### 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.

March 6, 2016

# Living Ink



GATHERING
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship
Prayer of Invocation

CONFESSING AND RECONCILING Prayer of Confession and Reconciliation Singing:

HWB 285 All hail the power HWB 26 Holy Spirit come with power Children's Story Offering

**HEARING GOD'S WORD** 

Scripture Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Drama: From the files of Dr. Sigmund Schringck:

"The Case of The Elder Brother"

RESPONDING TO THE STORY

Response Song: HWB 139 Far far away from my loving father

Kingdom Report: Vida Feliz

**Sharing and Prayer** 

Closing Song: HWB 145 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Benediction

After the service, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary for sharing and prayer. Today's Elder is Ken Beachy. Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich Song Leader: Harrison Gingerich and MYF 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 for all ages

10:45am Worship Service

Noon Fundraiser meal for Vida Feliz Sr. Center

This Afternoon/Evening:

6:00pm Karli Mast sharing in the gym

This Week:

Tuesday 7:00pm Church Council Meeting Wednesday 12:15pm Lenten Prayer Service

Thursday 9:00am Quilting

Saturday 7:00am Mennonite Men Breakfast

**Worship Schedule:** 

March 13: Fifth Sunday of Lent: Philippians 3:4b-14

"That I May Know Christ"

March 20: Palm Sunday: Luke 19:28-40

"The Stones Will Cry Out!"

<u>Small Group Interest Form</u>: Please take a moment to fill out the Small Group Interest Form insert in your bulletin. Zion's Pastoral Leadership Team encourages and supports small groups. What might your need be for a small group?

#### **TODAY at NOON**

**Fundraiser Meal for** 

Vida Feliz Senior Center in El Torno, Bolivia

**MENU:** 

Barbacoa (beef in chile sauce, not spicy hot)

Frijoles, Rice, and Tortilla

**Veggie Salad** 

Bolivian Cuñapé (tapioca cheese balls)

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THIS EVENING AT 6PM, KARLI MAST WILL BE SHARING a slide show, with pictures from her time in New Zealand and Fiji along with stories of what she learned during her DTS (Discipleship Training School) with YWAM (Youth With A Mission) and how the Lord moved in her life and in the lives of the people she met along the way. MYF will be providing snacks!

# Mennonite Men Breakfast Saturday, March 12, 7:00am Fellowship Hall

A FIESTA! A GIFT IS BEING OFFERED TO US, in gratitude for help received from Zion Mennonite Church in the recent past, of a free pozole (a delicious Mexican hominy soup) lunch after worship on Sunday, April 10, in Zion's Fellowship Hall. No offering is being asked nor received for this meal; it is simply offered in honor and love of us, and our sharing of this meal will keep the honor and love flowing. More information on the gift and the giver will come on that day.

#### Informative webinar

Everence Financial will present an informational webinar, Understanding long-term care insurance, on Wednesday, March 23, at 2 p.m. or 8 p.m. (EDT). Financial Advisor Craig Foor, CLU®, ChFC®, CASL® will discuss how you can cover the high cost of long-term care — without wiping out your life savings. He'll also talk about ensuring quality of care and maintaining your independence. You'll get the information you need to make informed decisions. There will be time for your questions. To participate, contact Melissa Short: (800) 222-5054 ext. 3392 or melissa.short@everence.com. Or visit our website at everence.com/direct.

Register now for Sent 2016: A gathering of Mennonites planting Jesus-centered communities, March 31–April 2 in New Orleans. This church planting summit is open to people who are testing a call to church planting as well as church planters, pastors, missiologists and conference leaders. Participants will explore concrete ways to work together more strategically across the church and will launch a national church planting network for ongoing learning and collaboration. Spanish translation will be provided. Hosts: Pastor Karl Bernhard and *Iglesia Amor Viviente*. Sponsors: Mennonite Mission Network and Mennonite Church USA. The registration fee is \$60 (includes meals); a shared hotel room costs \$80/person per night (must book by March 10). Lodging and travel scholarships are available. Learn more and register at mennoniteusa.org/sent.

### **Lenten Prayer Service**

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



### Palm Sunday Service

Sunday, March 20

The Western Mennonite School Choir will be singing during the worship service. A potluck meal will follow at noon. Everyone is invited, and encouraged to bring an extra dish to share as the Choir will be joining us for the meal and fellowship.

#### Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, March 24 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

## **Good Friday Services**

Community-wide Good Friday services, <u>Friday</u>, <u>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:

- Willie Garber, and all his family, following the death this week of his wife of 69 years, Donita Garber.
- The Eastern Mennonite University students embarking on service projects during their week of spring break vacation through the YMCA (Mennonite Education Agency)
- Mennonite Mission workers in Burkina Faso, for their protection, thanking God for the safety and security they already experienced during last year's coup attempt and an attack on foreigners last January at a hotel in the capital city, Ouagadougou, in which seven short-term mission workers from another agency were killed (Mennonite Mission Network).
- Pray for the 26 new pastors recently ordained by the Mennonite Church of Vietnam. (Mennonite World Conference)

A prayer to carry through the week: "Lead me after you by the strings of Your love." Francois Fenelon, 17th C. France

The 44th Annual Quilting Workshop was once again a huge success. Thank you to everyone who had a part in helping make it so! A total of \$5,719 was received in donations for Vida Feliz Senior Center in El Torno, less \$643.46 in expenses for the soup lunch. One Fair World sold \$5,143 worth of merchandise.

**Nursery:** 

This week: Sheryl Mast, Julie Yoder Next Week: Karen Kropf, Elizabeth Masingila **Last Sunday** 

Attendance: 134 Offering: \$5287.51 Cookbooks \$100

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