

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.

February 4, 2018

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 87

Singing:

HWB 12 Come let us all unite to sing

HWB 332 Blessed assurance

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Offering

Children's Story

New Testament Readings: Matthew 16: 13-20

Ephesians 1: 3-14

Message: "Why Church?"

Response Song: *Together*

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song: *Bind Us Together*

Benediction

Worship Leader: Kiara Yoder
Song Leader: Karie Smucker, Seth Gingerich
Children's Story: Ken Beachy
Prelude/Offertory: Kelsey Sommer

9:00am
9:30am
9:45am
10:45am

This Morning:

Coffee Time

Sunday School For All Ages

Prayer Team meets (upstairs)

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

MYF/Jr. High Super Bowl Party
at Hockman-Chupps

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library

Wednesday 12:15pm Prayer Meeting at Zion

Thursday 9:00am Mennonite Women

1:00pm PLT meeting

Worship Schedule:

February 11: Mathew will be preaching "What is Church?",
Ephesians 1:13-14 and John 17:20-26

February 18: First Sunday of Lent. Lynn Miller preaches

The MYF and Jr High are having a Super Bowl party at the Hockman-Chupp's this afternoon from 3:00—7:00 (or until the game is over). Everyone please bring their favorite snack!

Annual Budget Meeting

Sunday, February 11

following a Potluck Meal at noon

Please bring with you your copy of 2017 Annual Budget Report. A final 2018 Budget will be approved at the meeting. An affirmation ballot will also be presented for consideration. Stan Oyer has agreed to serve as Elder, with a term of 3 years, beginning retroactive to January 1, 2018.

Second Sunday

February 11, 5:00-6:30pm

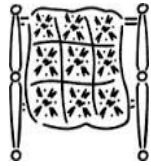
Everyone is welcome for a light meal at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by group time and activity for kids in K-5th grade.

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

to prepare college care packages

46th Annual Quilting Workshop February 22, 23, and 24

Volunteer Sign-ups are posted on the bulletin board. There are many spots to be filled. Sign up early!



Goshen College Men's Choir with guest Canby High School Men's Choir Concert on Sunday, February 25 at 6:00pm

The Goshen choir will be staying over-night Sunday, February 25. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please indicate how many students you can house and what arrangements you have available (number of rooms, number of beds, etc) and if you have any special requests or limitations. **PLEASE sign-up early—there are approximately 55 students and college personnel for which we will be finding host homes!**

Thanks to everyone who gave us feedback for Mathew's annual review. Mathew's accessibility, supportiveness, and leadership were strongly affirmed.

In addition, his sermons were also rated highly. Some concerns were shared, but many others also shared praise. Given the mixed feedback, we did not make any recommendation to Mathew about his sermons. But we did provide him with an overview of the concerns that were shared. Due to the confidential nature of the comments, however, we did not share specific details.

Mathew was grateful for the feedback, and asked us to encourage anyone with thoughts about comprehension, engagement, or other suggestions regarding his sermons to share those directly with him. We also encourage anyone with praise for Mathew's sermons to share that with him as well, since we believe that it is equally important for him to hear what is working for people as what isn't.

From your feedback about his time usage, he will also seek to do more visitations and less administration, or delegate what he can.

—The PCRC

Mennonite Women's Retreat at Drift Creek Camp April 13-15

Megan Ramer, lead pastor at Seattle Mennonite will be our guest speaker. The weekend is meant to nourish community and truly be a retreat. There will be daily gatherings with Megan that will be enriched with worship and sharing as we look at what it means to live a life of gratitude. Between sessions, women will have the freedom to choose how they spend the day. There will be free-time with a variety of activities being offered which include hikes, knitting, working on comforters for MCC, a discussion on Rachel Naomi Remen's *My Grandfather's Blessings*, as well as made-to-order coffee and outlets for creative expression. We hope you will consider this opportunity to connect with one another; to reflect on areas in your life for which you feel grateful or identify ways that you hope to cultivate gratitude. **For more information see the flyer on the bulletin board or visit www.driftcreek.org. Registration Deadline: April 1 (early bird discount when payment received by February 15)**

The Canby Center is looking for a part-time Bilingual Resource Coordinator. More information is posted on the bulletin board if you or someone you know may be interested.

