

West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

January 14, 2024

Prelude Donna Stucky

Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship Ephesians 2:19-21

Leader: You are no longer foreigners and outsiders

People: but citizens together with God's people and members of God's family.

Leader: You are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets.

People: Jesus Christ is the cornerstone.

Leader: In Christ all the parts of the building fit together

All: and grow into a holy temple in God.

**Songs *Summoned by the God who made us
Christ is our cornerstone HWB 43*

Scripture reading 1 Peter 2:9-12 Connie Graber

Song *For we are strangers no more HWB 322
(can remain seated)*

Message Priests and Missionaries Matt Hamsher

Prayer of Blessing for Pastor Phil Slabaugh

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*)

Prayers of the People

**Sending Song *In my life, Lord, be glorified*

**Benediction

Matt Hamsher

**Postlude

**please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Dave & Zettie Wedel

Welcome and thank you to Matt Hamsher for bringing our morning message! Matt Hamsher became the Executive Director of the Evana Network in May of 2019. He is a former pastor of Longenecker Evangelical Anabaptist Fellowship in Ohio and former regional pastor of Ohio Mennonite Conference. He currently lives in Dover, Ohio, with his wife Kristina and enjoys soccer, hiking, and playing board games in his free time.

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Livestream can be found on our West Zion Youtube page

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Message: "Who are We Pleasing?" with Pastor Phil Slabaugh

10:30 AM: Worship Service **Scripture:** 1 John 4:1-6

Accompanist: Carla Stucky **Worship Leader:** Vicky Kessler

Greeter(s): Mike & Connie Kaufman

Noon meal and Annual Business Meeting

Coming Events

Jan. 17: Meals and MYM begins

Jan. 21: Meal & Annual Meeting, vote on conference affiliation

Feb. 1: Homemakers work night

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

Interim Pastor Phil Slabaugh

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West Zion Announcements

Please have bulletin announcements to the office by Thursday noon.

1. **Pastor Phil Slabaugh** has begun as interim pastor. He will be in the office from 9 AM – 4:30 PM Tuesday through Friday. His address is 1812 Carnation Village in Moundridge and cell # is 319-461-5313. Email is p.b.slabaugh@gmail.com.

2. The West Zion Annual **Business Meeting** will take place on Sunday, January 21 following a potluck meal. **At the meeting, a vote will be taken to move our affiliation to Evana.** The Council is requiring a two-thirds yes vote in order for the motion to move forward. Upon receiving the positive vote, there will need to be acceptance from Evana and revisions to the constitution and handbook. We ask that you pray about this decision. If you have further questions, please visit with one of the Deacons or Connie Kaufman.

3. Yearbook needs:

- Make changes in the yearbook in the foyer as needed by Jan. 21.
- The secretary needs each Team's written yearbook report.
- Let secretary know who the Chair of your Team is when known.

General Announcements

4. In 2024, the **Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus (KMMC)** will be part of a year-long celebration recognizing the 150th anniversary of the arrival of Mennonites to Kansas. Our concerts in April will include selections that recognize this important anniversary and our special guest performers will be the Newton Community Children's Choir. For more than 50 years, the KMMC has been sharing concerts that bring glory to God, joy to those who listen and global mission relief through the concert offerings. Men and boys are invited to join this tradition of worship through four-part choral music as members of KMMC. See the registration poster in the foyer. Rehearsals begin January 28. Contact Mike Lamb, KMMC Steering Committee President, 316-253-1542 with questions.

5. **Garden Community Church** south of Moundridge offers a GriefShare group and DivorceCare group beginning January 18. Brochures can be found on the foyer board.

6. **STEPMC** sent a note of thanks to WZ which can be found in the foyer.

6. **Everence®** will hold an informative Social Security and retirement income workshop on Thursday, January 25, starting at 6:30 p.m. Topics will include, Social Security strategies, including when to begin taking benefits, risks that can impact your retirement savings plus strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. There will also be plenty of time for questions. The in-person workshop will be at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:

January 14: Shery Kessler

January 17: Jim Stucky

January 7 attendance: 44

West Zion Prayers

Eichelberger family on the death of Lorie
Tracy Duffman and family on the death of Carl
Thankful for healing and safe travel
Those dealing with health issues and recovering from surgery
Church leadership and search for a new pastor

BUDGET SUMMARY

	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 13,009.70	\$ 17,115.62
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 13,009.70	\$ 17,115.62
Budget	\$173,035.00	\$163,155.00
Less: expended to date	(321.10)	(125.00)
Less: cash balance	<u>(35,530.04)</u>	<u>(22,860.42)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$137,183.86	\$140,169.58
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,690	\$ 2,748