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.

<u>March 20, 2016</u>



Living Ink.

Prelude: WMS Choir Students Scripture Reading: Luke 19:29-40 Opening Hymn: *HWB 238 Hosanna, loud hosanna* (as children enter with palm branches waiving) Singing: *HWB 68 O come, loud anthems let us sing* Welcome and Announcements Call to Worship: Isaiah 59:20-21 Western Mennonite High School Choir Offering Children's Story Scripture Reading: Luke 19:39-40 Message: "The Stones Will Cry Out" Response Song: *HWB 117 Fairest Lord Jesus* Pastoral Prayer Sending Song: WMS Choir

The Choir will be joining us for a potluck meal in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. Everyone is welcome!

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: Jana Gingerich Children's Story: Dennis Russell

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 for all ages	
10:45am	Worship Service	
Noon	Potluck Fellowship Meal	
	Th	iis Afternoon/Evening:
5:45pm	Jr. Hi meets at Church	
6:15pm	Vespers Service, Marquis Center Hope Village	
		This Week:
Wednesday	12:15pm	Lenten Prayer Service
	1:30pm	Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting
Thursday	9:00am	Quilting
	6:30pm	Maundy Thursday service
Saturday	5:00pm	Movie and Clay Activity
Worship Schedule:		

March 27: Easter Sunday: John 20:1-18; I Cor. 15:19-36 "Defeating the Last Enemy" April 3: John 20:19-31; "Peace Be With You"

<u>Small Group Interest Form</u>: Please take a moment to complete a *Small Group Interest Form*. Additional copies are available on the table in the foyer. Zion's Pastoral Leadership Team encourages and supports small groups. What might your need be for a small group?

A planning committee is being formed in preparation for Zion hosting the PNMC Annual Meeting June 23-25. Volunteers are needed to help with multiple aspects of planning for the conference—worship services, entertainment, seminar sessions, adult and youth activities (on-site and off site), lodging arrangements, meal preparation and kitchen help, audio/visual, and all other logistics. If you are interested in being a member of the planning committee, or being available to volunteer during the conference, please contact the church office. A committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 22 at 10AM in the Church Office. Anyone interested is welcome and asked to attend. Got News? The next edition of <u>News for the Pews</u> will be out on April 3. If you would like to share something with the congregation in the church newsletter, please submit information to the church office no later than Friday, March 25.

COMING UP AT DRIFT CREEK CAMP:

Women's Retreat, April 8-10, with guest speaker Marlene Bogard, executive director of Mennonite Women USA. Information and registration details on <u>www.driftcreek.org</u>

Nature Camp, April 29-May 1. Guests can participate in a variety of offerings including geo-caching, nature journaling, plant and tree identification, stream study and those who are feeling adventurous can hit the road on their mountain bikes. Details and registration are available at <u>www.driftcreek.org</u>.

Summer Camp, June 17-July 10. Early bird discount due by April 30. Registration/information available online.

Thank you to my church family and friends for your prayers, cards, and flowers. Our God is good! It is a comfort to know we can count on each other. Thank you! -Joe Harris

We appreciate the love and support shown to us from the church family with the passing of my wife, Donita. Thank you so much.

-William Garber and family

Lenten Prayer Service Wednesdays through Easter 12:15-1:00pm in the Sanctuary



Maundy Thursday Service

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 24</u> at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary, which will include a footwashing ceremony.

Good Friday Services

Community-wide Good Friday services, including communion, <u>Friday, March 25</u> at 5PM and again at 7PM, at New Life Foursquare Church, 2350 SE Territorial Rd. in Canby.

Family Night—Movie and Clay Activity Saturday, March 26 from 5:00-8:00pm

Andy and Serenity Coulombe are excited to host another movie night to watch the movie "Miracle Maker" again. The movie will show in the gym, so bring pillows, chairs, jammies, or whatever is most comfortable for you. After the movie there will be a time of expressing our imaginations with clay tiles (thank you, Doug Berkey!). These tiles will be fired and displayed as a beautiful piece of art for our church building, reminding us of the celebration of Easter. This is for EVERYONE. We hope for this to be a fun and memorable multi-generational gathering for Zion. Also, bring your favorite snack to enjoy before and during the movie.

Easter Breakfast and Easter Service Sunday, March 27



Easter breakfast will be served from 8:30-9:15am. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board; please RSVP (suggested donation of \$2.00 per person). Menu: Little Smokies, Deviled Eggs, Cinnamon Rolls,

Fruit Salad, juice and coffee/tea. We will again have a "Blooming Cross" for those wishing to add fresh cut flowers to the cross symbolizing the new life of Jesus' resurrection.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Zion's members and friends currently living or serving abroad, such as Wendell Amstutz, Chris and Rebeca Strong and family, Raul and Megan Gomez and family, Faye Swartzendruber, Justin Hansen
- Western Mennonite Choir who is worshipping with us today, and who will be on tour for the upcoming week of spring break.
- "...our brothers and sisters in parts of the world we cannot name for their safety who are unable to celebrate [Easter] openly due to persecution. We pray for their comfort with the words the LORD spoke to exiled Israel in Jeremiah: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you'" (Jeremiah 31:3 NRSV)—Mennonite World Conference.
- The Bethel College Concert Choir on tour this week in Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado, and their director, William Easch, for their safety, health and the moving of the Spirit through their ministry in song (Mennonite Education Agency)
- Jim and Paula Hanes, Mennonite Mission Network workers serving in Senegal, that the witness of their love and words will faithfully represent Christ. (MMN)

A prayer to carry through the week:

"All that I am and all that I have are yours, O Lord. Yet you serve me more than I serve you." Thomas A. Kempis, 15th C. Holland

Nursery:

Last Sunday

This week: Bri Ediger, Jennifer Gingerich Next Week: Karen Amstutz, Carolyn Gingerich Attendance:107 Offering: \$2,455.50

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