

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.



Epiphany Sunday

January 6, 2019

Today we will celebrate with a Service of Communion Epiphany (the revealing of Christ to the Gentiles) and the New Year during worship. All baptized believers in Christ are welcome to share the bread and the cup, whatever or wherever their church membership might be. Today we will distribute the bread and the cups to worshipers while in the pews so that we might take of the bread and the cup simultaneously.

Welcome and Greeting

Singing:

HWB 639 Great God, we sing

STS 29 Brightest and best

Call to Worship

Lighting the Christmas Candles

Prayer

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Offering

Children's Story

Commission and Blessing for MCC Hygiene Kits (with the children)

See Insert

Message: "Sometimes You Don't Really Know What You're Looking For Until..."

Response Song: *HWB 218 As with gladness men of old*

Communion Service

HWB 453 Let us break bread together

HWB 454 Seed, scattered and sown

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song: *HWB 478 Sent forth by God's blessing*

Benediction

Worship Leader: Jana Gingerich
Song Leader: Louise Gingerich
Children's Story: Gina Hansen

This Morning:

9:00am

9:30am

9:45am

10:45am

Coffee Time

Sunday School for All Ages

Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom)

Worship Service

This Afternoon/Evening

No Activities

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am

12:15pm

7:00pm

6:30pm

Thursday 9:00am

4:00pm

Bible Study in Library

Prayer Meeting in Mathew's Office

Christian Education Comm. Meeting

Worship Commission Meeting

Mennonite Women

PLT Meeting

Worship Schedule:

January 13: Mathew will be preaching "Why Church? For the Conflict and The Confession", Matthew 16:13-19

January 20: Mathew will be preaching "For Christ to Be Present", I Corinthians 12:12-13;27

From the Pastoral Leadership Team: They Why, What, and Who of Christ's Body, The Church, will be the focus of teaching and preaching during worship from January 13, 2019, until the first Sunday of Lent (March 10), to help us consider who Christ is in our lives personally and together, and who we are in relation to Christ and each other. This series is intended to encourage, strengthen, or launch our commitment to Christ and each other as we search for ways to make and keep church membership most intentional and meaningful. It will also include reflections and testimonies from among us, in addition to messages from our pastors, one or more combined Sunday School hour classes, and a Sunday evening congregational conversation about membership. Watch the bulletins for more information.

Tuesday morning Bible Study begins this Tuesday, January 8, at 10 a.m. in the Library. All are welcome to join in our study of the Old Testament book of Exodus, God's story. We will consider what relevance this ancient history has to our own story and time, what we may learn from this, and what is our response to Biblical story. Contact Pat Hershberger for more information.

Second Sunday

January 13, 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. **MYF & Jr High meet from 5:30-6:30 following the meal.**

Want to know more about the Christian Faith? About Zion Mennonite Church, the Mennonite perspective, and membership? If so, let Pastor Mathew Swora know and we will schedule adult class sessions of exploration about basic Christian faith, Mennonite church beliefs, baptism and membership at flexible times.

Zion's Adult Retreat at Drift Creek Camp!

Date: January 25-27

Theme: Practicing our Faith: Tangled up with God and Each Other

Scripture: Col. 3:16: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Teach and admonish one another in all wisdom and with gratitude in your hearts, sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

Speaker: Marlene Bogard has spent 30 years interacting with people who care about following Jesus, as a camp director, a Minister of Christian Formation and the director of Mennonite Women USA. Marlene and Mike have two adult sons, one super grandson and live in West Salem.

Cost: \$20/person if it's your first time at the retreat or \$40 if you are returning. Please feel free to invite anyone you would like! There will be an auction to help offset the cost of renting the camp, so don't forget to bring an auction item!

Signup: There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board or a google form link here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/CiPM3F2e6SAu7EEU2>

Questions: Talk to Kelsey Sommer

A Litany To Commission the MCC Hygiene Kits

Leader: With these gifts...

All: ...We have come to worship you.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you came to us as one displaced, a child needing shelter, hungry, naked, and vulnerable. So are the millions of "the least of these, your brothers and sisters" in the world today. We come seeking you among the refugee, the exile and the asylum seeker, with what you have given us out of your abundance. With these gifts...

All: ...We have come to worship you.

Leader: Receive these gifts and bless them, to give joy, comfort and hope to all who receive them, and to bring honor to your name. For with these gifts....

All: ...We have come to worship you.

