

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.

October 9, 2016

Welcome
Announcements
Call to Worship
Songs
Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Children's Story
Mission Report: The Canby Center
Scripture: Ephesians 2:19-20
Message: "Our Need of Hospitality", Ray Keen
Response Song
Sharing and Prayer
Sending Song
Benediction

After the service, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary for sharing and prayer. Today's Elder is Ken Kauffman.

Worship Leader: Ken Beachy
Song Leader: Lois Yoder
Children's Story: Pat Hershberger

9:00am
9:30am
9:45am
10:45am

5:00pm
5:30pm
6:00pm

Tuesday 10:00am
7:15pm
Wednesday 6:00am
Thursday 9:00am
6:30pm

Worship Schedule:

October 16: Mathew will be preaching "Wrestling With God"
Genesis 32:22-31

October 23: Mathew will be preaching "Like Seeing the Face of God"
Genesis 33:1-11

Pastor Mathew will be out of the office through Wed. Oct. 12.

The Gifts Discernment Committee and the Elders thank you, the congregation, for your prayerful responses in completing the elder survey. Your feedback is extremely helpful in the continued vitality of our church.

Second Sunday

TODAY, 5:00-6:30pm

Everyone is welcome for a light meal at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by group time and activity for kids in K-5th grade.

Jr. Hi will meet separately at 5:30 pm.

Senior Outing to Ulven Co.: The date for the tour has been set for **Wednesday, October 19** followed by lunch out at a local restaurant. If you haven't signed up but are still interested, the sign-up sheet is still posted on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, contact Loren Miller.

My Coins Count

A total of \$1248 in coins has been collected, with an additional \$3000 in matching funds for a grand total of \$4248 to support MCC in their efforts in reaching refugees around the world. Thank you for your abundant generosity! (See Warde next week when he will be selling a collection of foreign coins and miscellaneous items dropped in the bucket.)

The pastoral review survey for both Jana and Mathew is due today. The purpose of a congregational/pastoral review is to affirm and strengthen our pastors and the congregation in their relationship and ministry. When done thoughtfully, prayerfully, and well, evaluations are an important facet of developing a healthy congregation, a congregation in which individuals in community discover and learn the rich and textured life that God desires for his family. Evaluations honor our role as stewards of God's gifts and can help us focus on the purpose for which God calls his people. Conversations that are gracious, candid—and ongoing!—these are expressions of a community that is growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus.

Members and attendees of Zion Mennonite Church who are high school age and older are invited to complete this survey. **We encourage all to participate and to complete the survey online by the end of today.** Paper copies are available in the foyer for those who cannot fill out the survey online.

Please see a PCRC (Pastoral Congregation Relations Committee) member if you have questions: Dennis Russell, Kristin Oakes, Andy Coulombe, Kara Kropf or Joe Parker. You can also contact us at zionpcrc@googlegroups.com.

Thank you for your participation! It is an important and sacred responsibility.

DCC Quilt/Scrapbook Retreat and Work Weekend: The 2016 Fall Quilt and Scrapbook Retreat is coming up October 20-23 at DCC. There will be ample space in the lodge so we thought we'd "feed two birds with one scone" by also hosting volunteers willing to assist with the tear-down and clean-up of the old Caretaker Cabin. Volunteers can arrive anytime Thursday night through Saturday morning and depart when the task is done or sometime on Sunday. If you are available, please contact info@driftcreek.org or call the camp office at 971-600-1244 so they have a lodging and meal count.

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) welcomes donations of money for its disaster response in Haiti, where people are suffering the effects of Hurricane Matthew, which crossed the country Oct. 4. Matthew's high winds and extensive flooding caused significant damage and increased already heightened cholera concerns in the Artibonite Valley, where MCC's long-term reforestation program operates. To donate, visit mcc.org/hurricane-matthew; call 1-888-563-4676 or send a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Tomorrow (Oct. 10) the Hesston College (KS) student body will come together to celebrate the many different ethnicities and backgrounds in the annual Cultures Fair. Pray that the contributions of the cultures represented and celebrated there will further enrich relationships, discipleship and the witness of the college (Mennonite Education Agency)
- Norm and Lillian Nicolson, serving the Mennonite churches of Burkina Faso and leading the Bible translation project in the Siamou language, with a team of native speakers; that God might bless their ministry and provide a childcare worker/ teacher for their children, age 7 and 4 (Mennonite Mission Network)
- The people and churches of Colombia, in the wake of voters' rejection of a peace plan to end the civil war there and reintegrate rebel forces and organizations into society; that peace might finally come to the war-torn nation, and that the churches might be leaders and makers of reconciliation

A prayer to carry through the week:

"The things, Good Lord, that we pray for, give us the grace to labor for." by Thomas More, 16th C. England

Nursery:

This week: Chris Keady, Phyllis Adams

Next Week: Mary and Paul Masingila

Last Sunday

Attendance: 122

Offering: \$8,425.25

Church Staff:

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