West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

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Prelude Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Connie Kaufman

The Lord be with you / and also with you.

Announcements

Call to Worship

In the beginning, God, you separated the darkness and the light. You called the Light "Day" and the Darkness, you called "Night."

We once dwelt in darkness, but you, God, have given us the true Light, Jesus Christ.

You blessed us, adopted us, and loved us as your own.

You are our light, in you there is no darkness at all.

You call us to walk in the light.

In Your light we find healing and reconciliation; cleansing and nourishment.

The Lord is our light and our salvation – we have nothing to fear!

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Celebrating in song

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise HWB 70
The Lord is my light STJ 97

Scripture Isaiah 42:1-7, 1John 1:5-7 Geneva Wedel

Message "Epiphany: A Light to the Nations" Pastor Kurt

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).

Pastoral Prayer

**Sending Song

This Little Light of Mine

**Benediction

**Postlude

**please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Ken Stucky

Pastor Kurt

Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023

10:30 AM: Worship Service Accompanist: Donna Stucky Message: Pastor Brett Klingenberg Scripture: Wynona Becker

Worship Leader: Geneva Wedel Greeter(s): Dave & Zettie Wedel

Coming Events

Jan. 9: 7:00 PM: Church Council

Jan 18: Wednesday meals & MYM begin

Jan. 22: Meal and Annual Meeting

Jan. 25: Meal & MYM
Feb. 1: Meal & MYM
Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday

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

Interim Pastor Kurt Horst

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West Zion Announcements

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

- 1. Welcome to Pastor Kurt Horst! He officially began his interim pastoral ministry here at West Zion on Monday, January 2! He will be at the office on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. His email and cell phone are listed in the box under "Coming Events."
- 2. Plan to attend our Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 22 following a noon meal. We will receive communion during morning worship. More details to come!
- 3. Carla Stucky will begin working at the office on Wednesdays and will be printing the bulletin Wednesday afternoon. Announcements need to be sent by Wednesday noon.
- 4. Carla Stucky will be working on the **yearbook** beginning in January! Please check your yearbook and make sure your contact information is correct. Let Carla know of any changes needed.

General Announcements

- 5. Trinity Mennonite Church in Hillsboro is planning to end its time as a congregation. The congregation has given their building to the Hillsboro Community Childcare Center, a needed ministry in the community. A church "close out sale" (garage sale) will be Saturday, January 21 in the Fellowship Hall with craft items, toys, Christmas decorations, artificial 6 foot trees, artificial flower bouquets, candles. vases, different hymn books, ping pong table, fus ball game, electric treadmill, costumes (and other items found in Sunday School closets and worship supply closets). Come explore from 9:00 am-2:00 pm! All purchases are by donation to the Childcare Center. For bigger items like pulpits, upright pianos, communion tables, communion sets, organ, pews, banners, large hedge-wood crosses, etc. please call the church at 620-947-3824 to express your interest. Our last service will be April 9, Easter Sunday morning at 10:30 am following a sunrise service (at the actual time of sunrise) and a 9:30 brunch. Guests and former members of Trinity are welcome to attend.
- 6. **Camp Mennoscah** thanks you for your prayers and gifts this past year. A letter can be found on the foyer board asking you to consider an ongoing, sustaining gift to Camp. If you are interested in this sort of a gift or would like to include Camp Mennoscah in your charitable

contributions, contact the camp and they can visit with you about what that might look like. You can give here: https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/278483

7. Bethel and Hesston College events can be found on the bulletin board.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Pray for generous contributions to WDC as the fiscal year ends in January, to support conference ministries of equipping ministers, resourcing congregations, and networking church planting partnerships.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Mennonite Mission Network praises God for the 40 SOOP participants who are serving this month in places like Kykotsmovi, Phoenix, and Tucson, Arizona; Gotha, Florida; Americus, Georgia; Meridian, Mississippi; Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania; and San Antonio, Texas. Pray that they will be instruments of God's justice, peace and love.



We wish a "Happy Birthday" to:

January 9: Sherry Wedel January 14: Shery Kessler