October 3. Please send cards to her address 421 E Krehbiel, Moundridge, KS.
- 5. Come bring a craft, project, good book, etc. to our **monthly craft night** on Friday, October 7 at 6:00 pm in our basement. Enjoy time set aside to relax and create! Bring a friend.
- 6. For those interested, there is a **prayer corner** in the Sunday School room on the main floor by the drinking fountain. The invitation is to "Come, all you who are weary" and find rest in the presence of God.

- 7. **All are invited** to attend a retirement barn party for Keith and Connie Schrag from KSI Realty/Insurance on Saturday, Oct. 8 at 6:00 pm at 2122 Apache Rd. More details are on the foyer board.
- 8. **MCC** meat canning will be held on Monday October 24th. Our church is responsible for \$1,100 to buy meat. Please make your check to West Zion and put MCC meat canning in the memo line. There are sign-up sheets to work in the foyer.
- 9. An update from our **missionary partners**, Wayne and Jeannie Larson, as well as prayer requests, can be found on our foyer board.
- 10. The **Annual Budget meeting** will be held following a meal on Sunday, November 13. A new Deacon will be voted on at this meeting.
- 11. Mark your calendars **for Mission Sunday at Eden Mennonite Church**, November 20 @ 9:30 AM! Tim Amor of Summit Street Church (formerly Beatrice Mennonite Church) will speak on neighboring in small town and rural settings. For Sunday School, we're working on putting together a panel with reps from area churches who are trying innovative neighboring experiments. Stick around after church for a fundraiser meal hosted by the FEWZ youth group!
- 12. **Pine Village** is hosting a "Together in Unity" worship service for all sponsoring churches. It will be held outdoors at Pine Village (in the Wellness Center in case of rain) on Sunday, October 16 at 6:00 pm. Donations are welcome in lieu of this year's Anchor Banquet. Come worship, pray and spend time in the Word!
- 13. **Christian Homemakers** are still saving <u>all</u> used cards for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Please put the entire card into the box (for cards) in the library. Our next meeting will be October 13 at 7:00 pm.
- 14. Could God be calling you to **connect with kids for Christ?**Mission Team has been in contact with the Moundridge Elementary School to find ways that our congregation could connect. The Elementary School is looking for folks to be "grandreaders." You would go to school for about 45 minutes once a week to sit with the kids and listen to them as they practice their reading skills. You could also have lunch with the children. The school is also looking for volunteers to help tear pages out of workbooks for the kindergartners.

Interested? Talk to Lory or Crysta from Mission Team or contact the Elementary School directly (620-345-5500)!

General Announcements

- 15. **Nov 6-11: Puerto Rico Peace Camp:** Young adults are invited to join MCC on November 6-11 on the beautiful island of Puerto Rico as we discover new ways to live and proclaim the gospel of peace. This week-long experience will be filled with practical learning about deconstructing oppressive systems and participating in spaces of healing and commitment to hospitality. A minimum of conversational Spanish is expected from all participants. Registration fee is \$200; sign up now at mcc.org/campamento-de-paz.
- 16. **Bethel College's Fall Festival is Oct. 6-9,** with most activities taking place Saturday, Oct. 8, on campus. Features include music, food, class reunions, football, the play *Quiet in the Land*, and the STEM Symposium honoring Professor Emeritus of Psychology Paul Lewis. See https://www.bethelks.edu/alumni/events/fall-festival for the complete schedule.
- 17. Other Bethel College events can be found on the fover board.

West Zion Prayers

Shery, who fell and broke several ribs. She is making progress at home.

Kaleigh, who is struggling with seizures. They're working to figure out a treatment plan.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for God's wisdom and strength for WDC staff members as they work to sustain ministry leaders, resource congregations and nurture church-planting partnerships.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Today, the women's leadership conference led by African American women and co-sponsored by Mennonite Women USA and Mennonite Mission Network, concludes with worship in Elkhart, Indiana. Pray that all participants will receive new tools to work for diversity, equity and inclusion in the church.

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We wish a "Happy Birthday" to: October 3: Randy Kessler