

West Zion Mennonite Church

10:30 AM: Worship Service

Church phone (620-345-8143)

Email: www.westzionmc.org

March 23, 2025

Prelude Carla Stucky

Welcome & Announcements

You may give an offering in the lock box at the back of the sanctuary.
Remember to bring coins and cash for the Coins Count jar!

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer

**Songs *O Worship the King HWB 66*
Lord, I Lift Your Name on High
Sanctuary

Message "True Worship" - Genesis 22 Pastor Justin

Song of Meditation

**Please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Brian & Laura Bretz

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

West Zion Prayers

Karen Hess, WZ missionary partner in the Czech Republic
Physical and mental health journeys

Next Sunday, March 23

Greeter(s): Brian & Laura Bretz

9:30 a.m.: Sunday School

10:30 a.m.: Worship Service

Accompanist: Carla Stucky

Message: Pastor Justin Knight

Coming Events and Church Use

March 24: STEPMC 4-8 p.m.
March 26: Small group 7:00 p.m.
March 27: Study Club uses Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
March 30: Camp David backpack kick-off!
March 31: STEPMC 4-8 p.m.
April 2: Small group 7:00 p.m.
April 4: Craft Night 6:00 p.m.
April 10: Study Club uses Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
MCC Bake Night
April 11-12: MCC Sale
April 14: FCE uses Fellowship Hall & Kitchen, set up on Sunday
April 17: Maundy Thursday
April 20: Easter Sunday
April 25-26: Kitchen and Fellowship Hall reserved for STEPMC
garage sale, held outside if good weather, inside if rain

March 16 attendance: 45

Pastor Justin Knight

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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 and search West Zion Mennonite*

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West Zion Announcements

Announcements are due to the secretary by Thursday noon



We wish a **“Happy Birthday”** to:
March 24: Abbi Bretz

BUDGET SUMMARY	This Year	Last Year
Regular collections – this week	\$ 1,697.00	\$ 6,112.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 44,173.48	\$ 45,002.70
Budget	\$178,431.00	\$173,035.00
Less: expended to date	(25,700.18)	(22,865.87)
Less: cash balance	<u>(67,769.23)</u>	<u>(45,159.03)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 84,961.59	\$105,010.10
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 2,072	\$ 2,561

1. Pastor Justin Knight would love to **visit and have a time of fellowship** with you! Please call him at 918-859-8267 to find a time to meet.

2. Although Lent season has started, there is still time to choose a **period of personal prayer reflection from the Prayer and Fasting Worksheets** handed out by Pastor Justin several weeks ago. There are copies on the back table. Prayerfully choose a period of fasting time as a single person or family gathering enrichment. One suggestion is to choose readings from Isaiah 42, 49, 50 and 52-53. The Mission Team prayerfully encourages you in this reflection time.

3. **Join Christian Homemakers** as they gather in the West Zion kitchen for baking projects for the MCC Sale. Many jobs are available starting at 1:00 p.m. on April 10. There is a sign-up sheet on the foyer bulletin board if you wish to donate some items for baking.

4. A **Backpack Project** for Camp David International will begin March 30. We will be collecting items to go into backpacks to be given to summer campers attending Camp David. Stay tuned for more!

5. **The Deacon Team** Lory Fisher, Melvin Graber and Will Kaufman meet with Pastor Justin regularly and pray for our congregation and for changes that will be pleasing to God. As we go forward, you'll see how the Lord is working as this Deacon team and other committees work closely with Pastor Justin. The Deacons will begin a **Deacon Family Ministry** where each Deacon is assigned to an individual or family in hopes of strengthening our relationships with one another. As the Team begins to reach out to you, we hope that you'll feel comfortable communicating with us ideas or any need you may have. Please understand that this Deacon Family Ministry merely is an extension to Pastor Justin's shepherding and visitation. Please pray for us as we work together with you.

6. **Sunday School** is meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Charla Knight is leading a study on the Holy Spirit.

7. The **elevator is currently out of order**; we are sorry for the inconvenience. Please ask someone for help if needed when walking steps.

8. **Kairos Outside** is a Christian ministry program designed to support women affected by incarceration. Tracy Duffman helps with this program. In the foyer there are numerous ways you can help also, from prayer to financial to attending a closing ceremony. Their next 3-day retreat weekend is April 4-6. Please keep this in prayer and lift up Tracy as she prepares to speak there and help facilitate.

9. All are invited to the next **STEPMC Getting Ahead Graduation** on March 24 at 6:00 p.m. at West Zion Church in the sanctuary. This is a graduation for the group who just finished their Moundridge class and will graduate to become a Leader. Come hear stories and celebrate their courage and hopeful future! A short reception will follow.

10. Mark your calendars for **April 11- 12 for the annual MCC Sale**. Anyone wishing to donate money to help with covering operation costs prior to the sale can make your check out to West Zion and write in the memo line MCC Sale Expenses. **Many opportunities to volunteer and donate can be found in the foyer and at <https://kansas.mccsale.org/>.**

11. **Volunteers Needed:** The Verenike/Sausage booth in the Domestic Arts building for the 2025 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale needs more volunteers! There are jobs for everyone from cooking to cashiering. This booth is led by young adults from Eden. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44A4AB2CA5FECE9-54215329-2025#/>

12. **Bohne berrogie bake day** for the MCC Sale is April 5 at Moundridge High School. Volunteers are needed in the morning for two-hour shifts. There is a sign up on the MCC website or you can contact Marla Gillmore at 620-921-0428. Bohne Berrogie will be sold from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. that day.

13. **Children's Auction** - Consider donating new, in-the-package, items to this year's auction! Popular items are Hot Wheels, Barbie, board games, Lego sets, art kits, and sports equipment. If you wish to volunteer for the auction by clerking or helping in other ways please contact Brad Kohlman bkohlman32@gmail.com

General Announcements

14. Join us for **Pine Village's Anchor's Banquet**, Saturday, March 29! Come and hear the Icy Tea Jazz Quartet, and support the Memorial Home Endowment Foundation. The banquet will be in the Pine Village Wellness Center with dinner at 6 pm, and entertainment to follow. Tickets are \$100 and all the proceeds will go to the endowment fund. Make your reservations **by Monday, March 24** on-line at www.pinevillageks.org or by calling Pine Village at 620-345-2901.

15. McPherson Church of the Brethren is hosting a **Children's Disaster Services Volunteer Training** at the church (200 N. Carrie St.) on May 2-3. Children's Disaster Services provides a safe environment and comforting presence for children impacted by traumatic events. Anyone interested in registering for this training can do this through www.childrensdisasterservices.org. More information is on the board.

16. The **Mennonite Heritage & Agriculture Museum in Goessel** will hold the annual Heritage Dinner on Saturday, March 29, at 6:30 pm at the Tabor Mennonite Church, 891 Chisholm Trail Road, Newton, Following a meal catered by Goessel Grocery & Deli, Donna Becker will present, "What Are They Thinking?" Donna will portray Helena Schroeder, a fictionalized Mennonite immigrant around 1879, and share what is on her mind. Tickets for the museum fund raiser are \$75 per person (Ages 12 & under \$15) 1st time attender? \$40 per person. Make reservations for the event by contacting the museum by March 24 at 620-367-8200 or email: goesselmuseum@gmail.com

17. You are invited to enjoy an afternoon of music with the **Tabor College Concert Choir** as they give their Home Concert after their annual tour. The program will be in the Richert Auditorium in the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts on the campus. It will be Sunday, March 30 at 3:00 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.