

# 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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March 3, 2019

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Call to Worship  
Songs  
Offering  
Children's Story  
Gospel Reading: John 14:1-3  
Message: "Divine Courtship"  
Response Song  
Sharing and Prayer  
Sending Song  
Commissioning: Rev. 22:17  
Benediction

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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.  
Amen.

Worship Leader: Harold Hall  
Song Leader: Louis Yoder  
Children's Story:

9:00am  
9:30am  
9:45am  
10:45am  
Noon

**This Morning:**  
Coffee Time  
Sunday School for All Ages  
Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom)  
Worship Service  
Prime Timer's potluck meal  
**This Afternoon/Evening**  
No activities

**This Week:**  
Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library  
12:15pm Prayer Meeting in Mathew's Office  
6:30pm Worship Commission meeting  
Wednesday 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service, Skylight Room  
Thursday 9:00am Mennonite Women

**Worship Schedule:**

March 10: First Sunday of Lent. Mathew will be preaching.  
Luke 4:1-13

March 17: Second Sunday of Lent. Mathew will be preaching  
"Our Citizenship In Heaven, Philippians 3:17-4:1

*Jana is returning this afternoon from attending the Mennonite Health Assembly in Witchita, KS.*

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**"CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART..."**(Psalm 51: ) is a prayer with which Lent begins, on Wednesday of this week, March 6. You are invited to an Ash Wednesday service of prayer, worship and of the imposition ashes in the Skylight Room at 6:30 PM.

**Got a testimony? A witness on your heart** of what God has done for you? Or of what you need and seek from God? During each Sunday service of Lent this year, we will ask, "Who will call upon the Lord today?" followed by one person's sharing of a short testimony in keeping with the theme of that Sunday. But, we'd like to know beforehand. Those themes will include: enduring/overcoming trial and temptation; awakening to God and God's call; personal renewal and transformation; reconciliation and restoration of relationships; of dashed and restored hopes, or more. Please contact Pastors Mathew Swora or Jana Gingerich if you have any such to offer in worship during Lent, and we'll schedule it.

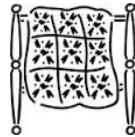
**Nurture your children's faith** at home this Lent and Easter. Find a **free, downloadable Lent At Home guide** at [mennoniteusa.org/lent2019](http://mennoniteusa.org/lent2019). It includes Bible readings, short litanies, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder from March 5 through Easter Sunday on April 21.

## Second Sunday

**March 10, 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 meet after the meal.**

Thanks again to everyone who helped with this year's Quilting Workshop, whether it was for a few hours or a few minutes. Every volunteer is greatly appreciated! This year, we received 743 guests and served soup lunch to 642 of them. Donations received totaled \$3,980.75 and One Fair World sold \$6500 worth of merchandise.



Make plans for our 48th Annual workshop next February!

*Thank you for the very lovely floral arrangement brought to our home by Ken & Nancy Beachy on behalf of the Good Cheer Committee, in honor of Gil's mom who died in late January at the age of 94. How very thoughtful of the Committee to think of us.*  
—Sincerely, Gil & Jan Buller

The Church Council and Elders thank you for your responses to Mathew's transition scenario letter. Your feedback is important. We received 54 responses with strong support for the presented scenario. We will be working through the details of the transition plan this month. In the next couple of weeks, some of you may be contacted for further follow-up or to answer questions you may have had. Your continued prayers are appreciated as Zion continues through this process.

You are invited to...

### **Bridging Cultures Fundraising Dinner**

**March 16, 2019 at 6pm at Zion MC**

Please join us for an evening of goodwill, good food, and good company.

With your help we continue to: Bridge to our neighbors, Bridge to language, Bridge to technology, Bridge to immigration services. We truly appreciate your support.

**You are invited to attend the Mennonite Disaster Service Oregon Unit Annual Meeting on March 23**, beginning at 10:00am at Zion MC. Guest speakers will be Elizabeth Soto Albrecht, Professor at Lancaster Theological Seminary and MDS Coordinator for Puerto Rico; and Michelle Hamrick, American Red Cross Senior Disaster Program Manager and Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (ORVOAD) President, who will be speaking about the role of ORVOAD and its members in disaster response in Oregon. There will be reports of 2018 service projects and the new MDS Oregon Unit tool trailer will be on display. Lunch will be provided. *Please RSVP by March 17* to Clyde Hockman, Oregon Unit Secretary, at [chockman@canby.com](mailto:chockman@canby.com) or 503-263-1210

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- Zion MC's ongoing discernment of church leadership structure and the search process for a Faith Formation Pastor, that they will continue receiving wise and gifted input and leadership, and keep making progress toward fruitful outcomes, by God's grace and guidance.
- Ken and Nancy Beachy, and Gene and Judy Gascho, who are beginning a short term of service in Phoenix, AZ, with SOOP (Service Opportunities With Our Partners)
- Our partner churches and saints in the Democratic Republic of Congo, that they may be faithful worshippers of Jesus in their hearts and their actions, especially after the country's recently delayed and contested election. May there be a peaceful, just and fair transfer of power, and may the new government have the resources and the wisdom to respond well to crises such as a new Ebola outbreak (Mennonite World Conference)

**A prayer to carry though the week:** *"God, of your goodness, give me yourself; you are enough for me, and anything less that I could ask for would not do you full honor...in you alone I have everything."* by Julian of Norwich, 14th C. England

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**Nursery:**

This week: Jennifer and Emma Gignerich

Next Week: Carolyn Yoder, Eliza Gingerich

**Greeters Next Week:** Richard Kropf, Chris Keady, Tom Brenneman, Dorothy Brenneman

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: 173

Offering: \$3567

MYF fundraising:\$784

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**Church Staff:**

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