

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.

August 26, 2018

Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship
Singing
Children's Story
Scripture Reading: Esther 3:1-6; 4:13-17
Drama: "For Such a Time As This"
Dr. Schringck and Queen Esther
Scripture Reading: Esther 5:1-4
Response Song
Offering
Sharing and Prayer
Sending Song
Benediction

Worship Leader: Jana
Song Leader: Julie Yoder
Children's Story: Mathew Swora

9:00-9:30am
10:00-11:15am

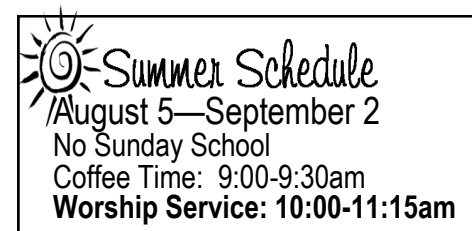
This Morning:
Coffee Time
Worship Service
This Afternoon/Evening
No Activities

This Week:
Tuesday 12:15pm Prayer Meeting at Zion
Thursday 9:00am Quilting

Worship Schedule:

September 2: Focus on faith and work.

September 9: Mathew will be preaching "Till Christ be Formed in You", for Christian Education Sunday



On Sunday, September 2, in correlation with Labor Day weekend, our worship service will focus on how our faith impacts our daily lives through our jobs, our volunteer work, or our own chores. You are invited to bring an item which represents your career or vocation, current or retired. We will display these at the front of the sanctuary for all to see during the service. Secondly, we would like to share with the congregation short testimonies or stories of how and where your faith is integrated into your working world. If you would like to share, please send your written story to the church office or give to Jana Gingerich by Tuesday, August 28. If you have any questions, contact Jana.

On Christian Education Sunday, September 9, we will celebrate our common journey of growth into the image of Christ, by among other things, blessing and commissioning our Christian Education teachers, leaders, sponsors, mentors and commission members. Tony and Brenda Kauffman from Drift Creek Camp will also share about this summer's camp ministry.

Tuesday morning Bible study will begin again on Tuesday, September 4 at 10:00am, meeting in the church Library. The study is of the parables of Jesus, reading both the Bible and "Step by Step through the Parables" by John W Miller. Anyone is invited to join in the study and discussion, Pat Hershberger is facilitating.

It's Time

Come and Enjoy Zion's
17th Annual Chicken BBQ
Sunday, September 9 at Noon
Fundraiser for Drift Creek Camp

Dinners for 8

If you would like to participate in the September, October, and November round of Dinners for 8, sign-up during the month of August. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Contact Vonnie Oyer or Sheryl Mast if you have any questions.



Seth and Brie Ediger
28390 S. Hwy 170
Canby, OR 97013

You're invited to a Baby Shower

A baby shower is planned for Rachel Kropf on Sunday, September 16 at 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Oliver and Rachel are expecting their first baby in October, the gender to be a surprise. Rachel is not registered, but all baby items are appreciated.



Chuy Arellano and Callan Berkey invite you to their wedding on Saturday, September 22 at 3:00pm here at Zion. There is an RSVP list posted on the bulletin board, along with the wedding invitation. Please sign if you plan to celebrate the day with Chuy and Callan.

Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief Saturday, October 13

Start planning for this year's Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief! Interested in volunteering? The Country Store welcomes your donations and involvement. A "Farmer's Market" area will be featured so we need fresh produce: onions, potatoes, squash, pumpkins, tomatoes, kale, gourds, dried flowers, plants, herbs, honey, etc. Think of an old fashioned country store and get creative. Homemade noodles have been one hit in the past. Unfortunately, we cannot accept home canned goods. We need cashiers for 2-hour shifts on the day of the sale. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Donna Brubaker: dbrubaker@centurytel.net or Florence Gingrich: gfgingrich@msn.com. Have something to donate to the auction? Let Stan Oyer know at oyer@canby.com. Group donations of vacation packages, garden or kitchen equipment, or tickets to a sporting event are a great idea! Help make this a great festival to assist those in need around the world.



MCC My Coins Count

Collection Every Sunday,
September 2—October 7

Bring your spare change and the children will collect as they go forward for the children's story every week, beginning September 2 and until the MCC Fall Festival for World Relief. The total collected to date is \$447.90

Bridging Cultures Saturday in the Park September 1, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.

Come to join us for our last summer event at Locust St. Park. We'll have American food, fun activities, and music. It's a great chance to meet your neighbors. See you there!

JOURNEY FORWARD....

...is Mennonite Church USA's churchwide renewal process of engaging in scripture, storytelling and sharing how God is at work in the lives of people and congregations across Mennonite Church USA. It grows out of the Future Church Summit (Summer of 2017) and the Renewed Commitments of Mennonite Church USA. At the heart of these Renewed Commitments are three core values of MC USA:

1. Follow Jesus;
2. Witness to God's Peace; and
3. Experience Transformation.

These core values not only reflect the heart of who we are as contemporary Anabaptists, but can serve as central themes in the ongoing journey of shaping the church's future.

Beginning on Sunday, September 9, Pastor Mathew Swora will lead a Sunday School class in one of the skylight rooms (or elsewhere, if more space is needed), through December, 2018. Using MC USA materials, we will read and discuss Bible passages relating to those three commitments, to reflect on our parts in them in the order below:

Theme 1: Identity and Context

- Session 1.1: Belovedness and Confession
- Session 1.2: Sin, Truth-telling, Repentance
- Session 1.3: Restoration and Commitment

Theme 2: Follow Jesus

- Session 2.1: Radical Christian Discipleship
- Session 2.2: Anabaptist Understandings of Scripture
- Session 2.3: Baptism in the Believers' Church

Theme 3: Witness to God's Peace

- Session 3.1: Living as Witnesses
- Session 3.2: God's Gift of Peace
- Session 3.3: Christ's Redemption of the World

Theme 4: Experience Transformation

- Session 4.1: Living and Worshiping Together
- Session 4.2: The Power of the Holy Spirit
- Session 4.3: Revealing God's Beauty

All of Zion's adults, members and participants of any age, are encouraged to attend and participate. If you plan to do so, please let Pastor Mathew Swora know. You are also welcome to join the class on any Sunday, for any number of classes. But, the more we participate, the greater the benefit for all. Let Pastor Mathew know as well if you are willing to lead all or part of any class.

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Please keep in your prayers:

- All those from Zion MC who have shared in the weekend camping retreat at Nehalem Bay State Park, and who will be returning today, that their fellowship, rest and recreation together will refresh lives and relationships, and for safety in their return home.
- Alisha and Joshua Garber as they participate in the ministries of the Barcelona (Spain) Mennonite Church and share the good news of Jesus with the wider community (Mennonite Mission Network)
- New and returning college students from Zion as they arrive on campuses across the country and begin classes. Also local families, schools, and students as they enjoy the ends of summer vacation and prepare for back-to-school.

A prayer to carry though the week: *“Take from me, Lord, this heart of stone...fill it with your presence, You who are greater than anything within me, and who are more close to me than I am to myself.”*

By Bishop Baldwin of Canterbury, 12th C. England

Nursery:

This week: Nursery not staffed

Next Week: Nursery not staffed

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 106

Offering: \$7,140

Church Staff:

Mathew Swora, Lead Pastor: zionpastor_ms@canby.com
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Ken Kauffman, Cynthia Hockman-Chupp, Stan Oyer

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