

## 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 14, 2025

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Prelude Carla Stucky

Welcome Sharon Gehring

Announcements

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

Call to Worship On screen

**\*\*Songs**      *Great is Thy Faithfulness HWB 327*  
*Lord, Listen to Your Children HWB 353*

Sharing Joys and Concerns  
Prayer

Message      "Who Prays for You?"      Ellen Kaufman  
Romans 12:12, 1 Timothy 2:1-6 and 8, James 5:13-18

**\*\*Sending Song**      *O Lord Hear My Prayer HWB 348*

**\*\*Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude**

**\*\*Please stand if you are able**

Greeter(s): Geneva Wedel

**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

Pastor Mike Hiebert, West Zion and the candidating process  
Melvin Graber and health issues  
Tracy Duffman and Kansas Kairos Outside  
Pastor Peter Hartman who died in an accident  
Karen Hess, WZ missionary partner in the Czech Republic  
Physical and mental health journeys

## Candidating Sunday, September 21

**Greeter(s):** Brian & Laura Bretz

**Worship Leader:** Vicky Kessler

**9:15 a.m.:** Sunday School

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

**Accompanist:** Delonna Barnett

**Message:** Pastor Mike Hiebert

**Potluck Meal** followed by sharing and a time for questions

## Coming Events and Church Use

Sept. 15: STEPMC 4-8 p.m.

Sept. 17: Women's Bible Study 7-7:30 p.m.

Church Council 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 21: Pastor Mike Hiebert candidating Sunday, potluck meal

Sept. 22: STEPMC 4-8 p.m.

Sept. 24: Taco Meal & Moundridge Youth Ministries (MYM)

Women's Bible Study 7-8 p.m.

Sept. 28: Vote to call Pastor Hiebert as our pastor

Deacon Nomination

October 1: Pancake meal & MYM

Women's Bible Study 7-8 p.m.

October 28: MCC Meat Canning

September 7 attendance: 37

**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*

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Last Year</b>
Regular collections – this week	\$ 1,612.00	\$ 5,390.00
Regular collections – year to date	\$ 102,098.73	\$ 113,100.25
 Budget	 \$178,431.00	 \$173,035.00
Less: expended to date	( 86,782.14)	( 81,004.59)
Less: cash balance	<u>( 65,175.25)</u>	<u>( 55,227.25)</u>
Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 26,473.61	\$ 36,803.16
Avg. offering per Sunday needed to meet budget	\$ 1,655	\$ 2,300

## DEACON'S CORNER

### **Our Walk With God**

Practice looking for God so when  
He acts...you won't miss it.

*I remain confident in this... I will see the goodness of the Lord  
in the land of the living. Psalms 27:13*

As we begin to have a sincere burden for people who need the Lord, practice whispering a prayer for the people you see each day. On a given day, you might see your boss, a bank teller, a convenience store clerk, a barber, a coworker, a neighbor, a restaurant server, a flight attendant, a friend, a community leader, or any number of other folks. Each of these persons need your prayer, so whisper this prayer when you see them: Lord, if this person is not a follower of Christ, I pray he will hear the gospel and turn to you. If he is a Christian, I pray he will be a faithful follower and a witness for you.

As you pray, consider this humbling truth... you might be the only one praying for that person that day.

Lord, please teach me your ways and help me to actively listen for your voice and look for your work all around me.

Feel free to call or text us.

