

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.

May 6, 2018

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

Singing

MH 73 Be still my soul

MH 542 I've found a friend

HWB 720 Heart with loving heart united

Offering

Children's Story

Scripture: John 15: 9-17

Message: "I Have Called You Friends"

Response Song: *STJ 44 The love of God*

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song: *STJ 109 There is more love somewhere*



Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich
Song Leader: Louise Gingerich
Children's Story: Gina Hansen
Prelude/Offertory: Karen Tro, Kristin Oakes

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

5:00 Jr. Hi and MYF Meet

6:15 Vespers Service at Marquis Center. Pastor Swora leading

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library

12:15pm Prayer Meeting at Zion*

Thursday 9:00am Quilting

Worship Schedule:

May 13: Ascension Sunday. Mathew will be preaching.

Luke 24:44-15

May 20: Pentecost Sunday, with a service of Communion.

Acts 2:1-21 and John 15:26-27

*Please Note: The weekly prayer meeting has been changed from Wednesdays to Tuesdays at 12:15 in Mathew's office. You are welcome to join Mathew and Jana on any Tuesday.

PENTECOST SUNDAY (May 20) WILL INCLUDE A SERVICE OF COMMUNION, in keeping with the Holy Spirit's work of making one body of many members "from every tribe, tongue and nation." Please prepare, in your relationships with God and others, as you best know how, for sharing the bread and the cup with Christ and each other.

From the Pastoral Leadership Team: We have developed and approved, with some consultation from the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference and others, a *Policy of Pastoral Care and Counseling* which gives guidance to pastors and those whom they counsel about proper expectations and boundaries, when to refer to specialists, and how to deal with differences in age and gender, and more. It is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer for your reading. Address any responses and questions to Pastor Mathew Swora or any member of the PLT.

Housekeeping! Please remember that no food or drinks are to be in the carpeted areas of the building. We would especially like to protect the newly installed carpeting from spills and stains. Thank you for keeping your food and drinks in the Fellowship Hall and Gym areas.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY, in helping Zion members going next November to Burkina Faso, to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Mennonite Church there. Last Sunday's fund-raising meal raised \$1,377 after costs for that trip. Please let Pastor Mathew Swora know if you are interested in going. More details about the trip are to come.

Drift Creek Camp Work Weekend: May 11-12

Folks are invited to come out any time on Friday and/or Saturday. We will be working on trails, the bathhouse remodel and cleaning the lodge and cabins. If volunteers arrive on Friday, please bring a sack lunch. An evening meal will be served on Friday, followed by breakfast and lunch on Saturday with sandwiches on Saturday afternoon. We'd love to have your helping hands as the busy summer season approaches. To register, follow this link: www.driftcreek.org/programs.

“Come Walk With Us”

Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference

Annual Gathering – June 21-23 2018, Boise, Idaho

“Come walk with us, the journey is long” are words from a South African hymn that many of us sing in worship. It is also your invitation to come to the PNMC Annual Gathering where there will be workshops, worship, service projects, a public peace witness, and the opportunity to meet new MC USA Executive Director, Glen Guyton. You don't have to be a delegate to be part of the gathering! Check it out and register at pnmc.org/boise-2018/



MCC—My Coins Count

Collection begins Sunday, May 13 and will continue every second Sunday through August.

Bring your coins and spare change and the children will collect them during the beginning of children's story. All donations benefit the work of Mennonite Central Committee

Sermon Outline “I Have Called You Friends”

“Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.”
(John 15: 13-15)

What is so amazing, outstanding, striking, stunning, and unique about this passage?

How is God's kind of friendship similar to human friendship?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Zion's members and friends whose health keeps them home, including Sue Roth, Jim Graber, Vernon Gahler, Luella Hostetler, Olive Kenagy, among others
- Karina Brandt, Quinn Kathrineberg, and Shannon Schrock—the Journey International team in Ecuador—whose gifts are being used in Quito Mennonite Church's ministry among refugees and in an after-school program, that God will use their efforts to bless the people among whom they live (Mennonite Mission Network)
- The more than 550 graduates at EMU's 100th Commencement Ceremony this weekend, including Bethany Chupp, with special thanks for the guest speaker, Nobel Peace Laureate Leymah Gbowee (Mennonite Education Agency)
- Youth ministry leaders from around the country meeting in Kansas City this weekend for The Gathering Live, the annual gathering of youth ministry leaders in MC USA.

A prayer to carry though the week: *"Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire..."* from the Book of Common Prayer, Anglican

Nursery:

This week: Vonnie Oyer, Sheryl Mast
Next Week: Kiara Yoder, Judy Gingerich

Last Sunday:

Attendance:
Offering: \$
Burkina Faso travel: \$1377

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