Leader: May our hearts follow where the treasures you have entrusted to us go, so that these gifts may not be the end of our compassion, but a start, not the fullness of our mercy but the first fruits. For with these gifts....

All: ...We have come to worship you.

In the name of Him "who though he was rich became poor for our sakes," Amen.

OUR FRIENDS IN BRIDGING CULTURES CANBY invite you to an evening of food, friendship and information on Thursday, January 24, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. (The place will be confirmed later) After a joint meal, there will be separate presentations in English and Spanish. For English speakers with citizenship, topics will include: Know your rights; Know your role; What to do if you are with Latinos when ICE show up; How to help the immigrant community here in Canby; Immigration 102, about the complicated and lengthy legalization process.

All high school students are invited to Drift Creek Camp for a Youth Retreat over the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend, January 18-21. This will be an opportunity for youth from across the Conference to gather for fellowship, fun, worship, activities and times of reflection. Registration and details are posted online at www.driftcreek.org. *Zion campships received this past summer can be applied to the cost of registration.*

Dear Zion Family - We have been awed by your love, generosity and partnership with Rolls for Refugees to help wage peace in Syria. Though millions have lived through incredible darkness, you have helped to keep the light shining. THANK YOU! Special thanks to our crack team of bakers this year: Julie Yoder, Kara Kropf, Nancy Histan, Nel Pratchenko and Beth Zukowski. Together in 2018 we:

- * baked over 880 cinnamon rolls
- * sold over 220 pans (THANK YOU!)
- * donated \$1,267.00 to MCC for Syria
- * donated \$1,378.00 to PreEmptive Love (Syria/Iraq)
- * spent \$178.00 for next year's aluminum pans

Since 2015, \$9,298.00 has been donated to Mennonite Central Committee and PreEmptive Love Coalition, who work courageously, often in active war zones, to provide food, shelter, safety and medical care in Syria and Iraq.

—Sheryl Russell

Please remember to be diligent about cleaning the kitchen and Fellowship Hall after you and/or family members have used the facility. (As of now, we only have a paid cleaning crew who cleans once a week.)

- Please take all dish cloths and towels home and launder and return them in a timely fashion
- Make sure any left over food in refrigerator is gone
- No dishes are left in the sink
- Floors should be swept and spot mopped if necessary
- Toilets are all flushed before you leave
- All lights are turned out
- Please remind your guests that there is absolutely *NO* drink and/or food beyond fellowship hall area

Thank you! —Kitchen Committee and Trustees

**"MCC Service in Vietnam, A Personal Story:
From War to Forgiveness"**

Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society's
Annual Meeting and Program

Saturday, January 19, 2019

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Guest speaker and Oregon native Jessie Gingrich Hosteller from Portland Mennonite Church shares her experiences as an MCC volunteer in Vietnam (1966-68) which included being caught-up in the TET offensive, a turning point in the Vietnam War. She will also talk about her ongoing family relationship with that country. For some of us, this war was lived experience; for others it is distant history. Come hear Jessie's inspiring story of God's love and protection and the value of service, particularly during formative years. **We extend a special invitation to our youth and young adults to join us to hear history "come alive."**

Lunch at 12 noon, cost is \$25/person, free program begins at 1:30pm, Lunch RSVP to Gloria Nussbaum 503.645.0616

real2reel@teleport.com

PNMHS can be followed on Facebook and on its website

www.pnmhs.org

Please keep in your prayers:

- Our members recovering from recent hospitalizations, such as Kathy LaBare (shoulder surgery) and Margaret Shetler (pneumonia).
- The people and the country of Burkina Faso, whose government has declared a partial state of emergency in several provinces of the country due to recent Islamist attacks on police and schools. This includes the province of Kenedougou, where most of our Mennonite partner churches are.
- A worker in a sensitive location in Asia, who requests prayer for a ministry of Christian teaching and literature, and that changes in government policies and laws will not hinder this work or the mission worker's visa (Mennonite Mission Network)

A prayer to carry though the week: "O God, of your goodness, give us yourself, for only in you do we have all." By Julian of Norwich, 15th C.

Budget Report: As of December 30, annual income is \$340,417.78, which is \$16,663.78 over budget! Thank you!!

Nursery:

This week: Sheryl Gingerich, Emma Gingerich
Next Week: Stacy Berkey, Kiara Yoder

Last Sunday:

Attendance:
Offering: \$

Greeters Next Week:

Becky Swora, Tom Brenneman,
Dorothy Brenneman, Urszula Balenknowski

Church Staff:

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