

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.

September 22, 2019

"We invite you and your congregation to observe Peace Sunday together with brothers and sisters in the global Anabaptist church family on 22 September 2019.... The theme for this year's Peace Sunday is: "A peace that surpasses all understanding...." This year's Peace Sunday resources focus on those times when the peace of Christ surpasses what we may perceive as impossible. Sometimes amazing and wondrous things happen when our conduct is worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:27). In short, we experience a peace that surpasses all understanding."

From the Peace Commission of the Mennonite World Conference

Prelude

Welcome and Greetings

Announcements

Call to Worship: O.T. Scripture: Daniel 6: 15-23a

Singing

Offering and My Coins Count

Children's Story

Message Text: Philippians 4: 4-9

Message: "Managing Fear Lest It Manage Us"

Response Song

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

Benediction

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: Ken Kauffman
Song Leader: Jana Gingerich
Children's Story: Vonnie Oyer
Prelude/Offertory: Rachel Kropf

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

5:00pm

Tuesday

10:00am

12:15pm

Saturday

9:00am

Worship Schedule:

September 29: Galatians 5: 5-6: "When Ideology Comes to Church"

October 6: World Communion Sunday; John 17: 20-25;

"Our Inclusion into God"

October 13: Revelation 5:6-14, "On Worship"

October 20: Pastor Jana preaches

October 27: Anabaptist Heritage Sunday. Matthew 5: 1-11, "The Blessed Community"

November 3: Galatians 6:1-5 "Fellow Travelers On the Road"

The Adult Sunday School class meeting in the Skylight Room is starting a new study of the book *The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today* by Meghan Good and Gregory Boyd. You are welcome to join! The book can be purchased at: heraldpress.com/books/the-bible-unwrapped. This website also has a downloadable study guide to go with the book.

TODAY: Ron and Kara Kropf are hosting MYF from 5-6:30pm for a hot dog roast and games at their house. Invite a friend and have some fun!



Volunteers are asked to join the Trustees on Saturday, September 28, beginning at 9am for a fall work-day. Bring yard and garden tools if you have them. Several projects need attention before the weather turns.

Contact Steve Masingila if you have any questions.

The Christian Education Commission has asked Kevin and Cynthia Hockman-Chupp to lead the Junior High Program. They have agreed to take this on if Cynthia can be relieved of the last 3 months of her Elder term, which would otherwise conclude at the end of December. Kevin and Cynthia see advantages to this as with the new Zion Leadership Table formation, it would be best if both spouses are not represented at the Table. The Zion Leadership Table accepted her resignation.

Zion thanks Cynthia for her service as an Elder, and we ask that you keep Kevin and Cynthia in your prayers as they begin service in this ministry with Zion's youth.

Drift Creek Camp is planning a work day for Friday, September 27 to get the camp ready to reopen. Please email info@driftcreek.org if you're planning to attend so they know how many to expect.

Come join the Drift Creek Camp Slug Run!

- **Date: September 28, 2019, 10AM**
- Location: Cedar Vale Events—6486 S. Sconce Rd. Hubbard
Sign up by September 22nd to be guaranteed a t-shirt. Questions? Contact Kelsey Sommer (kelseyoder@gmail.com) or Trish Handrich (trish.handrich@gmail.com)

Coming up:

Western Mennonite Church (9045 Wallace Rd NW, Salem) is planning a Hymn Sing on Sunday, October 6th, from 4:00—5:00pm. You are invited to join.

Portland Mennonite Church is proud to welcome Ted & Co. back to the PNW on Saturday, November 16 at 7pm for "We Own This Now", a unique and moving piece of art and storytelling. The show is free but there will be an offering to cover some costs of hosting and to support local anti-racism efforts. Led by veteran actor Ted Swartz, Ted & Company TheaterWorks uses humor and professional storytelling to talk about issues of faith and social justice through live shows, DVDs, digital videos, scripts, discussion guides, and more. Their team of dynamic actors and musicians are passionate about creating art that provokes both laughter and reflection, as all good comedy does.

More information at: <https://www.portlandmennonite.org/ted>

Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

Saturday, October 12, Linn County Fair and Expo Center

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. 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 29th.** List "MCC Fall Festival" on the memo line of a check. Talk to Stan Oyer if you have any questions or suggestions on what to purchase.

