

West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

Church phone (620-345-8143)

Email: www.westzionmc.org

January 28, 2024

Prelude Donna Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

Welcome Carla Stucky
The Lord be with you / **and also with you.**

Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 145:1-9

Leader: I will exalt you, my God and King, and praise your name forever and ever.

People: Great is the Lord, and most worthy to be praised.

Leader: Let each generation tell its children of your mighty acts; let them proclaim your power.

People: I will meditate on the splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works.

Leader: Your awe-inspiring deeds will be on every tongue; I will proclaim your greatness. Everyone will share the story of your wonderful goodness; they will sing with joy about your righteousness.

People: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in unfailing love.

All: The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

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*)

Prayer

****Songs** *Here I am to worship
I love to tell the story HWB 398*

Message Pastor Phil Slabaugh
"Speak up for Jesus" 1 John 4:1-6

****Sending Song** *Take my life and let it be HWB 389*

****Benediction** Pastor Phil Slabaugh
****Postlude**

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

Greeter(s): Ken Stucky

CCLI # 9106321
Stream CCLI #20084674
OneLicense #A-738752
Livestream can be found on our West Zion Youtube page

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Message: "The Art of Noticing" Pastor Phil

10:30 AM: Worship Service **Scripture:** Matthew 9:36-38

Accompanist: Donna Stucky **Worship Leader:** Sharon Gehring

Greeter(s): Will & Ellen Kaufman

Coming Events

Jan. 24: Chicken Casserole meal & MYM

Jan. 31: Tator tot casserole meal & MYM

Feb. 1: Homemakers work day 1:00 PM

Feb. 7: Pancake/sausage meal & MYM

Feb. 14: Taco meal & MYM

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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We wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to:
February 1: Carolyn Schmidt

West Zion Prayers

Glenda Golden broke her hip & is at Newton Medical Center

Wynona Becker & family on the death of her sister

Jan Dyck & family as her brother, Glen, died

Search Committee and church leadership

West Zion Announcements

Please have bulletin announcements to the office by Thursday noon.

1. At the Annual Meeting last Sunday, a **congregational vote** was taken on the question of leaving Western District Conference/MCUSA and moving to the Evana Network. There were 35 people who voted yes to move to Evana and 2 people who voted no. West Zion will be joining the Evana Network. Thank you to Council and Deacons and others for their work on this decision.
2. Pastor Phil will begin a **new sermon series** next Sunday, February 4, entitled "Practicing the 9 Arts of Spiritual Conversations." Come join us and invite a friend!
3. Thank you to **Lory Fisher** for agreeing to fill a 2-year term as Deacon. Please keep her and our Deacons in prayer.
4. The **Wednesday evening meals** are open to our church. The MYM kids and staff go through at 5:45 PM and you are welcome to come eat at 6:00 PM. The meal being served can be found in the upcoming events.
5. **Christian Homemakers** will meet Thursday, February 1 at 1:00 PM for a work day. All are welcome!

General Announcements

6. **WANTED**—Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, RV's, Campers, Tractors, Modern Farm Equipment, etc. for the KS MCC Sale. Items you no longer need can help feed and clothe thousands in desperate living conditions. ALL donations are tax deductible. Call Jerry Toews for info: 620-367-8257. - KS MCC Sale Committee
7. **MCC Central States annual meeting**, Saturday, March 2 at 10 AM at their office, 121 E 30th St in North Newton. You are invited to join the meeting in-person or virtually to hear MCC Executive Director Ann Graber Hershberger share an update. Email centralstates@mcc.org if you would like the Zoom link to join virtually.
8. Mark your calendar now for the 16th annual **MCC Comforter Blitz, March 4-6** just outside of Yoder. If you can tie a knot, you can make a difference! Curious to find out more? Please check mcc.org/comforter-blitz or the Kansas MCC Comforter Blitz page on Facebook. The blitz takes place on Monday, March 4 from 9am-5pm, Tuesday, March 5

from 9am-9pm and Wednesday, March 6 from 9am-4pm at the 3605 East Longview Rd. Haven, KS. Questions? Please contact brociamueller@mcc.org.

9. You are invited to the **Annual Meeting of the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum** in Goessel on January 28 at 2 PM at the Goessel Church. After the meeting, Rod Ratzlaff, Przechowko historian, will present, "Origins of Alexanderwohl, Huffnungsau, & Lone Tree: Legacy of the Old Flemish Mennonites of Przechowko." *Faspa* will be served. This event will be live streamed from the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum's Facebook page.
10. **First Mennonite Church of Halstead** invites you to their annual Verenike Supper on February 17 from 4:30pm-7pm at the church, 427 W 4th. There will be a dine-in option and a carryout option (west side of the church on Santa Fe). The menu will be verenike, ham gravy, sausage, green beans, zwieback, & pie. Proceeds will go to Halstead USD 440 school lunches and Halstead community utility bill assistance.
11. The January 2024 edition of **Schweitzer Salt** can be found on the foyer board. It has information about the 150th Celebration activities that will be happening this year.

January 21 attendance: 55

BUDGET SUMMARY

| | This Year | Last Year |
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| Regular collections – this week | \$ 1,615.00 | \$ 1,395.00 |
| Regular collections – year to date | \$ 15,799.70 | \$ 20,788.62 |
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| Budget | \$173,035.00 | \$163,155.00 |
| Less: expended to date | (1,836.42) | (4,038.46) |
| Less: cash balance | (36,804.72) | (22,325.68) |
| Receipts needed to meet budget | \$134,393.86 | \$136,790.86 |
| Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget | \$ 2,743 | \$ 2,792 |