

# 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.

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September 16, 2018

## Mennonite World Conference Peace Sunday

Prelude

Singing: *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*  
*Bless the Lord O My Soul*

Greeting

Hymns: *HWB 521 Come Thou Fount*  
*HWB 407 We are people of Gods' peace*

Call to Worship and Prayer

Offering

My Coins Count offering

Children's Story

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 10:12-22, Mathew 25:31-46

Message: "A Peace Church Welcomes The Stranger"  
"Renewal of our Welcome to the Stranger"

Response Song: *STJ There is more love*

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song: *HWB 545 Be though my vision*

Benediction

Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich, Mathew Swora  
Song Leader: Jana Gingerich, Seth Gingerich  
Children's Story: Tom Brenneman

### **This Morning:**

Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom)

Coffee Time

Sunday School for All Ages

Worship Service

### **This Afternoon/Evening**

Vesper's Service at MarquisCenter

### **This Week:**

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library

12:15am Prayer Meeting at Zion

### **Worship Schedule:**

September 23: Celebration of Zion's 125th Anniversary.

Guest Speaker Dr. John Roth, Matthew 28:18-20 and I Corinthians 3:10-11

September 30: Mathew will be preaching "Childlike or Childish?"  
Matthew 19:13-14

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**The Gift Discernment Committee presents for your consideration nominations for the Board of Elders.** A explanatory letter and discernment forms are available on the table in the foyer. Electronic copies were also emailed. Please prayerfully consider persons to serve as Elder. Nomination forms must be returned by Sunday, September 23. They can be emailed back to the Church Office or paper copies left in the box on the table.

**The committee also has prepared a survey of gifts and interests.** Copies were distributed to literature boxes last week and are available on the table in the foyer. Each member or regular attender is asked to complete a survey and return it no later than September 23. Instructions are included in the cover letter.

**A Zion Retreat Survey** (blue paper) was also distributed. The purpose of this survey is to determine whether there is still interest in having an adult retreat every year or whether we might be moving toward an annual family retreat. Or, having both could also be an option. Please take a moment to complete the survey and return it to Stan Oyer by Sunday, September 23.

## Second Sunday

**October 14, 5:30—6:30pm**

October will kick off another season of Second Sunday! 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.

Volunteers from Zion will again be “manning” the Sausage Booth at the MCC Sale on October 13. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board if you would like to help for a shift (or more). Contact Karen Kropf if you have any questions.

There is some split wood in the cemetery that’s free for the hauling. Let Gene Gascho know if you have interest.

**Bridging Cultures** would like to thank you for your participation in our 2018 summer events. We hope you had fun, met new people, and will join us again next summer. We would like you to know how valuable you are to our community. Our Thanksgiving dinner is coming on November 17 at 5 pm, and at Baker Prairie Middle School We hope to see you there!

**Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society (PNMHS)** is hosting a afternoon with Dr. John D. Roth, Goshen IN on Saturday, September 22 at 4:00pm. Dr. Roth is a writer, researcher, and teaches history, Mennonite Anabaptist understandings, and Bible. The PNMHS Heritage Center is located at 6030 Whiskey Hill Rd, next to Zion Mennonite Church. The event is planned as a casual and informal conversation regarding his interest in these subjects, his writings and giving leadership to the Institute for Study of Global Anabaptism. More information on Dr. Roth is at <https://www.goshen.edu/faculty/johndr/> as well as a list of books he has authored.

(Also, see insert for information on Zion’s 125th Anniversary Celebration on September 23)

## Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

**Saturday, October 13**

There are multiple ways and places you can volunteer to help with the Fall Festival. If you are interested in helping with any of the following ways, reach out to the contact person named below:

The Country Store: Donna Brubaker at [dbrucker@centurytel.net](mailto:dbrucker@centurytel.net) or Florence Gingrich at [ggingrich@msn.com](mailto:ggingrich@msn.com)

Auction Donations: Stan Oyer at [oyer@canby.com](mailto:oyer@canby.com)

Quilts Sale: Anita Lindberg at [palindberg@gmail.com](mailto:palindberg@gmail.com) or 503-930-1455

Baked Goods: Wanda Scheler at [knxpark@hotmail.com](mailto:knxpark@hotmail.com) or 541-990-6701.

