

## 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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January 5, 2025

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Prelude Donna Stucky

Welcome Vicky Kessler

Announcements

Call to Worship

\*\*Song *The Virgin Mary had a Baby Boy HWB 202*  
*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing HWB 201*

Offering/Song of Meditation "We Three Kings" free arrangement

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer

\*\*Song *What Child is This? HWB 215*

Message "From Darkness into Light" Pastor Steve Sherbenou  
Isaiah 60:1-3

\*\*Sending Song *Oh, Beautiful Star of Bethlehem STS 32*

\*\*Benediction Pastor Justin Knight

\*\*Postlude

\*\*please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Jan Dyck

**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.

## West Zion Prayers

The family of Aline Bachman who died on Dec. 30  
Kathi Becker on the death of her son's father-in-law  
Physical and mental health journeys

### Next Sunday, January 12

**Greeter(s):** Clark & Connie Graber

**10:30 a.m.:** Worship Service

**Accompanist:** Donna Stucky

**Worship Leader:** Sharon Gehring

**Message:** Pastor Justin Knight

### Coming Events and Church Use

Jan. 6: STEP MC 4-8 p.m.

Jan. 7: Yoga 4-5 p.m.

Jan. 10: Craft night

Jan. 12: Installation date for Pastor Justin

Jan. 13: Homemakers go eat & volunteer at MCC Center  
STEP MC 4-8 p.m.

Jan. 14: Yoga 4-5 p.m.

Jan. 19: Meal & Annual Meeting

Jan. 20: STEP MC 4-8 p.m.

Jan. 22: Wednesday meals & MYM begin

Dec. 24 attendance: 64

Dec. 29 attendance: 49

#### **Pastor Justin Knight**

**Office Hours:** Mon.-Thurs. 9:00-noon,  
other times by appointment, Fridays off

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#### **Secretary Carla Stucky**

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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

*Announcements are due to the secretary by Thursday noon*

1. **Welcome to Pastor Justin Knight** who began working in the office on January 2. Pastor Justin will be installed as our pastor on Sunday, January 12 with Evana Network Director, Matt Hamsher, attending the service as well.
2. Curtis Guhr **will give a refresher course** on how to use the AED machine located in the back of our sanctuary. This will take place right after church this morning.
3. **Aline Bachman's funeral** will be at West Zion on Friday, January 10. Burial will be at 10:00 a.m. with the memorial service at 11:00 a.m. A lunch will follow. Salads and 10x15 cakes will be needed for lunch. Please contact Connie Graber if you can provide some food.
4. We will be **taking down Christmas decorations** after church today. You are invited to stay and help if it works!
5. The **2025 Greeter's List** is in mailboxes now. If you are a greeter, please note your dates to greet. If you cannot greet on that Sunday, find someone to switch with and let the secretary know of that change.
6. The **poinsettias** up front are available to take home if you are interested in one.
7. It is time to begin work on a new **Yearbook!** The church directory with updates can be found in the foyer. Please make changes to it as needed before January 26.
8. **Moundridge Youth Ministries** will begin meeting again at West Zion on January 22 and run for 8 weeks. Connie Kaufman will be working on putting together a meal schedule. Meal leaders need to let Connie know if there are Wednesday nights that won't work for you.
9. Join the **Christian Homemakers** for a work afternoon at 1:00 p.m. at the MCC Center on January 13, 2025. Plans are to eat the noon meal at the Breadbasket in Newton. Come to West Zion before 11:30 a.m. to carpool.
10. Journey Mennonite in McPherson invites you to come watch the movie **"Sound of Hope: The Story of Possum Trot"** on Sunday,

January 12 at 4:00 p.m. at their church (201 E. Euclid). Free admission, popcorn and drinks! This movie was in the theaters in 2024 and is inspired by a true story of a church in Texas that adopted 77 kids out of foster care. Information tables will be set up from area foster and adoptive resources. The movie is PG-13.

11. Garden Community Church again is offering **GriefShare and DivorceCare recovery seminars** with support groups. Programs will begin January 16 and are separate programs. They feature Christian experts on grief recovery and divorce recovery topics as seen from biblical perspectives. Information is on the board.



We wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to:  
January 9: Sherry Wedel