## Zion Mennonite Church

Zion Mennonite Church covenants to grow together as a Christ-centered community, extending our Anabaptist branch into our world, bearing the lasting fruit of discipleship, and planting the seeds for God's reign through hospitality, service, and reconciliation with God and others.

#### November 30, 2014

## "Oh, That You Would Reveal Your Hope"



Prelude

Opening Words and Prayer

Call to Worship

Hymns and Carols:

HWB 182 Oh, How Shall I Receive Thee?

(Please listen as the instrumental ensemble plays the song once, then join to sing verses 1-3 as the ensemble begins playing the second time.)

HWB 172 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 1-3

(Children's Choice)

Days of Elijah

Gifts and Offerings: "Prayer of the Children" by Kurt Bestor, sung by Alec Hibbard, Brandon Chupp, Harrison Gingerich, Jason Oyer, Trevor Oyer, Jared Oyer, Ian Oakes, and Tristan Oakes

Children's Time and Advent Candle Lighting

Song: *Hope is a Candle* 

Confession

Words of Assurance

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: Mark 13:24-36

Sermon: "Have Yourself....An Apocalyptic Advent"

Response Song: STJ 54 Longing for Light

Message Response and Sharing

Song: HWB 105 Christ We Do All Adore Thee

Sending

After the service, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary for sharing and prayer.

Today's Elder is Karen Kropf.

Worship Leader: Tom Brenneman Song Leader: Charlie and Seth Gingerich Children's Story: Ken Kauffman Prelude: Kristin Oakes and Karen Tro Offertory: Young Men's Group

#### This Morning:

9:00am	Coffee Time	
9:30am	Sunday School Classes for all ages	
9:45am	Prayer Team meets	
10:45am	Worship Service	
	Th	is Afternoon/Evening
6:00pm MYF at Gam		at Game Night at Gingerich Barn
		This Week:
Monday	7:00pm	Men's Basketball
Tuesday	9:00am	Library Work Day
	7:00pm	Worship Commission Meeting
Thursday	9:00am	Mennonite Women
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Worship Schedule:

<u>December 7:</u> Second Sunday of Advent. Mathew will be preaching "How (Not) to Wait" 2 Peter 3:8-15a

<u>December 14</u>: Third Sunday of Advent. Mathew will be preaching "Scarv Marv" Luke 1:46-55

There will be no verbal announcements during Advent. If you have an announcement, please submit it to the Church Office by Thursday to be included in that week's bulletin. Written announcements will be projected on the video screen during Prelude.

During Advent through Epiphany Sunday, please take advantage of the Prelude time to mingle around to greet one another and welcome any guests or visitors among us. Extend a warm "God Bless You" or "May the Peace of Christ be with you," or perhaps, given the season, even "A Blessed Christmas."

The Canby High School Catalina Choir, under the direction of Brooks Gingerich, will sing next Sunday, December 7, during our worship service.

<u>ATTENTION PRIMETIMERS:</u> Please sign up by TODAY if you plan to attend the trip to Albany and Corvallis to visit the Corvallis Nativity Festival. More information on carpooling and transportation details will be coming soon.

#### ZION'S ADVENT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Brief rehearsal will take place immediately following the worship service. Song selection for next week is *HWB 178 "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"*.

An invitation from The Canby Center: To celebrate #GIVINGTUESDAY we are inviting the Canby community to a free Holiday Dinner at The Canby Center on Tuesday, December 2 from 6:00-7:30pm. Come share a meal and bring a friend. Together you can learn more about The Canby Center and meet some of the families your partnership impacts. We'd love to see you there!

#### WESTERN MENNONITE SCHOOL Upcoming Dates:

# Parent Night (Community members welcome) | Financing College | December 4, 2014 @ 7:00pm

All are invited to come Learn about college savings plans for elementary/middle school students (it's never too early to start saving), college scholarships, grants, loans, and federal financial aid (FAFSA). Presented by Kyle Mast '03 from Clarity Financial, LLC and Jeff Linder from Grand Canyon University. Invite your friends and neighbors, please RSVP to the school by calling (503)-363-2000.

## Grandparents' Day | December 11

This tradition has become a favorite at WMS as the relationships between our students and their grandparents are celebrated. Call the school to RSVP or to ask questions!



## Primetimers Holiday Trip Monday, December 8

All seniors are invited to join the trip Corvallis to visit the 20th Annual Corvallis Nativity Festival, where 700-800 (or more) nativities are on display. There will be a stop in Albany to see the carousel and then lunch in Corvallis.

## MYF and Jr. Hi Caroling at HOPE Village Sunday, December 14, 6-7:30pm

Meet at the church at 5:00 for the Second Sunday meal and to carpool to Canby.

## Soup's On Wednesday, December 17 at noon

Enjoy soup lunch and fellowship. Invite friends and family.

# Sing Your Own Messiah Saturday, December 20 at 6:30pm

Everyone is welcome to either sing along or just listen and enjoy. Refreshments will follows. (Please bring a prepared finger food to share with guests.)

## Christmas Vespers: Children's Program and Carols Sunday, December 21 at 4:30pm



The children will be singing and sharing letters written to Mary, Joseph, and others. Following the short program, everyone is welcome to join in sing Christmas carols. Refreshments and fellowship will follow (Please bring prepared finger foods to share.)

### Please keep in your prayers:

- All who are traveling this holiday season, for safety, peace and renewal. Pray also for any for whom the season highlights great personal losses and difficult changes.
- From Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Raúl Patiés and his wife, Patricia Liliana Lacsa, church planters sent by the Argentina Mennonite Church to begin a new congregation in Nueva Plata, Argentina.

A prayer to carry through the week: "Almighty God, who came to us long ago in the birth of Jesus Christ, be born in us anew today by the power of your Holy Spirit." From A Guide To Prayer by Reuben Job and Norman Shawchuck

#### **Budget Report:**

A total of \$73,608.28 is needed to meet the 2014 budget.

Flowers:Last SundayThis week: Advent VisualsAttendance: 148Next week: Advent VisualsOffering: \$2,371.00

Nursery:

This week: Luke and Kelsie Sommer Next Week: Wendy Roth, Jaclyn Roth

#### Church Staff:

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