

# West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

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Prelude Gerry Major & Jan Larson  
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Connie Kaufman  
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

**Call to Worship** (Adapted from 'Hold Fast to What Is Good' a blog by Beth Merrill Neel. Used with permission.)

Leader: We have set aside time to worship today.

**People: We see light, hope, and joy;**

Leader: We bring heart, soul, mind, and body;

**People: We share blessings and fears;**

Leader: We bring faith and doubt.

**All: With all that we are and all that we have, this is time  
set aside to worship God.**

**\*\*Celebrating in song** words on screen  
*HWB 17 We gather together*  
*HWB 389 Take my life*

Scripture Luke 12:16-21 and 13:6-8 Connie Graber

Message Pastor Kurt Horst  
"Does anybody really know what time it is?"

Offering (*Offering will be received in the basket on the back table.*)

**Song for Meditation** Gerry Major & Jan Larson

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (*Raise your hand, and we'll bring the mic to you.*)

Pastoral Prayer

**\*\*Sending Song** *HWB 324 Seek ye first*

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

**\*\*please stand if you are able**

Greeter(s): Frances Neufeld

CCLI # 9106321

Stream CCLI #20084674

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*Livestreaming can now be found on our West Zion Youtube page*

## **Sunday, June 25, 2023**

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service      **Message:** Pastor Kurt Horst  
**Worship Leader:** Pastor Kurt      **Scripture:** Lory Fisher  
**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky  
**Greeter(s):** Dan Pohl

### **Coming Events**

June 23:      Craft night at West Zion 6:00 PM  
July 9:      VBS decorating party 3:00 PM  
July 11-14:    VBS at West Zion in the evenings  
July 15:      VBS pool party 7-9 PM  
July 16:      Missionary partners, the Larsons, for morning worship

**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. The next **West Zion craft night** is Friday, June 23 beginning at 6:00 PM. Bring whatever project or fun activity you might have and come fellowship and create in our church's Fellowship Hall.
2. Would you be interested in being **Worship Leader** on Sunday mornings? This involves leading welcome and responsive reading, announcing songs and offering, and leading prayer when the pastor is not available. Words can be written out for you or you can write up your own. Please pray about this and let Carla Stucky know if you have questions.
3. **STEPMC** is currently walking alongside many families who are experiencing unreliable transportation making it harder for them to get to work, take care of their kids, and pay all of their bills. Would you or someone you know have a vehicle to donate to STEPMC? You could give someone a giant boost on their journey out of poverty with the gift of a reliable vehicle. Contact Jay Goering, board president, for more information or call STEPMC at 620-241-9011.
4. **Camp Mennoscah** is moving forward on the **M&M Project**. As of now, we are close to one-third of the way to our goal of \$100,000. We have 30 plus giving units committed to being **Fire Keepers** and the list grows weekly. Churches are invited to put together a **fundraising event** this year that would specifically benefit the M&M Project. Contact us if you would like camp representation at such an event. For more information, check out the Camp Mennoscah website or contact Tammy Duvanel Unruh at 316-207-3472.



## General Announcements

5. **Staff position opening:** Western District Conference seeks a quarter-time **Fund Development Coordinator** beginning July 2023 to cultivate donor relationships and congregational giving, promote planned giving, and generate creative fundraising initiatives. Qualifications include communication, fund-raising and development skills. Position description and application form can be found here: <https://mennowdc.org/employment/>. Please submit application and letter of interest to [heidirk@mennowdc.org](mailto:heidirk@mennowdc.org).

6. The **Moundridge Community Blood Drive** is scheduled for June 23 from noon until 6:00 PM at the Pine Village Wellness Center. For an appointment visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and put in "Moundridge" for the sponsor code or call 1-800-733-2767. Thanks for your support and if you have any questions, call Denise Stucky at 620-386-0112 or email [hdstucky@mtelco.net](mailto:hdstucky@mtelco.net).

7. **MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory:** An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, but some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: *new* infant onesies and sleepers (3-12 month sizes); notebooks (70 sheets); and black or blue ballpoint pens. Locally, MCC distributes prisoner care and returning citizen care kits. For those kits we currently need: shampoo (20 oz or more), men's deodorant (min 2.25 oz) and toothpaste (min. 5 oz). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30<sup>th</sup> St). Please contact [brociamueller@mcc.org](mailto:brociamueller@mcc.org) or 316.283.2720 if you have questions. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at [mcc.org/kits](http://mcc.org/kits).

8. **Kauffman Museum** is offering an intergenerational Uncle Carl's Camp called "Pottery Possibilities," July 10-14 from 9 AM – noon on the Bethel campus. Campers will start with hand-building before throwing on potter's wheels, and wrap up the week with glazing and an outdoor firing (weather permitting). Completed artwork may be picked up at a later date. No previous experience is required. To sign up or to explore other Uncle Carl's Camp offerings, stop by Kauffman Museum (27th & North Main, North Newton) to pick up a brochure or visit <https://kauffmanmuseum.org/uncle-carls-camp/>



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

June 19: Gerry Major

June 22: Darin Schmidt

June 24: Wynona Becker

We wish a **“Happy 78<sup>th</sup> Anniversary”** to:

June 21: Richard & Margie Huxman

June 11 attendance: 44

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 3,763.05	\$ 375.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 67,021.67	\$ 80,767.96
Budget	\$163,155.00	\$157,300.00
Less: expended to date	( 42,527.50)	( 57,824.46)
Less: cash balance	( 30,376.66)	( 27,749.94)
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 90,250.84	\$ 71,125.60
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 3,223	\$ 2,562

**West Zion Prayers**

Glenda Golden is thankful for prayers and successful dental work

Virginia Guhr is thankful for prayers and successful knee surgery

Leon Guhr for upcoming surgery to remove skin cancer

Search Committee begins meeting together

Kate Mast, friend of Sharon Gehring’s, is having significant knee surgery next week

Geneva Wedel continues therapy at Mercy Hospital

**Prayer Request from Western District Conference**

Pray for pastoral candidates, and for pastoral search committees in WDC congregations, as they discern the guidance of the Holy Spirit for future ministerial leadership.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network**

MMN requests prayer for Robin Gingerich, who has served in administrative and academic capacities at LCC International University in Lithuania since 2001. Pray for her as she builds relationships with students, faculty and staff from around the world.

**Mission Mosaic**

Angela & Tomoki Yamanaka, Mirai, Taira, Kiera, and Yoshiki in Japan



This week we pray for Camp Mennoscah campers and volunteers