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 29, 2017

Gathering Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship: "The Community Worships"

HWB 600 "Bless the Lord, O My Soul", v. 1, 2, 5

Prayer: Psalm 103

Praising God in Hymns and Songs

HWB 366 God of Grace and God of Glory

God, Whose Grace Redeems Our Story (see insert)

HWB 165 A Mighty Fortress is Our God (Martin Luther)

Scripture Reading: Luke 18:9-14

Offering our Gifts

Mission Moment—Bridging Cultures, Karie Smucker

Hearing the Word

Children's Story

Scripture: Romans 1:16-17, 3:21-18

Sermon: "A Fire of 500 Years"

Responding in Faith

Response Song: We are People of God's Peace

(Menno Simons)

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction/Blessing: "The Community Sends"

Today at Noon:

Fundraiser Meal supporting Bridging Cultures followed by Semi-Annual Member's Meeting

> Worship Leader: Pat Hershberger Song Leader: Clyde Hockman Children's Story: Tom Brenneman Prelude/Offertory: Karen Tro

This Morning:

9:00am Coffee Time

9:30am Sunday School For All Ages 9:45am Prayer Team meets (upstairs)

10:45am Worship Service

Noon Fundraiser Meal and Member's Meeting

This Afternoon/Evening

5:30- 7:00pm MYF at Jana's

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library Wednesday 12:15pm Prayer Meeting at Zion Thursday 9:00am Mennonite Women

Worship Schedule:

November 5: Mathew will be preaching "For All the Saints"

Revelation 7: 9-17

November 12: Mission Sunday. Timothy 2:1-6

Who among "the great cloud of witnesses" (Heb. 12:1) has left you a legacy of faith, hope, and love that still inspires and encourages you today? Who among the innumerable "throng around the throne" (Rev. 7: 9) continues to bless you by their word, example and influence? We are looking for people to share such names and testimonies during worship on Sunday, November 5, the Sunday after All Saints Day in the calendar of many churches. If you wish to share such a 3-5 minute testimony of the living influence of "those who have died in Christ," please let Pastors Mathew Swora or Jana Gingerich know by Thursday, November 2.

Zion's collection for My Coins Count totaled \$1,495.68 and with two matching \$1000 donations, we were able to give \$3.495.68 to the MCC program. Thank you for your generosity!

It is a blessing to have such a great church family. Thank you for your prayers, cards, and the beautiful plant. God bless you all.
—Marlene Harris



Christian and Harley Yoder are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Henry Dean Yoder on October 19. He weighed 8 lb 1 oz and was 21 long. Henry's grandparents are Don and Kelly Yoder.

Congratulations to the Yoder family!

Men's Small Group— We meet weekly in Jim Graber's room at the care center in Molalla. We welcome others to join us for this time of visiting and a brief Bible study. Talk with Denny Stringer, Loren Miller or Lynn Miller for more information.

The Gifts Discernment Committee presents the following draft Affirmation Ballot. A finalized ballot will be presented to members at today's meeting.

DRAFT AFFIRMATION BALLOT Worship Commission Member (1 yr. term, expires Dec. 2018) Kiara Yoder Chairperson—Christian Education Commission (3 yr. term, expires Dec. 2020) ____ Wanda Rohrer-Heyerly Church Treasurer (3 yr. term, expires Dec. 2020) Jeremy Gingerich Trustee (2 yr. term, expiries Dec. 2019) ___ Ron Kropf Ken Lais Gifts Discernment Committee Member (3 yr. term, exp. Dec. 2020) Drift Creek Camp Representative (1 yr. term, expires Dec. 2018) Roger Oakes PNMC Conference Delegate (2 yr. term, expires Dec. 2019) ___ Warde Hershberger ____ Pat Hershberger ____ Judy Gascho ___ Mary Masingila ___ Karen Kropf Louise Gingerich

Please keep in your prayers:

- Bridging Cultures Canby, its services, activities, leaders, programs and impact on lives and relationships
- Drift Creek Camp's Annual Meeting for board members, friends, families, and others, November 3-5
- Bill and Carol Frisbie, who train leaders to share the biblical message in places where there is no church in Central and West Africa, and the leaders whom they mentor (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Bluffton University's students as they delve deeper into questions surrounding faith during their fall Spiritual Life Week (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: "Warm me and make me fervent, that my love might go out to my neighbor." by Martin Luther, 16th C. Germany

Nursery:

Last Sunday:

This week: Brean Epp, Elizabeth Masingila Next Week: Serenity Coulombe, Karen Kropf Attendance: — Offering: —

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