

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.

September 4, 2016

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

Songs:

HWB 46, I Sing the Mighty Power of God

HWB 91, Praise to God, Immortal Praise

HWB 523, Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Offering

Children's Story

Message: "Working in the Garden" Wendell Amstutz

Response Song: *HWB 389, Take My Life*

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

HWB 407, We Are People of God's Grace

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: Jana Gingerich
Song Leader: Clyde Hockman
Children's Story: Wendell Amstutz

9:30am
10:45am

This Morning:

Coffee Time

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

No Activities

This Week:

Wednesday 6:00am

Men's Bible Study at Gerald Mast's

Thursday 9:00am

Mennonite Women

Worship Schedule:

September 11: Mathew will be preaching "God's Hospitality to Us", John 21:1

September 18: Mathew will be preaching. Genesis 18:1-14

Pastor Mathew will be returning to the office on Thursday, September 8. Pastor Jana will be on vacation Wednesday, September 7—Saturday, September 17.

	Return Regular Worship Hours	September 11
		Coffee Time: 9:00am
		Sunday School: 9:30am
		Worship Service: 10:45am

It's BBQ Time

15th Annual Chicken BBQ

Fundraiser for Drift Creek Camp

Sunday, September 11 at Noon

Menu: BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Potato Salad,
Relish Tray, Bread, and Chocolate Cake and Ice Cream
—AND—

Third Annual Vintage Car Show

Bring your car to church whether in show condition, barely able to make the drive, or even on the trailer. Park together in the north corner of the parking lot. Talk with Loren Miller for further details

Second Sunday

September 11, 5:00-6:30pm

We're kicking off a new year! Everyone is welcome for a light meal at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by group time and activity for kids in K-5th grade. The theme this year is *Children Are Blessed*. Bring your friends too!

Jr. Hi will meet separately at 5:30 pm.

We are looking for someone to be our congregational correspondent to Mennonite World Review. Margaret Shetler has carried this for a number of years and asks to be relieved of this responsibility. About every two months she submits a short column to MWR of happenings about Zion's congregational life. Pat Hershberger has the description and expectations for this assignment. The church library receives this biweekly newspaper and you may also read it online at <http://mennoworld.org/>

Tuesday morning Bible study will begin again on September 13 meeting for 13 weeks, ending on December 6 and taking a break until January. This group is open to everyone and commitment is for that period of time. We will study the gospel of Mark with inductive Bible study method, your notebook and insights, and praying for each other. Pat Hershberger is facilitating; contact her for more information.

The Gifts Discernment Committee requests that you prayerfully consider persons for the Board of Elders. Please submit your suggestions for consideration as soon as possible, *but no later than the end of the worship service on September 18th*. Forms are located on the table in the foyer. Please complete paper forms and place them in the marked box. Forms were also sent by email this week. If you prefer, you can complete the form electronically and email it back to Jodi in the church office. If you have any questions, contact a member of the Gifts Discernment Committee: Jeremy Gingerich, Luanne Berkey, Sheila Kauffman, Callan Berkey.



My Coins Count Collection Every Sunday!

School has started again, and it's a great time for all of us to remember children around the world who won't be attending the same school this year because they have been displaced from their homes due to conflict in their country. Funds collected through My Coins Count will support MCC refugee projects. Bring your coins to church each Sunday. On October 8 at the Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief, we'll see how all our coins count together. Let's help remind refugees that people around the world are thinking about them and welcome them.

Women of all ages are invited to the **2016 Fall Quilt and Scrapbook Retreat at Drift Creek Camp, October 20-23**. The weekend is a great opportunity to dedicate time to work on projects of your choosing. Drift Creek provides the accommodations along with table space, delicious meals, an endless supply of coffee and conversations among friends old and new....all in the midst of God's magnificent creation. We hope you will join us! Visit www.driftcreek.org for details.

Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief Saturday, October 8

The festival needs your help! Several critical areas still need volunteer assistance, including the children's area, the children's auction, the silent auction, and more. If you are able to help, please talk to Cynthia Hockman-Chupp

The auction is also looking for small groups and/or Sunday School classes that are willing to work together to donate items. Please see the MCC Sale Newsletter (in your mailbox) for more information and ask Cynthia if you have questions. Thank you!

Finally, it's not too late to pick up extra school kit items. Place your donations in bags in the foyer.

- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8½ x 10½ in. and 70 sheets)
- 8 unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Classes begin at 9:30am on Sunday, Sept. 11

Sovereignty of God Teacher: Lynn Miller
Skylight Room 2

This curriculum from the Faith and Life Resources uses many passages from Isaiah, Hebrews and Revelation to learn about the sovereignty of God and Jesus.

The Psalms Teacher: Ken Kauffman
Library

This class will continue to “Read through the Bible”. They anticipate at the rate of one Psalm per week, this study could take three years. They welcome persons of all ages and all points of view.

Prayer Team Leader: Sheryl Mast
Upstairs Classroom

We will be praying together from 9:45-10:30am. We spend time praying for the church leadership, worship service, committees, church members, church events and specific prayer requests. Anyone is invited to join at any time.

Book study: Jesus for President by Chris Haw and Shane Claiborne
Leader: Andy Coulombe
Skylight Room 1

Drawing upon the work of biblical theologians, the lessons of church history, and the examples of modern-day saints and ordinary radicals, Jesus for President stirs the imagination of what the Church could look like if it placed its faith in Jesus instead of Caesar. A fresh look at Christianity and empire, Jesus for President transcends questions of “Should I vote or not?” and “Which candidate?” by thinking creatively about the fundamental issues of faith and allegiance.

MYF Teacher: Jana Gingerich
Upstairs, MYF Room
Studying the Gospel of Luke

Please keep in your prayers:

- Those who are travelling, that they would be granted safety and travel mercies.
- Our Sunday School departments and those who are preparing to teach fall Sunday School classes, as well as those who will be attending classes.
- Those who are struggling with illness, carrying grief or sorrow, who are separated from family, or who are anxious or fearful, that they would find peace and hope with God.

A prayer for all workers:

“Creator God, help us to build a new world in the midst of the old. A world where all workers are valued. A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in. A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill. A world where those who serve and care for others are, themselves, also served and cared for.

We pray for the coming of a world where all workers everywhere share in the abundance that you have given us. We ask these things knowing that you give us the courage and strength to live out our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.”

-Worship Resources from the United Church of Christ.

Nursery:

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

Last Sunday

Attendance: 117
Offering: \$2,955

Church Staff:

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