

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.

April 19, 2015

Welcome

Greeting One Another
Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 103
Prayer

Praising God in Hymns and Song:

10,000 Reasons
HWB 397 God Loves All His Many People
HWB 280 Christ the Lord is Risen Today
HWB 521 Come Thou Fount

Offering Our Gifts

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Story

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

Sermon: "Our Resurrection Identity"

Responding in Faith

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Blessing

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

Worship Leader: Pat Hershberger, Gina Hansen
Song Leader: MYF
Children's Story: Mary Masingila
Prelude: Lois Yoder

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

6:00pm Congregational Conversation

This Week:

Monday 7:00pm Men's Basketball
Wednesday 7:00pm Men's Basketball
Thursday 9:00am Quilting
1:00pm Worship Commission Meeting

Worship Schedule

April 26: Mathew will be preaching "Good Shepherding for Good Shepherds" John 10:11-18

May 3: Jana will be preaching.

THIS EVENING at 6PM there will be a Congregational Conversation on sexuality. A letter from the Elders with information about the focus of the meeting was in literature boxes last week. If you did not receive a copy, please contact the church office. Childcare will be provided, as well as refreshments for a time of fellowship afterward. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Want to know more about Zion Mennonite Church and Mennonite faith? A new faith and membership exploration class of five to six weeks' length during the Sunday Christian Education hour will begin soon, given enough interest. Please let Pastor Mathew Swora if you are interested.

Dinners for 8

If you would like to participate in the May, June, and July Dinners for 8, a sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Please sign up during the month of April. Contact Vonnie Oyer or Sheryl Mast if you have any questions.



It's time to sign-up for summer camp at Drift Creek Camp!

Registration forms are available on the table in the foyer. The deadline for early-bird discount is May 1. See Cynthia Hockman-Chupp, our Drift Creek Camp representative, if you have questions.



Congratulations to Cassie and Steve Miller on the birth of their baby girl, Amalia May, born at 11:47am on Thursday, April 9. She came into the world 20¾ in. long, weighing 7 lbs. and 11 oz.

A baby shower for Cassie and Amalia will be held on Sunday, May 3 at 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. They are registered at Target and Babies R Us.

Cara Ediger's latest ministry report is available to read in the foyer on the missions bulletin board, next to reports and pictures of other ministers and ministries we support. Cara is the sister of Seth Ediger, and works with Wycliffe Bible Translators/Summer Institute of Linguistics as liaison to the governments that host SIL workers.

A new newsletter from Stansberry Children's Home where Chris and Rebeca Strong work is also posted. Rebeca also writes to ask for your prayers for Chris. He was in a motorcycle accident this week and has a swollen and sore leg, although thankfully not broken. They also have been treating a skin infection that Matias has which has been extremely irritable. They are thankful that Wendell and Karen have arrived and are helping them. Please continue to keep them all in your prayers.

IF YOU PLANT IT, IT WILL GROW.....

Vegetable and flower seeds are now available. Please pick some up from the Fellowship Hall foyer, or they will be placed on the sharing table outside after the service. If you would like to help with the church garden, contact Warde Hershberger.



The MYF will host a fundraiser meal next Sunday, April 26 to complete their fundraising for Mennonite Youth Convention. A total of \$2000 is needed to cover the cost of hotel lodging. Those attending the MCUSA Convention in Kansas City June 30--July 5 are Emma Phillips, Alta LaBare, Harrison Gingerich, Camryn Roth, Jared Oyer, and Tristan Oakes. Brianne Vredenburg will be attending as a young adult, as well as Craig and Jana Gingerich as chaperones. Mathew Swora and Joe Parker also will be attending as Zion's delegates. Please keep these people in your prayers as they prepare for the experiences of attending Convention.

The April Semi-annual Member's Meeting will immediately follow the noon meal.

Western Mennonite School Auction

The 43rd Benefit Auction is coming May 2 at the Oregon State Fairgrounds! Please be in prayer for this event as it is the primary source of financial assistance for WMS families seeking Christian Education for their children. *Pies and baked goods are also needed on auction day (No cream pies).* Pie tins can be picked up from the school office.

"Talk the Talk, Walk the Walk for Life". Pregnancy Care Centers of Molalla and Canby are hosting their annual walk-a-thon on Saturday, May 9 in Wait Park in Canby. Pledge envelopes are available on the table in the foyer. If you are interested in participating, more information is posted on the bulletin board. Contact Nancy Beachy with questions.

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"Our Resurrection Identity"
1 John 3:1-3

Why might John have written these words?

What is the good news of healing and comfort in this passage?

What are the challenges and costs?

*To our dearest Zion Mennonite family:
We want to thank you so much for all of your care, love, and support throughout my recent kidney surgery. All prayers and love were felt immensely and truly all are appreciated.
—Thank you, Lorna, Mike and MaKayla Roehm*

Please keep in your prayers:

- Those in our congregation dealing with chronic illnesses, who are under medical or hospice care, such as Delbert Kropf
- Peacemakers in zones of conflict, such as South Sudan, Syria, Iraq and the US/Mexico border zone
- Mark and Mary Hurst, Mennonite Mission Network workers in Australia, as they share their faith and work with Australians toward a more humane treatment of asylum seekers.

A prayer to carry through the week: *“Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”* From the Book of Common Prayer, Anglican.

Nursery:

This week: Ericka Gingerich, Lanette Willig

Next Week: Sheryl Mast, Gloria Gingerich

Last Sunday

Attendance: 131

Offering: \$4,393.85

Church Staff:

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