

## 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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November 3, 2024

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Prelude Carla Stucky

Welcome Connie Kaufman

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

Call to Worship on screen

\*\*Song *Rain Down STJ 49*

Offering/Song for Meditation

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

Prayer

\*\*Song *Make My Life a Holy Fragrance*  
*TUNE: Shall We Gather at the River*

Message "How Do You Smell?" Pastor Dave Reimer  
2 Cor. 2:14-17

\*\*Sending Song *Jesus Paid It All*

\*\*Benediction Connie Kaufman

\*\*Postlude

\*\*please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Lory Fisher

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

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

*"I am the Canadian born, South Dakota raised, son of a preacher who served churches in Nebraska, South Dakota, and Kansas. I met my wife, Marilyn, in Bible College in Omaha, NE. I attended Dallas Theological Seminary and pastored a church in the Dallas area and another in South Dakota before coming to Kansas in 1987 and helping establish the Grace Community Church in Newton. After serving there for 30 years, I retired in 2017. Marilyn and I have 3 adult children and 8 grandchildren."*  
– Pastor Dave Reimer WELCOME PASTOR DAVE!

### West Zion Prayers

Sandy Jantz struggling with heart issues  
Sharon Gehring's mother who fell & broke her hip  
The family of Dr. Qamar from Newton who died recently  
Search Committee, church leadership, West Zion's future  
Physical health including Clark Graber & Maddie Kaufman  
Those struggling with mental health

### Next Sunday, November 10

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

**10:30 AM:** Worship Service

**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

**Worship Leader:** Connie Kaufman

**Message:** Diane Mason

### Coming Events and Church Use

Nov. 4: STEP MC at WZ 4-8 pm  
Nov. 6: Chicken casserole & MYM  
Nov. 7: Homemaker work afternoon at MCC  
Nov. 10: Diane Mason brings message, Deacon vote  
Potluck meal & Budget meeting  
Nov. 11: STEP MC at WZ 4-8 pm  
Nov. 11-12: MCC Canning  
Nov. 13: Tator tot casserole & MYM (last meal & MYM)  
Ensemble practice 7 p.m.  
Nov. 15: Craft Night in Fellowship Hall 6 p.m. to midnight  
Nov. 16: Craft Day in FH 8 am to 5 pm  
Nov. 17: Kevin Wilder brings message  
Nov. 20: Church Council 7 p.m., Ensemble practice 7 p.m.  
Nov. 23: STEP MC use FH & K for biscuits & gravy fundraiser  
Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Service

**Secretary Carla Stucky**

**Office Hours:** Thursdays 9-11:30, 1-4

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**Email:** secretary@westzionmc.org

*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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We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:  
November 9: Ruby Koehn

Oct. 27 attendance: 47

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 700.00	\$ 575.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$122,057.36	\$ 104,268.83
 Budget	 \$173,035.00	 \$163,155.00
Less: expended to date	( 113,335.34)	( 86,642.45)
Less: cash balance	<u>( 31,869.73)</u>	<u>( 23,276.69)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 27,829.93	\$ 53,235.86
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 3,092	\$ 5,915
 Meat Canning – to date	 \$930	

## West Zion Announcements

(Bulletin information due by Thursday noon)

1. Next Sunday, November 10, we will be **voting on a Deacon** immediately after worship. After the vote, we will head downstairs to a potluck meal followed by our **Annual Budget Meeting**. Table service and drinks will be provided.

2. A **Thanksgiving worship service** is being planned for November 24. We would like the month of November to be a time of practicing gratitude and making thankfulness a part of our daily lives. We invite you to use the bulletin insert as a way to become familiar with recognizing things to be thankful for each day. Next Sunday, bring back your list and place in the Blessings Jar in the back. A new list will be in next Sunday’s bulletin. If you prefer, you can email or text the list (or a picture of it) to Lory or Carla. No names are needed. You may also take pictures of things you see that you are thankful for and send to us, telling us why you are thankful for that image. We will use some of the items listed and pictures in the November 24 service. Also, during the week, you will be emailed or texted questions, quotes, encouraging words to think about.

3. Let’s **form an ensemble together** to sing for the November 24 service! Whoever would like to sing please let Carla know. Practices will be Wednesdays, November 13 and 20 at 7:00 p.m. All ages and abilities are invited. We would love for you to be a part of this ensemble!

