

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.

July 19, 2015

This morning, those who attended the biennial Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City will be sharing about their experiences.

Welcome
Greeting and Announcements
Call to Worship: Ephesians 2:1-10
Pastoral Prayer
Singing
Slide Show
Sharing: Emma Gingerich, Alta LaBare, Brianne Vredenburg
Offering
Children's Story
Sharing: Harrison Gingerich, Jared Oyer, Tristan Oakes
Mathew Swora
Response Song
Sharing and Prayer
Benediction Song

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

Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich, MYF
Song Leader: MYF, Jana Gingerich
Children's Story: Jared Oyer

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
5:00pm Bethany Chupp shares
This Week:
Monday 9:00am Women's Bible Study at Sheryl Mast's
7:00pm Women's Bible Study at Carolyn Yoder's
7:00pm Men's Basketball
Tuesday 6:30&7:45pm Men's Softball game, Memorial Park
Wednesday 7:00pm Men's Basketball
Thursday 9:00am Quilting
7:45pm Men's Softball game, Memorial Park

Worship Schedule

July 26: VBS Kick-off Service outdoors
August 2: Guest Speaker Fabéadama Traoré

Mathew will be out of the office July 20-27 attending Mennonite World Conference in Harrisburg, PA.

TODAY, at 5:00pm, Bethany Chupp will be sharing about her cross-cultural experience this past semester. Over the course of four months Bethany traveled with a group of 25 EMU students through Jordan, Palestine, Israel, Turkey, Greece, and Italy, studying the Israeli/Palestinian conflict and the lives of Jesus and Paul. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Next Sunday, (July 26) will be our annual VBS Kick-off service outside under the big VBS tent. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. *There will be a potluck meal to follow, so bring a prepared, ready-to-serve potluck dish to share.* Everyone is welcome!



Exodus: The Great Escape

Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 26-Thursday, July 30

6:30-8:45pm

Group leaders are still needed. There is a sign-up sheet posted for snacks. Please leave items in the church kitchen by Sunday, August 26.

Multiple situations of crisis around the world such as Syria, Iraq, Gaza and Ukraine have depleted MCC's warehouse inventory of relief kits. There is an urgent need for up to 2000 relief kits for the hardest hit areas of poverty and war.

One of the Then and Now Activities planned for Vacation Bible School is assembling relief kits for refugees and others in need. Children will have an opportunity to learn about how, why, and where kits are provided and get the hands-on experience of creating a kit. Donations of relief kit items are needed. Please leave items in the church foyer by Sunday, July 26.

<http://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/relief>

Contents (NEW items only, in original packaging)

- 4 large bars bath soap
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (13–24 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (Some stores carry Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote® brands)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs (6–8 in)
- 1 fingernail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40 count, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18–24 count **thin** maxi)



Zion's Summer Reading Club through August 30

Stop by the Library each week to turn in your hours read and check out a new book or two!

READING CAN TAKE YOU TO NEW HEIGHTS!

"EE D'AHN SAY!" MEANS "WELCOME" IN JULA TO PASTOR FABEADAMA TRAORE, our visitor from Burkina Faso, in West Africa, who will return from Mennonite World Conference with Mathew Swora on Monday night, July 27, to spend a week with us. He will tell stories and teach a song during Vacation Bible School, and preach at Zion on August 2. During the Christian Education hour that day he will also share about his life, testimony and ministry, and answer questions you might have for him about our partner churches in West Africa.

Thank you to those who have together already donated \$190 toward the travel expenses for Fabe; \$160 more is still needed. If you wish to contribute, please write a check to Zion Mennonite Church with "MWC Travel" in the memo line. Any excess giving will also go to MWC.

Bridging Cultures Picnic Enchiladas & children's games!

Locust City Park in Canby
Saturday, July 25 at 11:30 AM



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You are invited to a baby shower for Kelsey Sommer on Sunday, August 2 at 3pm in the Fellowship Hall. Kelsey and Luke are expecting a baby girl in late September. Please bring your favorite children's book to bless the new family.

Thank you for all the prayers, hugs, and the visit from David and Ericka on behalf of the Good Cheer committee. My brother, Harry, passed away on July 11 after a very short illness. I am thankful for the recent visit I had with him. I was able to fly back to attend the memorial service as well. I am blessed to part of this church family.
—Florence Regier

Thank you so much to everyone who has provided both financial and prayer support for my YWAM mission trip. I would not have had the opportunity to do this without the support of our church. Thank you for allowing God to use you to help me serve others and grow to know Him more.
—Karli Mast

Please keep in your prayers:

- Zion's Vacation Bible School ministry, and all who are preparing for and participating in it, as well as those whom it will serve.
- Mennonite World Conference this week in Harrisburg, PA, and all who are traveling and attending, including those from Zion MC, such as Pr. Mathew Swora, Warde and Pat Hershberger and Wanda Rohrer-Heyerly.
- Wes and Deb Bergen, who live and teach at Good News Theological College and Seminary in Benin, West Africa. Wes teaches the regular curriculum of the seminary, and Deb works as consultant psychiatrist with the Mobile Member Care Team.

Harold Hoschstetler passed away Wednesday morning, July 15. A memorial service will be held today at 6:00pm at the Albany Mennonite Church. Harold was for many years the conference minister for Pacific Coast Conference.

A prayer to carry through the week: *"O Lord, support us all day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen."* John Henry Newman

Nursery:

This week: Stephanie Roth, Kristin Amstutz

Next Week: Nursery Not Staffed

Last Sunday

Attendance: 16

Offering: \$4,939.07

MWC: \$40

Church Staff:

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