# 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 1, 2015

### "SINCE WE ARE SURROUNDED BY SO GREAT A CLOUD OF

**WITNESSES"** we are joining many other churches around the world today to celebrate *All Saints' Day*, a day to remember, reflect upon and celebrate our eternal union and our coming reunion with all in "The Church Triumphant," our destiny and identity.

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE FAYE SWARTZENDRUBER'S RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP**. Faye grew up in this congregation, and has represented Christ, his kingdom and us over many years of Christian mission work in Mexico. It is an honor to have her back with us, as well as to have an ongoing connection with the churches and Christians she loves and has served.

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 12: 18-24

Call to Worship

Songs:

HWB #14 Come, we that love the Lord HWB #43 Christ is our cornerstone HWB #323 Beyond a dying sun

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Celebration of Membership: Faye Swartzendruber

Children's Story

Scripture Reading: Revelation 21: 1-6a

Reflections and Reminiscences on The Church Triumphant

Response Song: Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song: HWB #636 For All The Saints, verses. 1,4,7,8

Benediction

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: Ken Kauffman Song Leader: Louise Gingerich Children's Story: Carol Miller This Morning:

9:00am Coffee Time

9:30am Sunday School for all ages

10:45am Worship Service
Noon MYF fundraiser Meal

Semi-Annual Member's Meeting

This Afternoon/Evening

No Activities

This Week:

Wednesday 7:00pm Bible Study—Skylight Room

Thursday 9:00am Mennonite Women

**Worship Schedule** 

November 8: World Mission Sunday. Mark 12:28-37, "The War of

the New Son of David"

November 15: Mark 12:13-17, "The Temple Trap"

Pastor Mathew Swora will be out of town from Tuesday afternoon through Thursday of this week (November 3-5) for the annual Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference Pastor's Retreat.

# **Praying for our Pastors**

Pastor Appreciation Month is a great reminder for acknowledging and appreciating our pastors. However, don't forget about the rest of the year! Continue to offer them support and encouragement, and especially remember to lift them in prayer:

Knowing that our pastors are a vital part of our ministry and wanting to partner with them, I will faithfully lift Mathew and Jana to the Lord for His blessing on their lives, families, and ministries. Specifically, I will pray for them for

Protection

People (families)

Preaching and Teaching

Perception—Wisdom in decisions and counsel

Passion—emotional strength

Perseverance—physical strength

**Priorities** 

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

# **Canning Event**

We are excited to announce another Canning Event here at Zion's kitchen on Friday, November 20 from 5:30-8pm. We will be canning jam from summer berries. If you have saved any berries for this, please let Serenity know. Any folks who would like to attend and/or help with this, a sign up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the foyer. This is a beautiful way to share the Mennonite love of canning and Jesus with our friends and community. Please invite a special someone that you would like to get to know a little better. If you have any questions, contact Serenity Coulombe.

## Wreaths for Sale

Juana Cortez is making wreaths again this holiday season. Andy and Serenity Coulombe are continuing to support and help her with a business plan. An order form will be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have any questions, contact Serenity.

### **Pie Bakers Wanted**

Mary Masingila is looking for people to bake one or two pumpkin pies for a total of 13 pies for the Bridging Cultures Thanksgiving meal. The meal will be on Saturday, November 21 at 5:00pm. Mary can deliver your pies or you can deliver them to Baker Prairie Middle School two hours before the meal.

In addition, everyone is invited to attend this annual multicultural event. The dinner is free and a wonderful opportunity to fellowship and meet new friends.

## Free!

The Library has been cleaning house. There are books and other items in the hallway just outside the Library workroom. Feel free to take anything that interests you.

Our heartfelt thanks for the many expressions of love and appreciation in October, for Pastors' Appreciation Month, that we received. We feel the same about Zion. May the warmth be shared and felt with all, by all, all year.

—Mathew and Becky Swora

# Fill a Bottle, Save a Life Pregnancy Care Centers

Today is the last day to donate to the Pregnancy Care Center fundraiser. Bottles are available on the table in the foyer. Fill it with coin, currency or a check (made payable to Pregnancy Care Centers) and leave it in the foyer. With questions, contact Karen Amstutz.



## Red Cross Blood Drive Wednesday, November 11 2pm—7pm

To schedule an appointment contact 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org; sponsor code HubbardZion

## Drift Creek Camp Annual Meeting November 13-15, 2015

The annual member's meeting for The Mennonite Camp Association of Oregon is held in early November at Drift Creek Camp. Members and Friends are encouraged to participate. Regular events include the annual business meeting on Saturday morning, children's activities, benefit auction, Sunday morning worship, good fun, food and fellowship. Online registration open now.

http://www.driftcreek.org/programs/annual-meeting/

### **WMS NEWS:**

## Visitors Day | November 11

Students in grades 5-12 and their parents are invited to join us for our next visitors day on November 11! Students will spend the day with a WMS student and parents will have the opportunity to sit in on a class and have a Q&A session with school administrators. Lunch will be provided for all visitors. Please register online at www.WesternMennoniteSchool.org or call Rich Martin at 503.363.2000.

## Please Join us in Prayer!

Western Mennonite School's Spiritual Renewal Week will be held November 16-20. Please join us in praying for the speaker, students and staff involved in leading worship, and for the hearts of our student body, especially those who do not have a relationship with God!

### Please keep in your prayers:

- All the leaders of Zion Mennonite Church who are going into new positions of leadership, or who are continuing in leadership, as discerned and affirmed in our business meeting today.
- The Israel School of the Bible, the first Hebrew language Bible school in the Holy Land since the days of the Apostles, says a Mission Network professor who has taught there ever since it was founded, 25 years ago. Please pray also that the Israeli and Arab students attending it would be agents of gospel peacemaking in their respective communities (Mennonite Mission Network).
- Students, faculty and staff at Eastern Mennonite Seminary, that they would continue to be formed in Christ for leadership in the world (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: "Lord, I am yours; I do yield and leave myself entirely to You, and I believe You accept me. Work in me all the good pleasure of Your will, and I will only lie in Your hands and trust you." by Hannah Whitall Smith, 19th C.

Nursery:

This week: Serenity Coulombe,

Wanda Rohrer-Heyerly

Next Week: Stephanie Moyer, Bri Ediger

**Last Sunday** 

Attendance: Offering:

#### Church Staff:

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