

West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

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Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Pastor Kurt Horst
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship

LEADER: Lord Jesus, we come today seeking you.
**PEOPLE: Open our eyes to see in new ways and our ears
to hear new things.**

LEADER: We seek your truth,
**PEOPLE: While often thinking we already know what is
right**

LEADER: We seek your strength
PEOPLE: While often denying our own weakness

LEADER: We seek your wisdom
PEOPLE: While often trusting our own foolishness

LEADER: Move in our midst
**PEOPLE: Reveal your truth
Share your strength
Impart your wisdom**

LEADER: Amen!

****Celebrating in song** (words on screen)

*HWB 389 Take my life
HWB 226 You are salt for the earth*

Scripture Matthew 18:23-35, Luke 7:41-42 Laura Bretz

Message Pastor Kurt
"Stories to Remember: The Greedy Borrower"

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** *STJ 73 The Lord lift you up*

**Benediction

**Postlude

**please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Sharon Gehring

CCLI # 9106321
Stream CCLI #20084674
OneLicense #A-738752

Livestreaming can now be found on our West Zion Youtube page

Sunday, May 14, 2023

9:30 AM: Sunday School **10:30 AM:** Worship Service
Message: Pastor Kurt Horst **Accompanist:** Donna Stucky
Worship Leader: Leon Guhr **Scripture:** Zettie Wedel
Greeter(s): Clark & Connie Graber

Coming Events

May 10: Salad supper for women 6:30 PM at West Zion
May 12: Craft night 6:00 PM
May 20: Moundridge High graduation 2:00 PM
May 28: Pentecost Sunday, communion received
July 10-14: VBS at West Zion in the evenings

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 at the office by Wed. noon.

1. **Thank you** for all the kind words, cards, good, support, love and prayers during our time of loss. – The Kessler Family
2. Christian Homemakers invites all women of West Zion to attend the **Salad Supper** to be held May 10 at 6:30 PM at West Zion. Gregg Friesen of Newton will give an illustrated presentation of birds in Kansas entitled “Zero to 134: Creating a Bird-Friendly Yard.” Bring a large salad and guests.
3. The next **craft night** will be held on Friday, May 12 beginning at 6:00 PM. This come and go event is open to anyone; just bring your craft/project/hobby and join the fun!
4. All are invited to celebrate the **graduation of Mateo Roth** on Saturday, May 20! The graduation ceremony is at 2:00 PM at the high school and a come and go party will be held at Brad and Lici’s house from 3:30-5:00 PM. A formal invite with pictures (front and back) can be found on the foyer board.
5. Our Sunday morning service will now be **live streaming** through our YouTube page. Go to the West Zion YouTube channel to subscribe. You can also find the sermons on our West Zion website at www.westzionmc.org.

General Announcements

6. The Kansas **Mennonite Relief Sale** Annual Dinner and Meeting will be Thursday, May 25, 6:00 pm at First Mennonite Church, McPherson. The cost of the meal is \$20.00. Please RSVP to Barb BJ Reeves at bj.reeves@live.com or call/text 620-543-6863 by May 21. Come celebrate the success of the MCC Sale!
7. The 2nd Annual **Pine Village Car & Tractor Show + Cornhole Tournament** is Saturday, May 13th from 10am-3pm. The event is free for spectators and includes an inflatable obstacle course. If you have a car or tractor you would like to show or would like to enter your cornhole team, please RSVP by May 10 to 620-345-2901 or signing up online at www.pinevillageks.org/eventsignup. Car show & cornhole team entries are \$20. We will have a 50/50 cash raffle, food & drinks by donation, and Chill Shaved Ice available!

8. **Camp Mennoscah** continues to raise money through the **M&M Project**. Our list of **Fire Keepers** - givers who have promised to add \$1,000 to this fund by the end of the calendar year - is growing. Remember, money raised for the M&M Project, will be matched by, dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000 by a generous donor. Now is the time to sign up - your family, your Sunday School class, your small group, yourself - to be a Fire Keeper! You can pay immediately, give monthly, or pay closer to the end of the year. Receiving money now allows for funds to be used immediately that need attention now, like AC in the Retreat Center this summer. For more information, got to the Mennoscah Website, or contact Tammy Duvanel Unruh at tammy.d.unruh@campmennoscah.org.



BUDGET SUMMARY

	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 1,995.00	\$ 1,378.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 56,318.62	\$ 66,691.91
Budget	\$163,155.00	\$157,300.00
Less: expended to date	(32,069.85)	(43,642.54)
Less: cash balance	(29,839.92)	(27,824.18)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$101,245.23	\$ 85,833.28
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,978	\$ 2,525

West Zion Prayers

Family of Jeremy Kessler who died April 26

Harvey Thiessen recovering from oral surgery

Amy Bachman had surgery this past week

Esther Thieszen, wife of Harold, died April 28

Kaleigh Guhr plans on attending Sterling College in the fall

Leon & Virginia Guhr will travel to EMU for grandson's graduation

Prayer Request from Western District Conference

Give thanks for WDC's Resource Library, and pray that children, youth, adults and ministry leaders would be enriched in faith and discipleship through library resources.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network

Alfonsina and José Oyanguren, serving through Mennonite Mission Network, request prayer for the more than 40 people from 15 communities in Argentina's Chaco region who are helping voice dub the Jesus Film in the Toba Qom language. Pray that those who participate will be led into a deeper understanding of who Jesus is and his love for all people.

Mission Mosaic

Anicka Fast and John Clarke, Ann-Sophie and Maika

April 30 attendance: 43



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:
May 11: Lexi Bretz