

## West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Worship Service

Church phone (620-345-8143)

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

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September 15, 2024

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Prelude Carla Stucky

Welcome Sharon Gehring

Announcements (*raise your hand for the microphone or come to the front*)

\*\*Call to Worship *We Have Come into His House*

Offering / Song of Meditation

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (*raise your hand for the microphone*)

Prayer

\*\*Song *Will You Come and Follow Me STS 39*

Scripture reading Connie Graber  
Phil. 4:11-13, Matt. 6:25-29, Ecc. 5:10

Message Eric Schrag  
*"Happiness, Simplicity, and the Sermon on the Mount"*

\*\*Sending Song *Rejoice, the Lord is King! HWB 288*

\*\*Benediction Sharon Gehring

\*\*Postlude

\*\*please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Kirk & Carla Stucky

You may give an offering in the lock box at the back of the sanctuary.

*Welcome and thank you to Eric Schrag for bringing the message this morning! Eric serves as Assistant Administrator, Director of Development and the Director of the Wellness Center at Pine Village. He is the son of Dale and Margo Schrag, grandson of Richard and Lizzie Schrag from the Eden Congregation. He has been married to Gretchen (Gering) from Ritzville, WA for 26 years. Gretchen is the daughter of Butch and Diane (Stucky) Gering, and granddaughter of Carl T. and Lorene Stucky also from Eden. Eric and Gretchen have 3 children: Julianna is their oldest and is married to Jerod Kaufman, and twin sons Timothy and Jacob who are Juniors at Bethel College.*

### West Zion Prayers

Evi Otte, friend of Wynona Becker, in the hospital  
Richard Golden had surgery on Sept. 13  
Search Committee, church leadership, West Zion's future  
Physical and mental health journeys

### Next Sunday, September 22

**Greeter(s):**

**9:15 AM:** Sunday School

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service

**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

**Worship Leader:** Connie Kaufman

**Message:** Video of Nathan Stucky speaking at the 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration at Eden Mennonite on Aug. 25

### Coming Events and Church Use

Sept. 25: Meal & MYM begin  
Sept. 26: Fellowship Hall & kitchen used for Study Club  
Sept. 29: Friends & Family vocal group  
October 2: Meal & MYM  
October 6: StepMC gives message  
October 13: Hearts 4 Him Gospel ensemble, Church picnic at Phil & Lorene Lohrenz's  
October 20: Jason Boley, student in the ministry program at Sterling College

Sept. 8 attendance: 45

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

**Secretary Carla Stucky**  
**Office Hours:** Thursdays 9-11:30 AM, 1-4 PM  
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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*

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## West Zion Announcements

(Bulletin information due by Thursday noon)

1. It will soon be time for Deacon nominations. **We will be asking the congregation for names of potential Deacons on Sunday, September 29** (only members can be Deacons). Sharon Gehring's second term has ended and she is not eligible to be Deacon for a year. Please be in prayer for this process and our next Deacon. – Gifts Discernment Committee

2. **A big thank you** to a giving congregation. Many prayers were offered to those on the prayer garden listings. The donations for MCC in June and the Kleenex boxes in August were tremendous. We are grateful for your donations. – Mission Team

3. **MYM K-4 will begin meeting** on Wednesday nights Sept. 25 – Nov. 13. I am looking for people willing to help prepare and serve meals 2 times during this 8-week session. If you are able and willing to be in a group, please contact Connie Kaufman.



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:  
September 18: Will Kaufman

We wish a **“Happy Anniversary”** to:  
Sept. 21: Bernabe & Jennifer Suarez

## General Announcements

4. **Senior Center fundraiser:** The Moundridge Senior Center is raising money for new flooring in the dining room. Come by the Center from 6-7 PM on Monday, Sept. 30 for some homemade pie and ice cream and make a donation. ***The Senior Center is also asking if West Zion could donate 3-5 pies if possible.*** You can bring the pies to the Center anytime on Sept. 30. If you have questions call Ashley Stucky at 620-245-4375.

5. **Immigrant House Pilgrimage tours** will take place September 22 from 3:00-5:00 PM at Alexanderwohl Church, Goessel. The tour to the site of the Immigrant Houses will be offered at 3:00 and 4:00 PM. Meet at the church and carpool to the site. Brian Stucky will present information about the immigrant houses and there will be time to explore. Other activities taking place at Alexanderwohl include viewing an outline of the SS *Cimbria* and exploring the church cemetery. Tours of the church will also be given and will include an exhibit of the church record books from Przechowko, West Prussia, and Russia. Church Tours will take place at 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, and 4:30. Register to attend by Sept. 15 to [goesselmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:goesselmuseum@gmail.com) or call the Mennonite Heritage Museum at 620-367-8200. Registration appreciated but not required (Inclement weather date - September 29, check Facebook or museum web site for more information).

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 5,390.00	\$ 3,787.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$113,100.25	\$ 96,164.83
 Budget	 \$173,035.00	 \$163,155.00
Less: expended to date	( 81,004.59)	( 69,089.77)
Less: cash balance	<u>( 55,227.25)</u>	<u>( 32,987.09)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 36,803.16	\$ 61,078.14
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,300	\$ 4,072