

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.

October 30, 2016

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 119:1-16

Songs:

HWB 8 Brethren, we have met to worship

HWB 16 God is here among us

HWB 26 Holy Spirit, come with power

Offering

Children's Story

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 4:16-18

Message: "Delivered from the Lions Mouth"

Response Song: *HWB 578 The Lord's my shepherd*

Sharing and Prayer

Sending song as Benediction: *HWB 580 My life flows on*

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: Jana Gingerich
Song Leader: Clyde Hockman
Children's Story: Gina Hansen
Offertory: Caleb Chupp

This Morning:

9:00am

Coffee Time

9:30am

Sunday School for all ages

9:45am

Prayer Team meets (upstairs)

10:45am

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

6:00-pm

MYF at Jana's

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am

Bible Study (Library)

Wednesday 6:00am

Men's Bible Study at Gerald Mast's

12:15pm

Prayer Meeting at Zion

Thursday 9:00am

Mennonite Women

Pastor Mathew Swora will be out on retreat the first few days of this coming week, Tuesday and Wednesday (Nov. 1-2) but will be back in the office on Thursday, November 3.

Worship Schedule:

November 6: Bethel Mountain Band ministers in music

November 13: Mathew will be preaching "Growing in Faith and Love" 2 Thessalonians 1: 3-4,

Just in time for the 499th Anniversary of the Reformation!

Pastor Mathew Swora will offer a class on Anabaptist/Mennonite Faith and History 101 on Sunday mornings during the Christian Education hour **beginning TODAY**, in Skylight Room #2. It will go approximately six weeks, and will include subjects such as church history, Zion Mennonite Church's history, *The Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective*, and the booklet, *What Is Anabaptist Christian*, by Palmer Becker.

The Bethel Mountain Band will be sharing during the worship service next Sunday, November 6. The 7-member band plays gospel bluegrass harmonies. Share the word in the community and invite friends and family to join us!

From Pastoral Leadership Team: In your literature box today is a summary of our Congregational Conversation on September 25 which focused on "hospitality". If you would like a complete copy of the feedback we received on that evening, contact the Church Office.

“This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations (Mt. 24:14).” To that end you are invited to share in the Bible translation work of the first church of the Southern Samogho people of Burkina Faso into their previously unwritten language, led by Pr. Fabé Traoré of the Mennonite Church of Samogohiri. L’Eglise Mennonite Evangelique du Burkina Faso (the national Mennonite Church), and Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (Goshen, IN) have identified land and walls for a livestock enclosure near Samogohiri as a sustainable economic development project that can fund the translation project. Those who wish to contribute to that can do so through offerings to Zion Mennonite Church, such as checks earmarked for Burkina Faso or Samogho Bible Translation. We will commission this offering on Sunday, November 20. There will be future updates and opportunities to pray and support this work.

**Drift Creek Camp's Annual Meeting & Family Camp
November 4-6, 2016**

Friday: Casual gathering, donuts and cider. Saturday: business meeting at 10am, benefit auction at 1:30, followed by fellowship, table games and exploring Drift Creek's beautiful surroundings. Sunday: Worship Register at driftcreek.org (by 10/30/2016)

It's almost that time again! Bridging Cultures invites you to its 8th Annual Thanksgiving Celebration. We'll have turkey, tamales, a photo booth, raffles and a variety of desserts. We'll feature music by Roberto Vasquez. For more information or to volunteer, contact Janet at 503-863-4003.

MDS Service Opportunity: Bob Smith, Oregon Unit of Mennonite Disaster Service has secured 8 slots for construction workers March 19-25, 2017, rebuilding homes (for handicapped persons) that were destroyed in the Calaveras County fires in 2015. The location is SE of Sacramento, CA. An estimated 475 homes were destroyed by fires. Volunteer accommodations are at the nearby Camp Lodestar, a Methodist retreat center nestled at the 3000 foot level near the town of San Andreas, CA. If you are interested in volunteering for this project, let Clyde Hockman (503-263-1210 or chockman@canby.com) know who will coordinate with Bob Smith.

Zion is looking for a 36 inch or larger flat screen TV to replace the older version in the Skylight Room. Anyone have one they want to donate to the church? Talk to Jana

**Semi-Annual Member's Meeting
November 13, 2016
1:00pm following
MYF Fundraiser Meal at Noon**

Sermon Outline
October 30, 2016
"Delivered From the Lion's Mouth"

The Gifts Discernment Committee presents the following draft Affirmation Ballot. Some key positions remain unfilled. Please be in prayer for those positions, as well as those who have agreed to serve. A finalized ballot will be presented to members at the meeting.

In literature boxes today is a copy of the *2016 Annual Report*. Please review the report and bring your copy with you to the meeting.

***DRAFT* AFFIRMATION BALLOT**

Elder (3 yr. term, expires Dec. 2019)

Cynthia Hockman-Chupp

Worship Commission Member (1 yr. term, expires Dec. 2017)

Sheryl Russell

Kiara Yoder

Drift Creek Camp Representative (1 yr. term, expires Dec. 2017)

(position most likely filled, will be named prior to meeting)

Trustee (2 yr. term, expires Dec. 2018)

Doug Berkey

Christian Amstutz

Gifts Discernment Committee (3 yr. term, expires Dec. 2019)

Church Secretary (corporate position) 3 yr. term, expires Dec. 2019)

Jodi Hansen

Primary Sunday School Superintendent (1 yr. term, expires Aug. 2017)

Karen Kropf

1. When the Apostle Paul wrote these words, what did he and the first Anabaptists have in common?

2. What are the ways in which heaven comes to us, before we go to heaven?

a.

b.

c.

d.

Please keep in your prayers:

- The people of Haiti, following the devastation of Hurricane Matthew and the Mennonite churches and two French-speaking Mennonite service and relief agencies from Europe (La Caisse de Secours, France, and Les Services Missionnaires Mennonites, Switzerland) request your prayers and aid through Mennonite World Conference, as two Mennonite church buildings have been destroyed, and two of their pastors and many of their members are now homeless (Mennonite World Conference)
- Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher, who work with Anabaptist ministries in South Korea. Jae Young Lee, director of Korea Peacebuilding Institute, offers conflict mediation resources to schools, while Karen offers educational resources through Conexus (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Perry Bush, professor of history at Bluffton College, as he delivers three Menno Simons Lectures at Bethel College (KS) this week (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week:

“Increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command.”

Book of Common Prayer, Anglican

Nursery:

This week: Wendy and Jaclyn Roth
Next Week: Stacy Berkey, Carolyn Yoder

Last Sunday

Attendance: 149
Offering: \$2,123.50

Church Staff:

Mathew Swora, Lead Pastor: zionpastor_ms@canby.com
Jana Gingerich, Associate/Youth Pastor: zionyouth@canby.com
Jodi Hansen, Office Administrator: zionmc@canby.com
Elders: Karen Amstutz, Ken Beachy, Pat Hershberger,
Ken Kauffman, Lynn Miller

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