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 31, 2016

Gathering Prelude **Welcome**

Announcements

Call to Worship

L: Give thanks to the Lord, proclaim God's greatness

P: Tell the nations what God has done

L: Sing praise to the Lord

P: Tell the wonderful things God has done

L: Be glad that we belong to God

P: Let all who worship God --Rejoice

L: The Lord is our God; God's commands are for all the world

P: God will keep his covenant forever; God's promises last for a thousand generations Praise the Lord!

Praising God in Hymns and Songs

HWB 521, Come thou fount

HWB 407 We are people of God's peace

HWB 544 When we walk with the Lord

HWB 392 Heart and mind, possessions, Lord

Offering Our Gifts

VBS Report

Pastoral Prayer Children's Story

Scripture: Luke 12:13-21

Sermon: "Being Rich Toward God"

Responding in Faith

Song: HWB 544 When we walk with the Lord

Sharing and Prayer

Sending

HWB 422 Bwana awabariki (May God grant you a blessing) Benediction/Blessing

After the service, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary for sharing and prayer. Today's Elder is Ken Kauffman. Worship Leader: Pat Hershberger Song Leader: Wendell Amstutz Children's Story: Vonnie Oyer

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

9:45am Prayer Team meets 10:45am Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

6:00pm MYF at Jana's

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library

Wednesday 6:00am Men's Bible Study at Gerald Mast's

12:15pm Prayer Meeting

7:00pm Women's Bible Study at Luanne

Berkey's

Thursday 9:00am Quilting

Worship Schedule:

August 7: MYF led Hymn Sing

August 14: Mathew will be preaching "What Sacrifices Remain?"

Hebrews 13:1-8;15-16



August 7—September 4 Coffee Time: 9:30-10:15am

No Sunday School

Worship Service: 10:45am

Next Sunday, August 7, the MYF will be leading a Hymn Sing <u>in</u> 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!

what is the spirit saying through the church about worship? Zion's Worship Commission and pastors invite feedback and reflections from you about your experience of worship. One Sunday a month (unbeknown to the worship leader and preacher) a member of the Worship Commission will invite a few people to fill out a form with a few questions about the service and the message. They are to return it to that member or put it in his or her church mailbox, preferably that same Sunday, for the benefit of the commission, the pastors and the worship leaders, who will not know the respondents' name. When you are one of those invited, we hope you are willing.

OUR CONFERENCE MATERIALS ON THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY ARE AVAILABLE TO VIEW AND REFLECT UPON in the hallway next to the gym. There are also some paper and pens for writing any questions, reflections or responses to this topic that Pastor Mathew Swora will pass on to the leaders and sponsors of MC USA's Doctrine of Discovery project. They came too late for our regional district conference assembly to view, and remain with us at Zion MC until going to the next reserved location. They will be up and available for study and reflection through the month of August.



Sunday morning Coffee Time is looking for new volunteers! If you would like to help in the kitchen one or two times a month, serving and cleaning up after breakfast, please contact Luanne Berkey or Sheryl Mast.

Jesus: The Upside Down Mission

Thank you to the many, many volunteers who helped with this year's Vacation Bible School! Zion's dedication to and enthusiasm for VBS is remarkable, as evidenced below:

Number of Volunteers: 60+ Average Attendance: 85 Total Number Enrolled: 107 Campships Awarded: 84

Bibles Awarded: 4

Number of Families Reached: 76

Offering Total for Canby Center Backpacks: \$1086.78

(\$8.33 per new back pack to be filled by donations of

school supplies from local area churchés)

Activities Experienced: Group Games (from DCC)

God's Great Feast (serving less fortunate)

Olive Press (olive tasting)

Luxurious Home (create mosaic tiles)

Humble Home (included footwashing)

Banners (collaborative art created 4 new banners)

Zion's Summer Reading Olympics

Through August 31

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

Mennonite Author Book Signing: Marty Troyer, *The Gospel Next Door*

As Christians, we pray for God's kingdom to come "on earth as it is in heaven." But what does that even mean? Would we recognize God's kingdom if it moved in next door? Author Marty Troyer addresses these questions in his book *The Gospel Next Door.* Join Troyer Sunday afternoon August 7 from 4-7pm for a Book Release & Signing Party at Silverton Oregon's Main St. Bistro (201 E. Main St.) This is a new resource from Herald Press, that explores how to see and join the work of Jesus right where we live.

Marty is Wendy Roth's brother. He is a pastor at Houston Mennonite Church. Wendy or Pat Hershberger have more information if you are interested.

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.

Dinners for 8

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

My Coins Count Collection on Sunday, August 14

Coins add up! Each year spare change collected by churches, children, and families add up to more than \$600,000 for MCC's work around the world. Bring your spare change and the children will collect it as they go forward for children's story time.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Today is the first day of the MCC Fund raising event in the NW where 86 bikers will ride the San Juan Islands for a week.
 Please be in prayer for this group as there is much opportunity for accident or injury. Pray for safety and much fellowship as bicyclists enjoy each other's company, the beautiful islands and at the same time raise money for MCC.
- Thanksgiving for all those who participated in any way in this
 past week's Vacation Bible School at Zion Mennonite Church,
 and all the energy, wisdom, time and love that went into it;
 may all who participated grow and be blessed by it.
- Thanks for the many teachers, staff and administrators who work hard to show God's love to students and provide them with encouraging learning (Mennonite Education Agency)
- Lillian and Norm Nickolson, and their children, Nadine and Kenneth, living in Burkina Faso where they work in literacy and Bible translation with the Siamou people, that God might sustain them in body, soul and spirit, and inspire them with fresh, creative ways to share God's Word (Menn. Mission Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: "....with you as our ruler and guide, may we so pass through temporal things that we lose not eternal things...." The Book of Common Prayer, Angelican

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

<u>Last Sunday</u> Attendance: 133 Offering: \$2,166

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