# 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.

June 18, 2017

Welcome Announcements Call to Worship Singing *HWB 16 God is here among us HWB 226 You are salt for the earth STJ 44 The love of God* Offering Children's Story Scripture reading: Matthew 10: 1-23 Message: Prayer and Share Benediction

> Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich Song Leader: Stan Oyer Children's Story: Ken Beachy

### This Morning:

9:00am Coffee Time Sunday School for all ages 9:30am Prayer Team meets (upstairs) 9:45am Worship Service 10:45am This Afternoon/Evening 6:00pm MYF at Jana's This Week: Bible Study meets in Library Tuesday 10:00am Wednesday 12:15pm Prayer Meeting at Zion Thursday 9:00am Quilting Worship Schedule: June 25: Frank Howard will be preaching "Good News" I Peter 1:9-12 July 2: Mathew will be sharing "From the Files of Dr. Sigmund Schringck: The Case of Bildad the Shuhite" Job 2:11-13; 42:7-8

Pastors Mathew and Jana will be attending the PNMC conference in Ritzville, WA June 23-25.

The Worship Commission has agreed to purchase 100 additional "Sing the Story" songbooks for our congregational use. Each book costs \$9.99. If you can give towards this goal, please make checks payable to Zion Mennonite Church and mark "songbooks" in the memo line. Thank you so much!

Six **small groups** are regularly meeting, spending time together sharing, praying, encouraging, and supporting one another. Three Bible study groups also regularly meet, along with a prayer group which meets on Sunday mornings. Contact Pastors Jana or Mathew for more information on small groups or if you have interest in creating a new group. Groups can be created on a wide variety of topics and interests. Don't be afraid to be involved!

Got News? The next edition of <u>News for the Pews</u> will be out on July 2. If you would like to share something with the congregation in the church newsletter, please submit information to the church office no later than Monday, June 26.

## THE BIBLE: DIGGING FOR TREASURE JULY 23-27, 2017

VBS is coming soon! Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Activity leaders, group leaders, drama participants, snack coordinators, registration helpers and more are needed. Please see where you could help and sign up early. Contact VBS directors Luanne Berkey, Ken Beachy, Vonnie Oyer, or Carolyn Yoder with questions or for more information.

### JUBILEE FOOD PANTRY

Collection day for the food pantry will be Sunday, July 2. You may leave donated items in the barrel in the foyer. All items are appreciated, but especially canned meat (chicken, tuna, etc); canned tomatoes, corn, and fruit; baking supplies (flour, sugar, oil, vinegar, etc); boxed cereal, boxed macaroni and cheese; and diapers.

The Pregnancy Care Center is continuing their fundraising efforts with the Baby Bottle Boomerang, now through the end of June. Baby bottles are available in the foyer next to the Missions Bulletin Board. If you would like to support PCC, please take a bottle, fill it with coins, cash, or a check, and return it to Karen Amstutz.

**The Canby Center's Summer Clean-Up** has been scheduled for **Saturday, June 24** from 9am-noon, lunch included. Volunteers are needed for yardwork, painting, cleaning, and general building maintenance. Families and all skill levels are welcome. To sign-up, please call Kelley at 503-266-2920 or email kelley@thecanbycenter.org

The Canby Center is also looking for a Reading Mentors Program Coordinator. If you or someone you know may be interested, a job description is posted on the bulletin board. What benefit do you desire for young persons in this congregation to receive from the church community? Every so often we must ask such basic questions of all our ministries. This summer we are asking such questions about youth ministry, seeking input from all who are involved and interested in the Christian faith formation of our youth, especially, but not only, from parents and grandparents of current, past and future middle and senior high youth, volunteers, and of the youth themselves. As all of us are involved in passing on the faith in some way, anyone's input about this ministry is welcome. A Youth Ministry Visioning Group, comprised of Karen Tro, Steve Masingila, Stan Oyer, Serenity Coulombe and Pat Hershberger, with guidance and resources from Pastors Mathew Swora and Jana Gingrich, will meet with interested persons to discuss the following questions (in addition to the one above)

- How can Zion MC best support you, our youth and our children, in their Christian Education?
- What can and will you offer in support of Zion's Christian Education ministry to our children and youth?
- What subjects, topics and activities do you most want to see our Christian Education program address with our youth?

You may come to any **ONE** of the group interviews scheduled at Zion on the following dates:

Thursday, June 29 at 7:00pm Thursday, July 13 at 7:00pm Sunday, July 16 at 4:30pm

Please let any group members know on which date you would like to come, but last-minute decisions are welcome, too. Oneon-one interviews with any group member, in person, over the phone, or in writing, are also welcome, if you prefer, along with everyone's prayers, of course.

From this process we hope to develop a four-year cycle of topics, activities and growth experiences for senior high youth, a threeyear program of activities for a middle school youth group, a covenant and expectations for parents, youth, church and workers, an update of our goals, values, and best practices for youth ministry, and, if necessary, adjustments to pastoral job descriptions.

### Please keep in your prayers:

- The staff and volunteers at Drift Creek Camp and this week's 3rd-4th grade campers.
- The annual delegate conference of the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference, to be held this next weekend at Menno Mennonite Church in Ritzville, WA, and those from Zion who will attend.
- On this Father's Day, thank God for all the men who have cared for you and shared God's love with you. Ask God to bless all the fathers in the world so they can provide food and homes for their children (Mennonite Mission Network)
- The new IBA (Spanish language Anabaptist Biblical Institute) students at Iglesia Menonita Casa Del Alfarero in Pasadena, TX, and their teacher, Alberto Parchmont (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: "I seek not to understand, so that I might believe; I believe so that I might understand." By St. Anselm, 12th C. England

#### Nursery:

This week: Brie Ediger, Karen Amstutz Next Week: Cynthia & Joshua Hockman-Chupp Last Sunday: Attendance: 158

offering: \$5,542

#### Church Staff:

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