Pies, homemade cookies, brownies, cinnamon rolls, peppernuts, whoopie pies, dinner rolls, and breads are needed. A flyer with more information and instructions is posted on the bulletin board.

Mennonite congregations in the Willamette Valley are being encouraged to raise funds prior to the MCC Fall Festival sale. The funds raised by each congregation will be used to purchase items or experiences (like concerts, trips, etc.) to be sold at the auction on October 13th. Each congregation can decide what to purchase with their donated funds. If you would like to be a part of this project, put your contribution in the offering basket no later than Sunday, September 23rd. List “MCC Fall Festival” on the memo line of a check. Talk to Stan Oyer if you have any questions or suggestions.



## MCC My Coins Count

*Collection Every Sunday,  
September 2—October 7*

Funds collected support MCC refugee projects.

## Drift Creek Camp’s Fall Quilt, Craft and Scrapbook Retreat October 18-21, 2018

The weekend will be a time for guests to work on projects of their own choosing while DCC takes care of the meals and setting up the lodge workstations. A flyer with registration information is posted on the bulletin board. Registration deadline is October 1. In addition to looking for volunteers to help prepare meals, we also hope to have a crew working on the new caretaker cabin. If you are interested in lending a hand, contact the camp office at [info@driftcreek.org](mailto:info@driftcreek.org) or call 971-600-1244

***“Oh Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
in all generations”***

**Zion Mennonite Church—125 Years  
1893 - 2018**

Next Sunday, September 23, 2018, Zion Mennonite Church celebrates 125 years as an established Mennonite congregation. It's a time to recognize and honor the vision that began this congregation and its continuing life in this community. Zion began with formal organization in June 1893, and erected a church building on its present site in the fall of 1898. An overarching scripture captures the faith of Zion Mennonite: *“Oh Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.”* Psalm 90.

Sunday morning and afternoon are planned with special guest, Dr. John D. Roth, Goshen College professor of history and Director of the Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism.

Schedule of Events:

9:00 – 9:30am Breakfast and fellowship  
9:30 – 10:30am “Treasures in Jars of Clay” - Combined  
Adult Sunday School classes in Sanctuary  
10:45am Worship Service: “No Other Foundation”  
I Cor. 3:11, Dr. John Roth.  
Noon Potluck Meal  
1:00pm Children’s Activity  
1:30pm Presentation: “The Earth is the Lord’s:  
Sharing the Anabaptist Story in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”  
Fellowship time follows with refreshments.

A new story book (or memory book) will be available for purchase. Ken Kauffman organized this project, and Wilbur Kauffman has designed and overseen final production. Thanks to everyone who contributed stories!

Lois Yoder is gathering music and singers to illustrate some music trends over all the years. Zion has used at least five hymnals in the past 125 years.

The planning group encourages you to invite your family and friends to join us on September 23.

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- Next weekend's celebration of Zion MC's 125 years of worship, mission, ministry and mutual aid, that God might be honored and that we might be renewed in our commitment to the Lord and to the faith that inspired Zion's beginnings.
- The people and our Mennonite World Conference partner churches of Ethiopia and Eritrea, in East Africa, whose borders are now open again to each other after twenty years of war, thanking God for the emerging peace, and praying for the Christians still facing persecution in Eritrea
- Martine Audéoud, Gary Wittig, and their son, Samuel, who have made their home in France to care for Martine's aging father, for Gary and Samuel's adjustment to a new culture, and for Martine as she negotiates long-distance teaching in Ivory Coast and frequent travel (Mennonite Mission Network)

**A prayer to carry though the week:** *"You who inspire the hearts of the faithful with a single longing, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, so that in all the changes and chances of this uncertain world, our hearts may be fixed where true joys are to be found."*  
Ancient Christian Prayer

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**Nursery:**

This week: Stacy Berkey, Nancy Beachy  
Next Week: Louise Gingerich, Julie Yoder

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: 161  
Offering: \$5812  
DCC: \$10,694 less expenses

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