

# Zion Mennonite Church

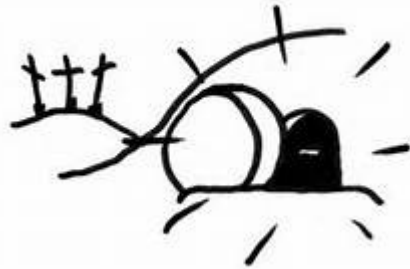
Zion Mennonite Church covenants to grow together as a Christ-centered community, extending our Anabaptist branch into our world, bearing the lasting fruit of discipleship, and planting the seeds for God's reign through hospitality, service, and reconciliation with God and others.

April 16, 2017



*Easter Sunday*

Prelude  
Welcome and Greeting  
Easter Litany  
Prayer  
Singing – *Lord of the Dance; We Will Dance*  
*HWB 273 Low in the Grave*  
*HWB 275 Lift Your Glad Voices*  
*HWB 269 Thine is the Glory*  
Offering  
Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:1-4  
*HWB 257 Were you there*  
*HWB 280 Christ the Lord is Risen*  
Scripture Reading: John 20: 1-18  
Message: "How Do I Know?"  
Pastoral Prayer  
Benediction - "Angels Rolled De Stone Away"



Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich/Mathew Swora  
Song Leader: Karie Smucker, Seth Gingerich  
Jana Gingerich  
Prelude: Karen Tro, Kristin Oakes

8:30—9:15am  
9:30am  
9:45am  
10:45am

**This Morning:**  
Easter Breakfast  
Sunday School for all ages  
Prayer Team meets (upstairs)  
Worship Service  
**This Afternoon/Evening**  
No Activities

Tuesday 10:00am  
Wednesday 12:15pm  
2:15pm  
Thursday 9:00am

**This Week:**  
Bible Study meets in Library  
Prayer Meeting at Zion  
PLT Meeting  
Quilting

### **Worship Schedule:**

April 23: Jana will be preaching "Keep Your Fork", I Peter 1:3-9  
April 30: Mathew Swora, sharing about the MCC Borderlands Tour, from I Peter 1: 17-23, "During the Time of Your Exile."

*Pastor Mathew Swora will be gone this week and next, from Thursday, April 20, through Friday, April 28, for vacation time with family, and then for the Mennonite Central Committee Borderlands Tour in Arizona and the Mexican state of Sonora.*

From Rev. Alex Awad, who visited and preached at Zion last Sunday, April 9: *"Brenda and I want to thank you for the wonderful time we had with your congregation, yesterday. It was a great day and I hope your congregation was blessed by our presence, teachings and message. The gift for the Shepherd Society was great!"* The total contribution for the work of Bethlehem Bible College's Shepherd Society on behalf of Syrian war refugees was \$900. If you missed any of Rev. Awad's sharing last Sunday, you can find recordings on Youtube by typing "ZionMC webmaster" into the search box.

*A heartfelt thank-you to my church family for cards, calls, emails, food, plant, and visits after my recent hospitalization and surgery. These expressions of caring make my heart sing.*  
—Sheila Kauffman

**The April Semi-Annual Member's Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 30, immediately following a fundraiser meal at noon** supporting the Bible translation project of Pr. Fabé Traoré, of the Mennonite Church in Burkina Faso, West Africa, into the language of his Southern Samogho people. The meal will feature a traditional West African sauce served over rice, called "jiaba-jii," with beef and vegetables. Cooked not too spicy, additional hot sauce will be provided if you wish to taste it at West African "temperature." A vegetarian alternative will be provided as well.

The affirmation ballot will include the following positions. Please be in prayer for those who have agreed to serve and for those who are still being sought, that there would be an openness and willingness to accept and serve in leadership roles. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Gift Discernment Committee (Jeremy Gingerich, Luanne Berkey, Mary Masingila)

Adult Sunday School Superintendent (1 yr term)—Loren Miller  
Primary Sunday School Superintendent (1 yr term)—  
Karen Kropf, Stacy Berkey  
Second Sunday Leaders (2 yr term)—  
Kiara Yoder and one open position  
Junior High Leaders (1 yr term)—open  
Library Committee (3 yr term)—Janice Miller  
Music Committee (1 yr term) Seth Gingerich, Karie Smucker,  
Karen Tro  
Drift Creek Camp Representative (1 yr term)—Roger Oakes  
Gift Discernment Committee (3 yr term)—Mary Masingila\*  
(\*appointed by Church Council March 2017)

**Canby High School Alumni Choir and Canby High School Concert Choir** will be giving two performances next weekend: Friday and Saturday, April 22 and 23 at 7:00pm at the Canby Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$6 each and available at the door. Proceeds benefit the Canby High School Music Department.

**WESTERN MENNONITE SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO:**

**Join us in prayer** for our upcoming Spring Spiritual Renewal Week (April 17- 21). Pray for our speaker, Jim Ramos, and for the week to have lifelong and eternal impact in our students lives!

**Save the date** for our 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Auction on Saturday **May 6!** Check out our website at [www.WesternMennoniteSchool.org/auction](http://www.WesternMennoniteSchool.org/auction) to look at what is in store this year! Please contact the school if you are interested in donating items or baking pies for the Pioneer Pantry (503.363.2000)

**Attend or invite** someone to our Spring Visitors day on **May 10**. We are excited for the 2017-2018 school year and the opportunity to provide a Christ-centered education to our 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade students, this is a great day to check out how WMS can serve your family!

A short survey is available regarding interest in Zion hosting a Family Retreat at Drift Creek Camp. If you did not receive the email with the link to the survey, please contact the church office. Paper copies of the survey are also available on the table in the foyer.

**DINNERS FOR EIGHT.** It's time again! If you would like to participate in the May, June, and July round of Dinners for 8, please sign up today. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Contact Vonnie Oyer or Sheryl Mast if you have any questions.

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- Carolyn Neuschwander, Richard Kropf, Maynard Nofziger, Sheila Kauffman and others who are recovering from surgery.
- Ministries, missionaries and service workers who represent us or partner with us in other countries and cultures, such as El Centro de Ancianos Vida Feliz in Bolivia, Raul and Megan Gomez in Honduras, Maranatha Ministries and Faye Swartzendruber in Mexico, and Pr. Fabé Traoré in Burkina Faso.
- Our Mennonite World Conference partners in the Democratic Republic of Congo, where political and ethnic strife is again heating up, and the church is sometimes both peacemaker and target (Mennonite World Conference)
- Give thanks and pray for “Rooted and Grounded: A Conference on Land and Christian Discipleship” at the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN., from April 20-22, to explore alternative ways of relating to God’s Creation that cultivate shalom, Biblical peace (Mennonite Education Agency)

**A prayer to carry through the week:** *“Inspire, Lord, all our actions and sustain them to the end, so that all our prayer and our work may begin with you, and be brought by you to completion.”* from St. Benedict’s Prayer Book

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**Nursery:**

This week: Mary and Elizabeth Masingila  
Next Week: Karen Amstutz, Kelsey Sommer

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: —  
Offering: \$ —

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