

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 9, 2014

WE WELCOME TO OUR PULPIT STANLEY GREEN, Executive Director of Mennonite Mission Network, the mission, witness and service agency of Mennonite Church USA which coordinates not only overseas mission work, but other ministries in which many of Zion's members have served such as SOOP (Service Opportunities for Outstanding—did you really think “Older?”—Persons), Voluntary Service, DOOR (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection), Youth Venture, and more.

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship: from Psalm 67

Leader: Let the nations praise You, O God,

People: Let all the nations praise You.

Singing: *HWB 59 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns*

HWB 26 Holy Spirit, Come with Power

HWB 533 Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

Children's Story

Message: “Breaking Walls—Building Bridges”—Stanley Green

Response Song: *HWB 407 We are People of God's Peace*

Offering

Sharing and Prayer, ending with The Lord's Prayer,

(saying “debts and debtors”

Sending Song: *HWB 420 Heart With Loving Heart United*

Benediction

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

Worship Leader: Mathew Swora
Song Leader: Clyde Hockman
Children's Story: Mathew Swora

If you are visiting, we invite you to complete a Welcome card and drop it in the offering basket.

This Morning:

9:00am

Coffee Time

9:30am

Sunday School Classes for all ages

9:45am

Prayer Team meets

10:45am

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

5:00-6:30pm

Second Sunday/ Jr. Hi

This Week:

Monday 7:00pm

Men's Basketball

Tuesday 7:00pm

Christian Education Commission Mtg

Wednesday 6:00pm

YA Bible Study at Gingerich Barn

Thursday 9:00am

Quilting

Saturday 7:00am

Mennonite Men Breakfast

Worship Schedule:

November 16: Mathew will be preaching. Genesis 1: 26-31 “The Original Blessing,” the first of two messages this year from MCUSA's Body and Soul: Healthy Sexuality curriculum for worship, Christian Education and reflection.

November 23: Mathew will be preaching “Holy Desires”, the second

Zion Mennonite Church supports Mennonite Mission Network in its budget, prayers and your participation in various agencies. If you wish to make an additional offering, you may either give through the website ([/www.mennonitemission.net](http://www.mennonitemission.net)), send a check to MMN, at Mennonite Mission Network, Elkhart Office, PO Box 370, Elkhart, IN 46515-0370, or write a check today to Zion Mennonite Church and indicate “Mennonite Mission Network” in the memo line.

There will be a **Congregational Conversation Meeting** on the evening of **Sunday, November 16, at 6PM**, to learn and discern about MCUSA's Church-wide Statement on Immigration (http://www.mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Immigration_Statement_2014Feb151.pdf), to consider what it calls us to, how we are doing, and how God may be leading us. Copies of the statement are also available on the table in the foyer.

Second Sunday
TONIGHT, 5:00-6:30 pm

Peace with Creation: Caring for creation is an important part of becoming God's Peacemakers. Ericka Gingerich will lead the children in a peace pole exercise. Everyone is welcome for a light meal at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall, followed by group time and activity until 6:30pm for kids in K-6th grade.

Jr. Hi joins the meal and then meets separately from 5:30-6:30

Mennonite Men Breakfast
Saturday, November 15, 7:00AM at Zion
with reporting from Mennonite Disaster Service

ROSIN UP THE BOW, CLEAN OUT THE VALVES, AND BRING YOUR FIDDLE, TRUMPET, CLARINET OR WHATEVER, AND JOIN

ZION'S ADVENT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

which will perform and accompany one Christmas carol or Advent song each Sunday of Advent. To audition, show up the Sunday before, for a brief rehearsal after worship. Participation is the purpose, not perfection. Song selections for Sundays of performance are:

- November 30: Advent 1
HWB 182 "Oh, How Shall I Receive Thee?"
- December 7: Advent 2
HWB 178 "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"
- December 14: Advent 3
HWB 211 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"
- December 21: Advent 4
HWB 212 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

B-flat instruments, *Please remember to transpose from the key in the hymnal.* If you bring a hymnal home to practice, **PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IT BACK!**

MDS Service Opportunity: Kevin Froese announced a service project connected with the Washing Fire near Alta Lake, Pateros, WA, (located 4 hours east of Seattle, WA) for Wednesday through Saturday, November 12-15, 2014. Work includes roofing two carports; hanging sheetrock, windows, and doors in a cabin; winterizing a 16x16 building; and finishing a garage. Lodging will be at the Alta Lake Golf Course. Meals will be covered starting Thursday breakfast to Saturday supper. If you would like to help, please call Clyde Hockman (503-263-1210) for additional information.

Bridging Cultures Annual Thanksgiving Feast.
Saturday, November 22 at 5pm

at Baker Prairie Middle School in Canby

The featured entertainer will be Latin Songstress Jessie Marquez (<http://www.jessiemarquez.com>) The event is free and will feature tamales, turkey, pie, Mexican cake and lots of other great food. There will also be a raffle of gift baskets and plenty of opportunities to meet new friends and neighbors.

There will be a **membership/faith exploration class** during the Sunday morning Christian Education hour that Pastor Mathew will lead, **beginning on November 16**, going at least through November and December. Contact Mathew if you are interested in attending.

Got News? The next edition of *News for the Pews* will be coming out on December 7. If you would like to share something with the congregation in the newsletter, please submit information to the church office no later than Tuesday, November 25.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Chris and Rebecca Strong and family serving on Bolivia
- Chuy Arellano at Shutter Creek Correctional Institution
- From Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for progress in language learning for the Radical Journey team in Southeast Asia. May God bless the use of their new communication skills as they interact with their co-workers and youth at their hosting congregation.

For any work we undertake: *“Thou who didst love to give men food, in room or by the sea, accept the service that I do. I do it unto Thee.”* By Brother Lawrence, “chief cook and bottle washer” in a monastery, 17th C. France

Budget Report:

A total of \$99,514.54 is needed to meet the 2014 budget. There are eight Sundays until the end of the year, which amounts to \$11,689.32 needed per week.

Flowers:

This week: Luella Hostetler
Next week: Darlene Kauffman

Last Sunday

Attendance: 145
Offering: \$3632.88

Nursery:

This week: Megan Gomez, Lanette Willig
Next Week: Irina Herschberger, Sheryl Mast

Church Staff:

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