

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 25, 2018

Between You and Me Palm Sunday



Gospel Reading: John 12:12-16

Children's Palm Processional: *HWB 237 All glory, laud and honor*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, people of God, this is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day Jesus enters Jerusalem.

People: Open the gates of righteousness so that we can enter and give thanks to the Lord.

Leader: The gates are open, come on in. Give thanks, for God is good!

Singing:

Confession

Words of Assurance

Theme Song: *Between Me and You*

Children's Story

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Message: "The Courage to Celebrate"

Response Song:

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction



Worship Leader: Stan Oyer
Song Leader: Charlie Gingerich
Children's Story: Gina Hansen
Prelude/Offertory: Lois Yoder

This Morning:

9:00am

9:30am

9:45am

10:45am

Coffee Time

Sunday School For All Ages

Prayer Team meets (upstairs)

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

No Activities

This Week:

Tuesday

10:00am

Bible Study in Library

6:30pm

Worship Commission meeting

Wednesday

12:15pm

Prayer Meeting at Zion

Thursday

9:00am

Quilting

7:00pm

Maundy Thursday Service

Friday

6:30pm

Good Friday Service

Worship Schedule:

April 1: Easter Sunday. Mathew will be preaching. John 20:1-18; Isaiah 26:5-9

April 8: Mathew will be preaching "Why the Scars?", John 20:19-31

For this year's Maundy Thursday service and Good Friday

service, we would like people to participate in reading aloud the scripture passages. If you are planning to attend and are willing to help in this way, please let Pastor Mathew know by Wednesday, March 28.

Monday evening, March 26, you are invited to join the families of MYF and Junior High to attend the **Oregon Historical Society "Women in Civil Rights Movement"** forum at the McMenamins Kennedy School. Meet at Zion at 6:00pm to carpool. More information about the forum can be found at:

<http://www.ohs.org/events/untold-stories-of-the-civil-rights-movement.cfm>

If you have any further questions, contact Serenity Coulombe.

Walking Through



Maundy Thursday Footwashing Service

Thursday, March 29, at 7PM

Good Friday Service with Communion

Friday, March 30, at 6:30PM

Easter Breakfast: Sunday, April 1, 8:30—9:15am

Potluck-style breakfast; Please bring a prepared dish ready to serve by 8:25am. Cinnamon Rolls will be provided.

Easter Worship Service: 10:45am

You are invited 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. We will be collecting funds through Easter Sunday, April 1. Checks may be written to Zion Mennonite Church with "Mennonites in the DRC" in the memo, or you may put cash offerings in an envelope labelled the same way.

BRYAN MOYER SUDERMAN will be visiting with us in April to lead a seminar entitled, "Interpreting the Bible With Jesus." Bryan works under the auspices of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary with both US and Canadian churches. Leader of Small Tall Ministries, he also does music and story-telling for children and adults, together. He will teach, lead and generate discussion on Jesus' way of interpreting the Bible in The Gospel According to Matthew, with one session on Friday night (April 20) and three on Saturday (April 21). He will provide a concert for all ages (children and the child in all of us) on Saturday evening. Bryan will also speak to combined youth and adult classes on Sunday, April 22 and bring the message during worship. Attendees are invited to join us from the area and the conference. If you are willing to host attendees who will need lodging, please let Jodi in the church office know. Watch future bulletins and Zion's website for further information on schedules and registration.

Salem Mennonite Church is hosting a valley-wide, old-fashioned **Hymn Sing** on Sunday, April 8 at 6:00pm. Refreshments will follow.

Zion family,

With utmost gratitude and humbleness we want to say, "Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!" Your love gift as we head to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota truly rejuvenates my soul for your generosity is beyond anything we could have dreamed! These past years of yearning for our little girl to be returned to wholeness have been extremely tough to say the least. The timing and extent of your gift is like a giant hug from our Savior himself, reminding us he is still in control, still providing for our every need, and is still holding us tight as we continue to seek a diagnosis and treatment plan. We are forever grateful!

—In Him, Wendy and Jerry Roth

Thank you, Zion, for your kind words of comfort and gift cards. Your caring is abundant and we ask God to bless you as He has us.

—Shirley and Richard Gingerich

Got News? The next edition of **News for the Pews** will be out on April 8. If you would like to share something with the congregation in the church newsletter, please submit information to the church office no later than Friday, March 30.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Ellie Brandon, who will have surgery this week at Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Portland, and further treatment for a neuroblastoma.
- Gene Gasho, who will have hip surgery this week
- Jaclyn Roth and her family as they leave this week for an unknown amount of time at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, that there might be a breakthrough in diagnosis and treatment, safety in travel, and support whenever needed.
- Our partners in Maranatha Ministries in Mexico, specifically for Sirvando, Abel and Pascual, evangelists, teachers and pastors ministering to fellow members of their Cora tribal communities, usually in their language.
- Safe travels and a time of renewal for students and faculty at various Mennonite colleges, universities and seminaries during spring break now or later this month (Mennonite Education Agency), as well as local families and schools on spring break this week.

A prayer to carry through the week: *“Grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace.”* from the Book of Common Prayer, Anglican

Nursery:

This week: Karen Amstutz, Kelsey Sommer

Next Week: Wendy and Jaclyn Roth

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 124

Offering: \$1,552

MCC/DRC: \$125

Church Staff:

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