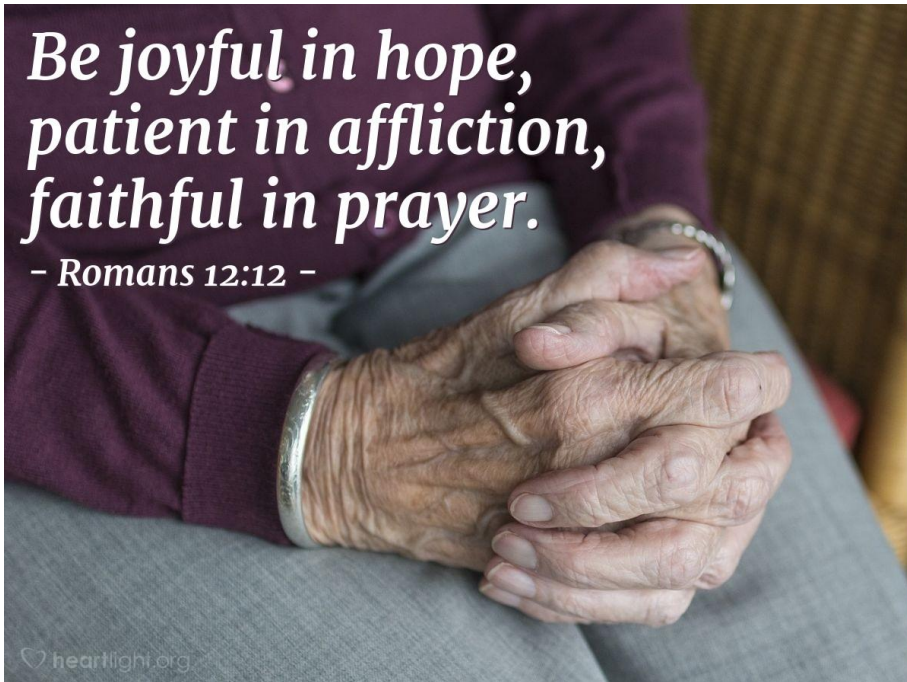
Lory Fisher 620-794-6125

Melvin Graber 620-747-0024

Will Kaufman 620-345-6787

*Be joyful in hope,  
patient in affliction,  
faithful in prayer.*

- Romans 12:12 -



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## **West Zion Announcements**

*Announcements are due to the secretary by Thursday noon*

1. **Thank you** to Ellen Kaufman for providing our morning message!
2. **CHANGE OF DATES! Pastor Mike Hiebert** has been recommended by the Search Committee to be our full-time pastor. His candidating Sunday will be next Sunday, September 21 and the congregational vote will take place September 28 (change from previously announced):  
**Sunday, Sept. 21: Candidating Sunday**  
10:30 a.m. Pastor Mike preaches  
Noon: Potluck – bring a dish for a potluck meal  
After lunch: There will be a time for sharing and questions with Pastor Mike.  
**Sunday, Sept. 28:**  
Congregational vote to call Pastor Mike as our pastor.
3. The **Wednesday evening meals** will begin on September 24. All are invited to attend the meals. Look at the bulletin's upcoming events to see what will be served. Supper for the MYM kids begins at 5:45 p.m. and everyone else is served at 6:00 p.m.
4. There are **free Christian books** and art in the foyer! Take what you would like.
5. On the Wednesday evenings of September 10, 17, and 24 First Mennonite Church of Christian in Moundridge will have a **series examining the 500th anniversary of the Anabaptist movement** and what it means for us. Retired Bethel professor Dale Schrag will be our guest to conduct the series. The presentation will be held in the fellowship hall at 6:00 pm. Snacks will be provided.
6. The **Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Meat Canner** will come to Newton on October 28. More information about the Canner is available in the foyer. If you would like to donate, make checks out to West Zion and put MCC Meat Canner in the memo line.
7. **Women's Bible Study:** We will dive into the Bible and learn how Christians are called to deal with the reality of their fears in a **women's bible study** called "When Fear Meets Faith." The 4-week study will begin Wednesday, September 17 and we'll meet in the conference room 7:00-7:30 p.m. on the 17th to hand out books and

introduce the study. If you are interested, let Carla Stucky know ASAP.

8. **Sunday School** has begun and is meeting at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. See Ellen Kaufman if you would like a book.

9. **Kansas Kairos Outside**, a ministry to support women who have been affected by incarceration, will take place September 19-21. A brochure with more information is in the foyer. There are many ways to get involved! Talk to Tracy Duffman for more information.

## **General Announcements**

10. Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is having a **Quilter's Corner sale** on Friday, October 3, from 4:00–7:00 p.m. and October 4 from 8:00 to noon at the MCC Warehouse, 121 E. 30th Street, North Newton. All proceeds support MCC work around the world.

11. **Pine Village** is gearing up for our 2025 Benefit Day Auction and Sausage Supper on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Supper will be served from 5-6:30 pm and the live auction will begin at 6 pm. Auction items are on our website for viewing beforehand at [www.pinevillageks.org](http://www.pinevillageks.org). Our raffle item this year is a Patrick Mahomes Autographed Football Helmet in case. Gift cards/certificates and church baskets are available for online bidding. All links are on our website.

12. The **Central Kansas Master Chorale** will present a Madrigal Festival with pianist Karen Unruh. Please join us for this concert directed by Dr. Joel Garber. This free event will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 14 at Hesston Mennonite Church. Admission is free, donations encouraged. For more information, visit the chorale website at [www.centrankansasmasterchorale.org](http://www.centrankansasmasterchorale.org).



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