

## West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

Church phone (620-345-8143)

Email: [www.westzionmc.org](http://www.westzionmc.org)

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March 10, 2024

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Prelude Donna Stucky  
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship Responsive Reading on screen

\*\*Song *We gather together HWB 17*

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

Song for Meditation

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

Prayer

\*\*Song *I'll praise my maker HWB 166*

Message Pastor Phil  
"Listen to What the Spirit Says" – Philadelphia, Rev. 3:7-13

\*\*Sending Song *The Lord is my light STJ 97*

\*\*Benediction

\*\*Postlude

\*\*please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Clark & Connie Graber

## West Zion Prayers

Jr Loganbill and healing for a back injury  
Wynona Becker's grandson, Anthony, and new job  
All those mourning the loss of a loved one  
Search Committee and church leadership

## Next Sunday, March 17, 2024

**Greeter(s):** Mike & Connie Kaufman

**9:30 AM:** Sunday School

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service

**Accompanist:** Carla Stucky

**Worship Leader:** Ellen Kaufman

**Scripture:** Rev. 3:14-22

**Message:** "Listen to what the Spirit Says"- Laodicea, Pastor Phil

**6:30 PM:** Bunco night in Fellowship Hall

## Coming Events

March 13: Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM

March 20: Church Council 7:00 PM, **no Women's Bible Study**

March 27: Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM

March 31: 7:00 AM Sunrise service at Russ Stucky's pasture  
Breakfast at West Zion, Easter Sunday worship

April 3: Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM

April 11: Bake night for MCC Sale

April 12-13: MCC Sale in Hutchinson

### **Interim Pastor Phil Slabaugh**

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*Livestream can be found on our West Zion Youtube page  
Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and search West Zion Mennonite*

## West Zion Announcements

Please have bulletin announcements to the office by Thursday noon.

1. **The yearbooks are done!** It is a happy day. The new yearbooks are in mailboxes. Old ones can be recycled (binder and papers) by putting them in the box on a chair in the back of the sanctuary.
2. **Sunday School** is meeting 9:30-10:15 AM in the conference room upstairs. Rodney Dyck is teaching on the book of James.
3. **Offering will now be received in an offering box** in the same place where it was collected before.
6. **St. Patrick's Day Bunco Night!** Please come join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 17 at 6:30 PM for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship!! Bunco is a dice game for all ages! No skill needed. Feel free to invite a friend. Remember to wear a patch of green so you don't get pinched! (Green refreshments will be served.)
4. For those who attend **Women's Bible Study**, there will be no study on Wednesday, March 20 due to Church Council. We will meet three more times from 7-8 PM on March 13, March 27 and wrap up on April 3.
5. A group from Eden Mennonite are in charge of the Verenike and Sausage Booth in the Domestic Arts Building for the Mennonite Relief Sale. They are looking to fill 133 volunteer slots! Please consider signing up to work a shift or two!  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44A4AB2CA5FECE9-47875763-draft#/>

## General Announcements

6. **Everence®** will hold an informative Social Security and retirement income workshop on Thursday, March 21, 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 workshop will be at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. Information will be presented by staff from the Everence offices. To register contact Everence at 877-467-7294 or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).
7. Join **Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum** (in Goessel) for the Heritage Dinner, April 5, 6:30 pm, at Tabor Mennonite Church. Mayleen Thiesen Vinson will share an entertaining and insightful portrayal of Fru Schmidt's dilemma—what to pack for her family? Each adult ticket-holder was allowed to pack 27 cubic feet of baggage and freight. Consider that the Schmidts have ten children! Would you have packed a waffle iron, an anvil, or corncobs? Tickets are on sale now! Contact the museum by April 1 (620-367-8200 or email [goesselmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:goesselmuseum@gmail.com)) to reserve your tickets for the Low German sausage meal catered by Goessel Grocery & Deli. Prices are \$75 per person, ages 12 and under are \$15, and first-time attenders are \$40. This event will be recorded, but not live-streamed.
8. It's time again for the **Pine Village Anchor's Banquet!** Come and hear bluegrass group Kilometer 81 (Ken & Amy Regier family) at this year's Anchor's Banquet to benefit the Memorial Home Endowment Foundation. The event will be on Friday, March 22 in the Pine Village Wellness Center. Dinner will begin at 6 pm (provided by Pine Village Catering). Tickets are \$100 and proceeds will go to the endowment fund. Make your reservations by calling 620-345-2901 or purchase tickets online at [www.pinevillageks.org](http://www.pinevillageks.org) by **Monday, March 18**. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!
9. **"A Goodly Heritage: A Musical Drama Sharing a History of the Swiss Volhynian Mennonites"** will be performed at Eden Mennonite on Saturday, March 23 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, March 24 at 2:00 PM. Jenny Schrag has written and is directing this drama along with Dawn Abrahams. Bo Howard is serving as musical director. This is one of the events celebrating 150 years since Swiss Volhynian Mennonites and many other groups came to the US in 1874 from Volhynia, Russia.

10. **Three Groups, One Story** video will be shown on Tuesday, March 12, at 1:30 p.m. at Pine Village Chapel. Southeast South Dakota is the only place in the world where Low German Mennonites, Swiss Volhynian Mennonites and Hutterites settled side by side in the 1870s near Freeman, South Dakota. An 80-minute documentary tells their stories of moving across Europe searching for refuge from persecution and a place to live peacefully. No cost. You are invited to learn about these three groups and their story.

11. Another event as a part of the **150th anniversary celebrating** the Swiss Volhynian Mennonites and many other groups coming to the U.S. in 1874 is coming to this area on Monday, March 18. Jerry Juhnke is presenting a Seminar on researching your genealogy. The presentation will be free and open to all at 10 am or 6 pm at the Pine Village Wellness Center. Jerry will also present this information

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



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:  
 March 12: Jan Graber  
 March 15: Margie Huxman

March 3 attendance: 45

**Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale (MCC Sale), April 12-13**

[www.kansas.mccsale.org](http://www.kansas.mccsale.org)

Find all information for volunteering, auctions and more on the sale website. ***If you need help signing up for something online, visit with Connie Kaufman.***

You can donate money now to the MCC Sale by writing check to West Zion and putting MCC in memo.

Coins Count! Bring your loose change to church and put in the jar in the back of the sanctuary.

April 6 will be a day for making bohne beroggi in Moundridge and verenike in Hillsboro.

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 2,430.00	\$ 1,725.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 36,900.70	\$ 38,354.62
Budget	\$173,035.00	\$163,155.00
Less: expended to date	( 18,381.07)	( 15,618.08)
Less: cash balance	<u>( 41,541.83)</u>	<u>( 28,319.38)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$113,112.10	\$119,217.54
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,631	\$ 2,773
KS Mennonite Relief Sale to-date	\$ 650	