

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 24, 2016

Vacation Bible School ***Jesus: The Upside Down Mission***

Welcome
Announcements
Songs
Drama
Offering
Message: "Lord, Make Me Like You"
Drift Creek Camp Testimonies
Sharing and Prayer
Sending Song
Benediction

Everyone is invited and encouraged to stay for the potluck meal immediately following the service. We will be eating and fellowshiping under the tent.

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

Worship Leader: Mathew Swora
Song Leader: VBS Band

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

9:00am
9:30am
9:45am
10:45am
Noon

6:30pm

Tue-Thur
Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

This Morning:

Coffee Time
Sunday School for all ages
Prayer Team meets
Worship Service
Church Potluck

This Afternoon/Evening

VBS Begins

This Week:

6:30-8:30pm Vacation Bible School
10:00am Bible Study in Library
6:30&7:45pm Men's Softball Game at Memorial Park
6:00am Men's Bible Study at Gerald Mast's
12:15pm Prayer Meeting
1:30pm PLT Meeting at Jana's
9:00am Quilting
9:00pm Men's Softball Game at Memorial Park

Worship Schedule:

July 31: Mathew will be preaching "Being Rich Toward God"
Luke 12:13-21

August 7: MYF led Hymn Sing



On Sunday, August 7, the MYF will be leading a Hymn Sing in the gym for our worship service, following breakfast which runs from 9:30-10:15am. Remember, there is no Sunday School for the month of August. Regular worship services will continue to begin at 10:45. Come and join us, with a favorite hymn in mind!

YOU ARE INVITED TO DROP IN down the road at Whiskey Hill Arabians & Kennels (right across from 91 School, at Whiskey Hill and Meridian roads) this afternoon from 1:30 PM on, to support their canned food drive (bring at least two items) for Jubilee Food Pantry in Hubbard, and for the potluck food, music, and a chance to meet neighbors and friends.

Vacation Bible School
Jesus: The Upside Down Mission
July 24-28, 2016
6:30-8:30pm

VBS begins tonight! Everyone who is involved is asked to meet this evening at 5:45pm for a Staff Meeting in the foyer outside the church offices. Group Leaders can pick up their supplies in the foyer anytime this morning.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the Community Gathering worship time each evening of Bible School. It begins at 6:40pm Sunday--Wednesday and 7:45pm on Thursday. The offering this year will be designated to The Canby Center, specifically for purchasing new backpacks which will be filled with school supplies by local area churches for underprivileged children.

Zion's Summer Reading Olympics
Through August 31

Don't forget to turn in your hours read each week!

A service opportunity awaits! On August 19 and 20 the prayer house that is part of the former "Peace Mennonite Church" will get reroofed. The buildings on this property were donated to the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference a number of years ago, and currently there are two PNMC churches that worship there. One is Anawim, which is a homeless ministry, and the other is Bethel City International, which is a French speaking Congolese congregation. The prayer house is a single story residential building and the roof is not very steep. All skill levels are needed. Please contact Todd Lehman (503-351-9743) if you are able to participate on one or both days.

We cannot thank the Zion congregation enough for the meaningful farewell and commissioning service that was shared with us as we left for Virginia for Seminary studies. Your heartfelt goodbyes linger with us as we set up house here and get accustomed to new surroundings. We are also overwhelmed by the generosity of those who blessed us with a love offering. It is a great help to us and dearly appreciated. We thank Zion for its continued support of us in prayer and finance as we as a family seek to serve God and the church as I study here at Eastern Mennonite Seminary. Our new address is 1086 Smith Ave. Harrisonburg, VA 22802. Drop by for a visit anytime!

*— With grateful hearts,
David, Ericka, Liliana and Josiah Gingerich*

DCC's summer camps wrapped up last week. The season was filled with many joys, moments of wonder; belly laughs and tender exchanges. There were thoughts to ponder; quiet times to revel and evenings of enthusiastic worship under the night sky, encircled with love. It was a sweet, sweet summer....and none of it would have been possible were it not for congregations like you who sent your campers. Thank you! We are also deeply grateful for the way God's love flowed through a dedicated and delightful team of counselors. The community was blessed by the generous spirits and humble hearts of each one who came to serve. We had the privilege of watching the summer staff share grace, knowledge and wisdom with one another in ways that were hopeful, gentle, loving and kind. The blessings were abundant!

—With love and a grateful heart....Brenda and Tony

To our friends at Zion Mennonite Church: Thank you for participating in the Baby Bottle Boomerang. Your church blessed the Pregnancy Care Center ministry by donating \$94.03 from January 1 to July 13, 2016. Thank you so very much for your generous support.

—Pregnancy Care Centers Board of Directors

Hope Village invites you to their annual Bluegrass and Blueberries Concert on Thursday, August 11 at 6:00pm. Tickets are free, with a limit of two per person. Music will be performed by The Bethel Mountain Band and Jericho Road, with blueberry pie and ice cream served. More information is posted on the bulletin board.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Zion's VBS, which starts this evening and continues through Thursday night, and the directors, volunteers, attendees and families involved in it.
- The people, the churches, and the combatants in Colombia's 52-year civil war, as the government and the guerillas have recently signed a bilateral ceasefire, and as they work toward re-integrating rebel fighters and communities. May God provide wisdom, guidance and strength in this process, especially to the Anabaptist churches and agencies in Colombia who have long worked for peace there (Mennonite World Conference)
- The Journey International Teams that have just begun meeting at Community Mennonite Church in the Chicago area for a week of orientation, that they may be prepared for and open to the new experiences, opportunities and insights that await the new members of this program (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Members of the incoming class at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN., as they arrive, adjust and begin their seminary studies (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: *"Grant to us, O Lord...that while all earthly things around us pass away, we may even now hold those things which last forever."* St. Leo, 5th C. AD

Nursery:

This week: Nursery Not Staffed
Next Week: Nursery Not Staffed

Last Sunday

Attendance: 91
Offering: \$2775

Church Staff:

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