4. **Knowing a person’s name** is the beginning of really knowing someone. We can have no higher goal nor greater joy than to know God personally. Carla Stucky will lead the Sunday School class in studying three names of God in the month of November from a Mary Kassian book entitled *Knowing God by Name*. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room.

5. **West Zion Family**, words cannot express how grateful we are for your thoughts, prayers, cards, phone calls and text messages. We are so thankful for your support during the past several months while Clark has been dealing and will continue to deal with many health

issues. God is Good and we will continue to remain steadfast in our faith. Thank you, Clark & Connie

6. **MCC meat canning** will be held on Monday and Tuesday, November 11-12. Our church is responsible for \$1,000 of the expenses. Please consider donating to the project by making checks out to West Zion with "MCC Meat canning" in the memo. Checks can be placed in the offering box. Please see Mike Kaufman for the details. A sign-up sheet has been placed in the foyer. Please consider helping MCC make a difference by "Canning".

7. **Craft Weekend:** Bring your projects, creativity and share in a weekend with friends while working on your own desired craft projects. The church will be open Friday, November 15 from 6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. and Saturday, November 16 from 8:00 - 5:00 p.m. Come and go as you wish. No meals provided. All are welcome!

8. **Christian Homemakers are collecting 6-12 month sleepers** for the MCC Center due to their short supply. You can put them in the foyer box and Homemakers will make sure they are taken to MCC.

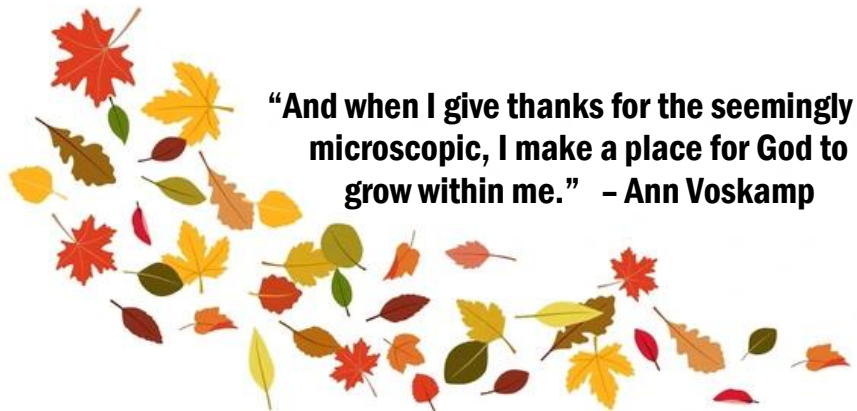
9. Welcome to all who want to join the **Christian Homemakers for a work afternoon** on Thursday, Nov. 7 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the MCC Center in North Newton. If you wish to carpool, come to West Zion by 11:30 a.m. and eat at the Breadbasket with us.

## General Announcements

10. A **Biscuits and Gravy free will donation breakfast** will be served by StepMC on November 23 from 6:00 – 11:00 a.m. at West Zion. Donations will go to their Team Leader Emergency Fund. You can also place a to-go order and have it delivered! Information can be found in the foyer.

11. **Sing along!** All are invited to attend an hour-long Community Hymn Sing led by Dr. William Eash, Professor Emeritus of Music, Bethel College. This event will be held at Eden Mennonite Church on Sunday afternoon, November 10 at 4:00pm. Be prepared to request your favorite hymn and a brief story, why it is a favorite. Refreshments served after singing.

12. **Faith & Life Bookstore in Newton** will set up a Pop-Up Shop at First Mennonite Church in Hutchinson (52 Rambler Road) on Saturday, November 9, 10am-2pm. Merchandise will include items such as Thanksgiving and Christmas cards, napkins and nativity sets. You will also find inspirational resources, books (including fiction), cookbooks, Bible covers and gifts for all ages and all occasions. This is open to the community!



**“And when I give thanks for the seemingly microscopic, I make a place for God to grow within me.” – Ann Voskamp**

## Practice Gratitude

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful...Colossians 4:2



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For the next 7 days, practice gratitude by looking for things, people, or actions that bring a smile. Where did you see God's love today? Record your thoughts or stories on this sheet. Text or email any or all of your list to Lory Fisher 620-794- 6125, fisherlory@gmail.com or Carla Stucky 620-386-0414, stuckyca@gmail.com. You can also bring the list next Sunday and put in our Blessings Jar in the back. No names are needed. We will use parts of your lists in the November 24 worship.

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