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.

February 10, 2019

Gathering: Prelude Welcome, Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship: Colossians 1:18-20 Jesus Christ is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Prayer

Praising God in Hymns and Songs

Offering our Gifts

Prayer of the People

Song

Hearing the Word

Children's Story Scripture Reading: I Cor. 12:20-27 Romans 12:4-6a Sermon: "Differences: Blessing or Threat?" **Responding in Faith**

Song Sharing and Prayer The Community Sends

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Worship Leader: Pat Hershberger Song Leader: Louise Gingerich Children's Story: Frank Howard Prelude/Offertory: Kelsey Sommer

This Morning:

9:00am Coffee Time Sunday School for All Ages 9:30am 9:45am Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom) Worship Service 10:45am Potluck Meal and Budget Meeting Noon This Afternoon/Evening Second Sunday, Jr. Hi, MYF 5:00pm This Week: Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library Prayer Meeting in Mathew's Office 12:15pm Worship Schedule: February 17: Jana will be preaching "A Glimpse of True Community", Colossians 3:12-17 February 24: Frank Howard will be preaching. Galatians 6:1-5

Pastor Mathew will be out of the office this week, until Thursday, February 14, for several days of vacation.

All adult members and attendees are encouraged to join a round table discussion about church membership in the Fellowship Hall *this morning* during the Sunday School hour at 9:30. This is a step in a process, led by the Pastoral Leadership Team (Elders and Pastors) to consider changing Zion MC's membership practices toward regular or annual personal membership covenant renewal.

Annual Budget Meeting TODAY following a Potluck Meal at noon

Everyone is welcome to attend the meal and encouraged to stay for the meeting. Meeting Agenda:

- Structure Team Update
- Search Committee Update
- Affirmation Ballot for Moderator
- Adult Retreat Proposal
 - MennoCon 2019 —Youth
 - —Delegates
- 2018/2019 budget review
- 2018 excess funds

Second Sunday TONIGHT, 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** will be putting together 12 care packages for Zion college students with table games and gym time to follow. Youth are encouraged to bring items they might enjoy receiving in a care package, edible or not. Bring friends too!

A note from Jana: I returned last night from an inspiring week of training for Stephen Ministry in Anaheim, California. I joined 240 laypeople and pastors to gain an understanding of this Christ -centered care ministry. We had a variety of teaching and learning methods- thru presentations, video, group discussion, Q&A, skill practice, and more. I met some wonderful Christians! I look forward to sharing more with you in the weeks to come. Thank you for this opportunity of learning and I covet your prayers for this new ministry!

The Primary Sunday School offering this year benefits the Restoration of Hope ministry of Joseph Mukolwe, a friend of Serenity Coulombe. He provides food, shelter, clothing and Bible teaching to street children in Kenya. Joseph also enrolls the children in school and then tries to get the older kids into high school (which has a tuition) when he has enough funds. Our children, along with their Kenyan counterparts, drew selfportraits, which have been printed onto cards and are for sale in the foyer. Please take a look! The children have raised \$197.07 and would love your help in assisting them to reach their goals of \$400 or more this year. Look up Joseph on Facebook. Joseph. Mukolwe, or at <u>http://rohmi.org/</u>

The purchase of cards or donations can be made directly to the Sunday School department. Contact Stacy Berkey or Karen Kropf.

MYF TREASURE HUNT FUNDRAISER



Help the MYF fundraise for Mennonite Convention in Kansas City, MO July 2nd- July 6th

How the fundraiser works...

Purchase a pin and place your pin on the map of Zion property closest to where you believe the hidden "treasure" is located. Pins will be for sale from the MYF in the foyer of the sanctuary before and after church. The winner receives 4 hours worth of MYF labor (which can be transferred to a friend or neighbor).

I <u>TODAY</u>, the price of a pin is \$5 /pin. I Clue #1: Where kids take their first step

<u>Next Sunday,</u> Feb. 17th, another clue will be and the price of a pin will go up to \$10 /pin.

On Sunday, Feb. 24th, the winner will be announced during the service.

I If you have any questions, I please see Andy Coulombe.



Happy Hunting!

47th Annual Quilting Workshop February 21, 22, and 23

There are still many positions available. Please sign up on the bulletin board for where you would like to help. Quilt registration forms are available on the table in the foyer, and have also been emailed. If you would like to display a quilt, it must be delivered to the church no later than Sunday, Feb. 17.



Creator God,

Thank you that we are a connected people.

We are connected in ways other generations could never have imagined; connected with wires and radio waves,

fibre optic cables and the internet, connected with roads and train tracks and airline flight plans.

We are more connected with each other than at any other time in history and yet...

something isn't right.

Sometimes we are overwhelmed, there are too many people to connect with.

And we are so frantic in our drive to be connected, that we neglect the elemental connection with those right in front of us, friend and stranger whose eyes try to meet us while we stare at our screens. Open our eyes and hearts to the connections you would have us pursue.

Thank you for placing us on planet earth, a world where we are inextricably connected. We breathe the air with other creatures, we walk the same earth, we return to dust like them. Help us to revel in this global family life, to nourish it, to protect it, to steward it.

God of grace, there are places in the world where the disconnect between people is so deep and so wide, we don't know what to do with it.

Places with walls, like Palestine and Israel, Gaza. Places with barbed wire and bomb craters like Afghanistan. Places with factions that don't want to talk--like Syria. Places in our own homes and communities where we feel like we're speaking across a great divide.

There are people in our community who are living in the land of sickness, the land of great pain, the land of depression. They feel separation and estrangement from life as they knew it. Help us to reach out, to offer your love, to be practical in our efforts to comfort.

You are the Great Connector. You brought this great world into being. Re-create us in your image. Fill us with your uniting Spirit. This is what we're praying, in the name of Jesus, who came to connect us with you forever. Amen. By Carol Penner

Please keep in your prayers:

- Family and friends grieving the death of Phyllis Adams early last Sunday morning (Feb. 3) from a stroke, that God would comfort all who mourn. Her burial service was this past Wednesday, February 6.
- Zion MC's upcoming Quilt Workshop, that the love, beauty and hospitality people experience here might bless everyone and honor God.
- Jillian Sokso, who is leading students for several weeks on a learning and service tour of Sierra Leonne, West Africa.
- DOOR (Urban North American service program) city directors as they prepare for a busy season of hosting 179 students who will be serving in urban DOOR locations during their spring breaks (Mennonite Mission Network).

A prayer to carry though the week: "Take away from me all that may not enter Thy realm." By Abraham Joshua Heschel.

Nursery:

This week: Cynthia and Caleb Hockman-Chupp Next Week: Serenity and Ally Coulombe **Greeters Next Week:** Richard Kropf, Sheila Kauffman, Tom and Dorothy Brenneman Last Sunday: Attendance: 145 Offering: \$6,938.65

MYF: \$700

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