At the beginning of January, there was a big rain storm in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. The Santa Cruz Christian Learning Center, where the Amstutz kids studied K-12 and Rebecca Strong (daughter of Wendell and Karen Amstutz) currently teaches and Matias and Marcos study, was under 3 feet of water. There is \$35,000 estimated damage and another \$20,000 estimated in repair work on the property to ensure that future rains do not damage the facility in this way again. Zion's Witness and Service commission is inviting you to support this relief project. You can find detailed information at this website: southamericamission.org/blog/scclc-jan-18-flood-relief Donations can be made directly through the website, or checks may be written to Zion with "SCCLC" designated in the memo line.

The
Season
of
Lent



“Between You and Me” is the theme of this year’s observance of the Lenten season, beginning on Wednesday, February 14. Scriptures, messages and songs will reflect on our covenant relationship with a faithful, covenanting God, and with each other, especially as expressed in the Psalms. You are invited to share in the

sacrificial meaning of the season by making weekly or one-time additional offerings to help our Mennonite World Conference partners in the Democratic Republic of Congo, who are being attacked and displaced by conflict and corruption. Mennonite Central Committee is administering this aid under the guidance of partners onsite. If health permits, consider skipping a meal or some indulgence each week and giving its dollar value. There will also be daily devotional readings online on the Goshen College website, and on themennonite.org.

Zion Mennonite Church will host the following Lenten and Holy Week observances:

- Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 14, at 7PM
- Maundy Thursday Footwashing service on Thursday, March 29, at 7PM
- Good Friday service with communion on Friday, March 30, at 6:30 PM

All interested persons are invited to attend the 2018 Mennonite Disaster Service Oregon Unit Annual meeting to be held at Calvary Mennonite Church on Saturday, March 17th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Our guest speakers: to be determined, from Lititz, PA; and Dan Moseler and Larry Johnson, United Methodist Committee on Relief, regional disaster coordinators. Reports will be given about the MDS Saipan project, Unit response to the wildfires in Crook Co, and the Oregon Unit MDS Trailer Project. Lunch will be provided by MDS Oregon Unit and an offering will be taken to support the Unit’s mission.

Please RSVP by March 11 to Clyde Hockman (503-263-1210), Oregon Unit Secretary

Dear Church Family,
Zion has a tradition of sending Valentine care packages to our college students away from home. We would like to invite you to contribute cards (signed would be great!), treats, small gifts, or cash donations toward shipping around 12 of these packages. The junior high and MYF will assemble these boxes on February 11 during the Second Sunday meeting time. Let’s show our students some love! You may bring your donations to the church kitchen; cash may be given to Kristin Oakes or Serenity Coulombe.



Parents: If you have a college student, please provide their mailing address to Jodi in the church office.

Thank you!

Our current Jr. High volunteer leader is Rachel Kropf. We are so thankful for her willingness to pour into these kids and create a regular organized time for them to gather to know one another and to know God. There are a few upcoming dates that an adult volunteer is needed to come alongside Rachel to assist, provide snacks and support the Jr. High meeting times. Please consider one or more of these dates to support our youth and Rachel.

February 25, 5:30-7:00 at Zion

March 11, 5:30-7:00 at Zion (Second Sunday)

April 22, 5:30-7:00 at Zion

May 13, 5:30-7:00 at Zion (Mother's Day)

May 27, 5:30-7:00 at Zion

Contact Serenity Coulombe at serenity@sterling.net or

503-803-7823

Dear Zion,

I wanted to let everyone who prayed for me during my recent shoulder surgery know how much I appreciated it! Also, thanks to those of you who provided a meal for us, or took the time to send a card. It is wonderful to be a part of a church family that is so caring.

—Sheryl Gingerich

Please keep in your prayers:

- Zion's members and friends whose health has restricted them to home or to a care facility, such as Olive Kenagy, Sue Roth, Jim Graber, Luella Hostetler, Jaclyn Roth, Vernon Gahler, among others
- Jack and Ruth Scott, who are serving a four-month assignment in Ludwigshafen, Germany, with the Friedenshaus refugee ministry, as Ruth teaches German to Syrian refugees, and she and Jack assist other community-building and logistical support efforts (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Bluffton (Ohio) students who participated in a cross-cultural experience last semester and will present during Forum on Tuesday, as well as all students of Mennonite colleges and seminaries who are studying abroad, including Brandon Chupp and Trevor Oyer, Eastern Mennonite University students from our congregation, who are traveling and studying in India. (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry through the week: "...all harm comes to us from not keeping our eyes fixed on You." Theresa of Avila, 16th C. Spain.

Nursery:

This week: Cassie Miller and Anna Park

Next Week: Cynthia and Caleb Hockman-Chupp

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 120

Offering: \$1631

SCCLC: \$550

Church Staff:

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