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 17, 2016

WE WELCOME TO ZION MENNONITE CHURCH TODAY JENNIFER DELANTEY AND IRIS DE LEON-HARTSHORN, to share with us about the Doctrine of Discovery and the work of a Mennonite coalition, including MC USA, Mennonite Central Committee, Mennonite Creation Care Network, and other agencies, under the title, *Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery*. This coalition addresses matters of Native Peoples' rights all around the world, and their control of their own land and resources in light of Christian faith and history. Jennifer is Moderator of Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference, and Iris is Director of Transformative Peacemaking for MC USA. Jennifer will share in the sanctuary during the Christian Education hour, and Iris will bring today's message during worship.

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship: Psalm 24, HWB 815
Singing
Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Children's Story

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:46-55; HWB 840

Luke 16:19-31

Message—Iris de Leon-Hartshorn Response Song Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song 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: Andy Coulombe Song Leader: Charlie Gingerich 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

This Afternoon/Evening:

6:00 pm MYF meets at Jana's

This Week:

Wednesday 12:15pm Prayer Gathering

Thursday 9:00am Quilting

1:30pm PLT Meeting at Zion

Worship Schedule:

<u>April 24:</u> Mathew will be preaching "Christian Mission as Reconciliation" Rev. 7:9-17

May 1: Mathew will be preaching "Reconciliation: The Divine

Game Plan" Acts 11: 1-18

Zion will be hosting the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference annual meeting starting on Thursday evening of June 23 through Saturday evening of June 25. The theme of this year's assembly is "Tell Me The Story" based on Psalm 107:13. We will need people to host guests in their homes, serve as greeters and ushers, work in the nursery, help in the kitchen and to serve meals, operate the sound system, and help with the youth and children's programs. If you are able to help out in one of these positions, please contact Stan Oyer.

Dinners for 8

It's time again! If you would like to participate in the May, June, and July round of Dinners for 8, please sign up during the month of April. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Contact Vonnie Oyer or Sheryl Mast if you have any questions.

April Semi-Annual Member's Meeting Sunday, April 24, immediately following MYF fundraiser meal at noon

Menu: Taco Salad, French Bread, and Chocolate Éclair Cake

The affirmation ballot will include the following positions. Please be in prayer for those who have agreed to serve and for those who are still being sought, that there would be an openness and willingness to accept and serve in leadership roles. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Gift Discernment Committee (Sheila Kauffman, Callan Berkey, Jeremy Gingerich, Luanne Berkey)

Adult Sunday School Superintendent (1 yr term)—open
Primary Sunday School Superintendent (1 yr term)—2 open
position

Junior High Leaders (1 yr term)—Joel and Irina Herschberger Library Committee (3 yr term)—-Sheri Nofziger Music Committee—(1 yr term) Seth Gingerich, Karie Smucker, Karen Tro

Gift Discernment Committee (3 yr term)—Luanne Berkey* (*appointed by Church Council March 2016)

MCC/MMN Representative (3 yr term)—Warde Hershberger

I wanted to take a moment to send a note of gratitude to Zion. Thank you for financially supporting my college experience and for holding me in your prayers these last few years. I am constantly reminded of how blessed I am to be part of a community that has nourished and encouraged my spirit since childhood.

—Blessings to you all, Bethany Chupp

The Canby Center is looking for volunteers to help with their Spring Cleaning Day on Saturday, April 23 from 9-noon. Lunch will be provided. There is yardwork, painting, cleaning, and general building maintenance to be done. If you can help, contact Kelley at 503-266-2920 or email kelley@thecanbycenter.org

COMING UP AT DRIFT CREEK CAMP:

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 www.driftcreek.org.

REGISTER FOR DCC SUMMER CAMPS, June 17-July 15. Early bird discount due by <u>April 30</u>. Registration/information available online.

Did you know that around 10-15 Zion attendees are singing in the Canby High School Alumni Choir?

Canby High School Alumni Choir and Canby High School Concert Choir will be giving concerts on:

Saturday, April 30 at 7:00pm with CHS Men's and Women's Choir Sunday, May 1st at 3:00pm with CHS Mixed Choir

At the Canby High School Performing Arts Center

Tickets are \$6 each and available at the door. Proceeds benefit the Canby High School Music Department

Mennonite Central Committee Relief Kits

MCC has announced an urgent need for relief kits for people in countries like Syria, Ukraine, and Honduras. Can we help them replenish the stock, with each Zion household bringing contents for one complete kit?

Kit Contents (NEW items only, in original packaging)

- 4 large bars bath soap
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (13–24oz; 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)

*If you cannot find the laundry soap, we will purchase this separately.

Don't have time to shop? Checks can be made out to Zion Mennonite Church with "MCC Relief Kits" in the subject line. We'll use the money for soap and/or shipping costs.

Kits will be collected through Sunday, May 8.

Please place all items in a box or large bag and leave in the sanctuary foyer.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Chuy Arellano, who will be released from prison in a month; that God will make fruitful his remaining time and ministry there, and that God will bless and guide his transition
- The people and country of Angola, the medical system, and our partner churches of the Mennonite World Conference as they respond to the current epidemic of yellow fever in that southwest African country (Mennonite World Conference)
- Susan and Wally Fahrer, who have led and provided an Anabaptist ministry and witness in the United Kingdom since 1982
 (Mennonite Mission Network)
- The attendees and agencies represented at the Education Leaders Gathering in Sarasota, FL this weekend, that their meetings and sessions will bear eternal fruit in many lives, and for travel mercies as they return home (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: "Most high and glorious God, enlighten the darkness of my heart and give me true faith, certain hope and perfect charity, sense and knowledge, Lord, that I might carry out your holy and true command." St. Francis of Assisi, 13th C. Italy

Nursery:

This week: Luke and Kelsey Sommer Next Week: Stacy Berkey, Lanette Willig Last Sunday

Attendance:152 Offering: \$6,318

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