

# 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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July 28, 2019

## God's Nomads: Stars and Promises

Our worship focus this morning will be on the theme, text, and drama of Vacation Bible School, which begins this evening.

Welcome, greeting, announcements  
Singing  
Call to Worship  
My Coins Count and Offering  
Scripture reading; Genesis 12:1-5  
Drama

*What has been the biggest change, or move, in your life?  
When have you had to simply act in faith, while unsure or  
insecure about the outcome?  
What is it that you have hoped, longed, labored and prayed for  
most in your life, which has not yet been fully accomplished?*

Sharing and Prayer  
Sending Song

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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: Jana and Mathew  
Song Leader: VBS Worship Band

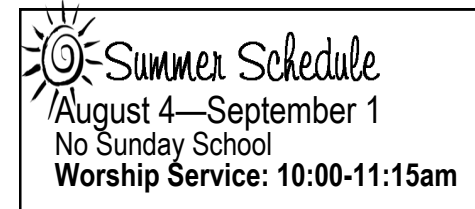
**This Morning:**  
9:00am Coffee Time  
9:30am Sunday School for All Ages  
9:45am Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom)  
10:45am Worship Service  
**This Afternoon/Evening**  
6:30-8:30pm Vacation Bible School begins  
**This Week:**  
Mon—Thur 6:30-8:30pm VBS  
Tuesday 12:15pm Prayer Meeting in Mathew's Office  
Thursday 9:00am Quilting

### Worship Schedule: 10-11:15am

August 4: Hymn Sing  
August 11: Frank Howard, "Children of God", John 1:1-18.  
August 18: Wendell and Karen Amstutz will bring a message  
August 25: Pastor Mathew Swora will preach  
September 1: Labor Day. *Please email to the church office a photo of you at your workplace to be included in special slide show*

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**We will soon begin our Summer Schedule Please Note:**



**There will be NO Coffee Time/breakfast from August 4—September 1.** There was not enough response from people available to help during our summer schedule. Regular Coffee Time will begin again on September 8. The Coffee Time committee is still looking for more volunteers to help in the kitchen for breakfast time throughout the year. It's a commitment of one Sunday a month to set up and clean up. Contact Luanne Berkey or Sheryl Mast.

### PRIMETIMERS-- Reminder:

Ken and Shelia Kauffman are hosting us for a picnic at noon on Tuesday, July 30. Table service will be provided. Bring a main dish, salad or dessert.

## Vacation Bible School

**All volunteers are asked to arrive at 5:45 to get costumes and review materials before staff meeting beginning at 6:00pm.** Materials are ready for Group Leaders if they'd like to pick them up this morning in the Fellowship Hall foyer.

On Thursday evening, everyone is invited to join the final worship service beginning at 7:45pm under the VBS tent. Refreshments will follow.

**The Tuesday morning Bible Study** is taking a summer break until September 10, when the study begins on the book of Acts, a continuation of Luke's story of Jesus and the early followers of The Way. Anyone is invited to join. Contact Pat Hershberger for more information.

**On Saturday, August 3, as a Zion activity, we plan to float the Willamette River** from Wheatland Ferry to San Salvador, St. Paul. If interested, contact Leon Rohrer-Heyerly at least 3 days before the trip so that we can get a count of who wants to go as we need to make sure we have enough vessels and supplies for everyone. Departure time from Zion will be in the morning but the exact time is to be determined.

**MCC School Kit supplies are always needed.** Watch for sales on these items. A list is available on the MCC website or look in the back of the Mennonite Women's handbook for details.

**MCC Asylum and Immigration Detainee Care Kits must be received by July 31.** Donations may be left in the Sanctuary foyer.

**Lombard Mennonite Peace Center** will be in the Pacific Northwest this fall. **Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders** will be offered **October 14-18, 2019** at Calvary Lutheran Church in Federal Way, WA. Info is at <https://lmpeacecenter.org/events-page/msti/>

*At the recent Zion Leadership Table meeting, this mediation skills training was discussed and it was agreed that the information and training would be beneficial to Zion. Church leadership and others who have interest are encouraged to attend. The hope is to send several people for training. Budgeted funds are available to cover expenses. If you are interested, please contact Kevin Hockman-Chupp, Mathew or Jana.*

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- Vacation Bible School, starting this week, that it will bring honor to God and life to all leaders, teachers, attendees and helpers.
- Laura Schlabach, interim executive director of JCS International, a consortium of mission agencies in Mongolia of which Mennonite Mission Network is a part, and the rapidly growing church in this country (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Mennonite Central Committee and our Mennonite World Conference partner churches in Nepal, which are serving people and communities devastated by recent monsoon season flooding (Mennonite World Conference)

**A prayer to carry though the week:** *“Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth...”* from the Book of Common Prayer, Anglican

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**Nursery:**

This week: Nursery Not Staffed

Next Week: Nursery Not Staffed

**Greeters Next Week:** Don Yoder, Kelly Yoder,  
Florence Regier

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: 132

Offering: \$1960.81

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**Church Staff:**

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