

West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Morning Worship

Church phone (620-345-8143)

Email: www.westzionmc.org

March 17, 2024

Prelude Carla Stucky
Lighting of the Christ candle

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

Announcements

Call to Worship Responsive Reading on screen

**Song *Come, Christians, join to sing*

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 *Jesus, thou mighty Lord HWB 115*

Message Pastor Phil
"Listen to what the Spirit Says – Laodicea", Rev. 3:14-22

**Sending Song *Open my eyes, that I may see HWB 517*

**Benediction

**Postlude

**please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Mike & Connie Kaufman

West Zion Prayers

Praise for Terry Kessler being released from therapy!
Search Committee and church leadership

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024

Greeter(s): Will & Ellen Kaufman

9:30 AM: Memories of Hope Biles in Fellowship Hall (no SS)

10:30 AM: Worship Service

Accompanist: Donna Stucky

Worship Leader: Vicky Kessler

Scripture: John 12:12-16

Message: "The Road to Palm Sunday: Jesus is my King!" Pst Phil

Coming Events

March 17: Bunko night at 6:30 PM

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

March 21: Christian Homemakers work afternoon 1-5 PM

March 24: Memories of Hope Biles 9:30 (**no SS**)

March 25: Prayer Walk at 6:30 PM, begins at West Zion

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

March 28: Maundy Thursday supper & communion 6:00 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

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*Livestream can be found on our West Zion Youtube page
Go to www.youtube.com and search West Zion Mennonite*

West Zion Announcements

Please have bulletin announcements to the office by Thursday noon.

1. Join the **Christian Homemakers** for a work afternoon on March 21 in Fellowship Hall at West Zion. Work will start at 1:00 PM and go until 4:00 or 5:00 PM. Homemakers will be working on MCC packaging, tying comforters, and maybe quilting. Come to help and have fellowship, all are invited.
2. A **Prayer Walk** coordinated by Associated Ministries of Moundridge will be held on Monday, March 25 beginning at 6:30 PM at West Zion. A map of the route that will be walked is posted on the foyer board.
3. There will be a time to **remember Hope Biles** at 9:30 AM on Sunday, March 24 in Fellowship Hall. Come share memories and stories. Cinnamon rolls from Neighbors Café (Hope's favorite!) and coffee will be served. ***There will be no Sunday School that morning.***
4. There will be a **Maundy Thursday supper**, communion service, and foot washing held in Fellowship Hall on March 28 to commemorate the last supper of Jesus and his disciples. The meal will begin at 6:00 PM.
5. **The yearbooks are done!** 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.
6. **St. Patrick's Day Bunco Night!** Please come join us tonight in the Fellowship Hall 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.)
7. For those who attend **Women's Bible Study**, there will be no study this Wednesday March 20 due to Church Council.

General Announcements

8. **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.
9. 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? Tickets are on sale now! Contact the museum by April 1 (620-367-8200 or email 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.
10. There is still time to RSVP for the **Pine Village Anchor's Banquet!** Come and hear Kilometer 81, while supporting Pine Village by attending 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, with the meal being provided by Pine Village Catering. Tickets are \$100 and all the proceeds will go to the endowment fund. Make your reservations by calling Pine Village at 620-345-2901 or on-line at www.pinevillageks.org. Reservation deadline is Monday, March 18. This remains the Endowment Foundations largest and only fundraiser, so we are grateful for your continued support!
11. "**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.

12. 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 20: Lory Fisher

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale (MCC Sale), April 12-13
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. **Note in budget summary that \$900 has been given so far to MCC!**

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

MCC Sale Children's Auction - Consider donating new, in-the-package, items to this year's auction! Hot Wheels, Barbie, board games, Lego sets, art kits, and sports equipment are some ideas. Items may be given to Connie Kaufman for delivery to Sale if needed.

March 10 attendance: 37

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 1,990.00	\$ 5,650.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 38,890.70	\$ 44,004.62
Budget	\$173,035.00	\$163,155.00
Less: expended to date	(22,147.87)	(18,084.08)
Less: cash balance	<u>(39,765.03)</u>	<u>(31,503.98)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$111,122.10	\$113,566.94
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,646	\$ 2,704
KS Relief Sale to-date	\$ 900	