

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.



March 12, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent **The Road to Resurrection**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 121:1-4

HWB 16 God is Here Among Us

HWB 69 The Lord Is King

Confession of Sin

Silence

Song: "God Whose Grace" (insert)

Declaration of Forgiveness: Romans 4: 1-5

Our Response: Hebrews 12: 1-3

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Children's Story:

Scripture: Genesis 12: 1-4a; John 3: 1-17, from HWB 842

Message

Response Song: STS 92 Just As I Am

Offering- HWB 441 and 442

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction: Psalm 121: 5-8

Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich
Mathew Swora

Song Leader: Julie Yoder
Children's Story: Gina Hansen

This Morning:

Coffee Time

Sunday School for all ages

Prayer Team meets (upstairs)

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

Second Sunday/Jr. Hi

Deep Faith discussion

(MYF to join discussion)

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am

Bible Study—Library

Wednesday 12:15pm

Prayer Meeting at Zion

Thursday 9:00am

Quilting

Worship Schedule:

March 19: Third Sunday of Lent: Pr. Victor Estrada preaches

March 26: Fourth Sunday of Lent: John 9: 1-41

Second Sunday

TODAY, 5:00-6:30pm

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.

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

Join us this evening, from 5:30-6:30pm (following the Second Sunday meal) in the Skylight Room for a conversation and sharing about the Deep Faith Conference that Pastors Mathew and Jana, Kara Kropf and Karen Tro attended last October. **"We all keep learning and growing throughout life. How can intergenerational faith practices help us grow in faith formation for all ages?"** Come join the discussion.

TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS FROM IGLESIA MENONITA ROCA DE SALVACION, we will worship next Sunday, March 19, and fellowship over a Fund-Raising Meal for Vida Feliz, the Senior Center in El Torno, Bolivia, a ministry which we share with Iglesia Menonita Roca de Salvación and Calvary Mennonite Church. Members of Calvary Mennonite will join us for the meal after worship.

Pr. Victor Estrada of Roca de Salvación will bring the message that day, and members of that church will also lead and provide some of the worship music.

The Senior Center needs \$12,000 per year for two half-time administrative positions. There are several quilted items and a hand-made Bolivian hammock for sale. The proceeds will be donated to the Center. *Roca de Salvacion will be helping with the meal. If anyone from Zion would like to volunteer to cook, set-up, serve, and clean-up; make new friends and practice speaking Spanish, please contact Karen Amstutz*

Bridging Cultures Canby will have an information night about "Know Your Rights" and "Protect Your Family" on Saturday, March 18, starting at 5:00pm at Baker Prairie Middle School. Everyone is welcome.

The Canby Center is looking for a part-time Office Manager. More information, including a job description, is posted on the bulletin board.

The **2017 Oregon Mennonite Women's Retreat is April 21-23** at Drift Creek Camp. *Springtime for the Soul*, will focus on the integration of spiritual practice into daily living. Daily morning sessions will include worship and guest speaker, Marlene Kropf. We hope you will join us! *Register online at driftcreek.org or by mail.*

Thank you for the card, visits, and prayers after my shoulder surgery. We appreciate our church family and are thankful for God's healing.

—Richard Kropf



Vacation Bible School Sunday, July 23— Thursday, July 27, 2017

Drift Creek Camp Update:

June 16-18: Parent and Me

June 21-25: Grades 3 & 4

June 25-30: High School

July 2 -7: Grades 7 & 8

July 9-14: Grades 5 & 6

The Coulombes and Hockman-Chupps have decided to put a camping excursion together for Zion families. We'd love to have as many of you join us as possible! The purpose is to simply enjoy one another!

The details are:

- ◇ Thursday, August 24th—Sunday, August 27th (folks can come for one, two or all three nights, or even just for the day)
- ◇ L.L. Stub Stewart State Park near Vernonia (about an hour drive). Reservations can be made online: <http://www.reserveamerica.com/camping/ll-stub-stewart-memorial-state-park/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=OR&parkId=402294>
- ◇ The Coulombe's and Hockman-Chupp's have reserved spots #33 and #34 in the "Dairy Creek West" loop and there are currently several spots still available, both full hook-up (\$31) and tent (\$21) sites.
- ◇ We would like to do a potluck on Saturday evening. If enough folks are interested the park has a meeting hall that we could rent for an extra \$75.
- ◇ There are a lot of hiking and biking trails, as well as a Frisbee golf course (and we can probably wrangle up a few horse shoes). Folks could also drive out to Cannon Beach for the day as well (it is about an hour drive).

The
Season
of
Lent



“THE ROAD TO RESURRECTION”

Suggested Readings and Reflections for Lent, Week 3

March 13-17

- Exodus 17:1-7
The desire for water is legitimate. So what did the Hebrews do, or neglect to do, that went beyond requesting water? When and how might we engage in similar “striving and testing, with God or with others?”
- Psalm 95
After calling us to listen to God’s voice in verse 7, this Psalm gives us a word from God, starting in verse 8. What does God want us to do, or not do? When and how have you experienced the “rest” that God offers?
- Romans 5:1-11
These words were written to people who used to boast about their differences and distance from each other: Jews and Gentiles. What can they boast about now? What are our reasons for peace and hope?
- John 4:5-42
Out of the fourteen people in this story, which of them are evangelists? What changes does Jesus tell the Samaritan woman that he is bringing into the world? What do you think it means to “worship God in spirit and in truth?”

Suggested Lenten Activities from Mennonite Mission Network: (mennonitemission.net/resources/faith/lent-2017)

- **March 12:** Unplug. It’s a day of rest.
- **March 13:** Read Micah 6:8 and reflect on how it calls you to ministry in your own setting.
- **March 14:** Look at a map with a child. Point out states or countries where people you know live. Pray for these people.
- **March 15:** Read the news for 10 minutes. Then, turn off all your screens for 15 minutes and pray for each of those situations. Talk about it together with your family or friends.
- **March 16:** Collect aluminum cans from your church (or work, or home, etc.). After you recycle the cans, add the money you earned to your “missions jar.”
- **March 17:** Invite a former (or current) mission worker to coffee; ask them to share their story. Pray with them.
- **March 18:** Spend 20 minutes in nature. Pay attention to the details that are easy to miss in the daily hustle.



Please keep in your prayers:

- The Gomez family serving in Honduras (Raul, Megan, Lili, Anna and Nico) with Our Little Brothers, as Raul's management responsibilities are quite large, and Nico adapts to school.
- The livestock enclosure project that we are supporting in Samogohiri, Burkina Faso, by which the Mennonite church there will sustain its Bible translation program; workers are currently making bricks as negotiations are under way to purchase the land.
- Asher and Lindsay Fast, who are beginning a term of service in Botswana, working with African-Initiated churches, youth groups, community agencies, and more (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Bluffton College Camerata Singers, who travel this week and sing, returning next Sunday, March 19; for safety in travel, and the refreshment of spirit for all who perform and who listen (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: *"Almighty God, who alone can bring order to our unruly wills and affections, grant us to love what you command and to desire what you have promised, so that, through all the changes of this life, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is to be found."* (adapted from the Book of Common Prayer, Anglican)

Nursery:

This week: Cynthia & Caleb Hockman-Chupp
Next Week: Serenity & Ally Coulombe

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 124
Offering: \$7665
Maranatha: \$300

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