There is a sign up list for helping in the Sausage Booth on the bulletin board in the foyer. Zion has served this booth for over 30 years. Your help over the years has been much appreciated! Plan to spend the day there and give an hour serving sausage and kraut. Contact Shawn Epp if you have questions.

Baked Goods: Pies (no cream pies), homemade cookies, brownies, cinnamon rolls, pepper-nuts, whoopie pies, dinner rolls, and breads are needed. *There are pie tins available on the table in the foyer for your use.*

Contact: Julia Todd, 0926jrt@gmail.com, 541-405-8967.

MCC My Coins Count

Collection every Sunday through October 5

From Bob Buxman, our West Coast Mennonite Central Committee Church Relations Representative: *Thank you for the gift of 60 Refugee Kits that you made, and then delivered on 7/27/2019. (In addition to the Refugee Kits, heartfelt gratitude for your participation in the making and giving of backpacks for border families). Last year MCC shipped 24,530 Refugee Kits to Jordan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Democratic Republic of Korea (North Korea), Iraq, Ukraine, Syria, Lebanon, Haiti, Burkino Faso and Canada. Many thanks on behalf of the hundreds of people who will know that they are loved by God through your compassionate acts, for you also have experienced God's love.*

Please come to a **Grocery Shower Potluck for Wyatt and Ali Roth** on *Sunday, September 29 at noon* in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a potluck dish to share and a bag of grocery staples or a gift card to shower the Roths with our love and support as they begin their married life together.



You are invited to
Behold and Become
a Women's Tea Luncheon
Saturday, October 5, 11am—1pm
in the Fellowship Hall
Please RSVP to Rachel Kropf (rachelgaeddert@gmail.com,
503-989-7440) by October 1

Please join us on the **Second Sunday evening of each month** for a time of **Popcorn and Prayer**. All ages are welcome and children will be included. We will start the evening around bowls of popcorn with a time of sharing items for prayer for us personally, or on behalf of others we know and concerns for the church body. We will begin prayer time with praise and thanksgiving, and then move into our specific prayer requests. Not everyone is expected or asked to pray out loud or lead in any way, but rather experience a time when our hearts are humbled and we worship in prayer with one another, listening for the Spirit's leading and glorifying the One who made us and saved us. Contact Sheryl Mast for more information or if you have any questions. **The first Popcorn and Prayer will be Sunday, October 13 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

Additional Note: There will be a time of praying for and with the children in the beginning, and then those aged 2 and older will be released to go with Janice Miller and Brie Ediger to the Library for story time followed by activity time in the Gym.

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18



To Zion Mennonite Attenders:

On Friday, September 20, Stephen Ministry began for a group of five lay people from our congregation. This training for caring ministry was developed by Stephen Ministries St. Louis.

Over the next few months our Stephen Minister trainees will receive extensive training in Christian caring skills. Some of the areas they will cover include listening effectively, dealing with feelings, confidentiality, using the resources of Christianity, being assertive, and a number of topics dealing with specific life crises. This training will emphasize the theology of caring for the whole person.

Following the training, these women will be commissioned as Stephen Ministers to carry out ministries of caring within our congregation and community, with people experiencing such problems in life as hospitalization, grief, depression, loneliness, and many other life crises. Working under my guidance and supervision, the Stephen Ministers will extend the capacity of our congregation to care.

Those attending the Stephen Ministry training are Carolyn Yoder, Karen Kropf, Luanne Berkey, Sheryl Mast, and Chris Keady. They are committing to two years as Stephen Ministers. Please keep these women in your thoughts and prayers as they receive this training for caring ministry.

If you have any questions about Stephen Ministry training and caregiving, please feel free to contact me.
In His Service,
Pastor Jana Gingerich

Please keep in your prayers:

- Pastor Jana Gingrich and Carolyn Yoder, Karen Kropf, Luanne Berkey, Sheryl Mast, and Chris Keady who participated in the first session/retreat of our new Stephen's Ministry, that they and their service to God and to us might be blessed and be a blessing.
- The newest member church of the MWC, the Uganda Mennonite Church, which has recently passed a milestone in growth by installing its first bishop (Mennonite World Conference)
- Renewed faith and calling for students at Eastern Mennonite Seminary during seminary spiritual life week (Mennonite Education Agency)

A prayer to carry though the week: *"Lord, don't let me ever say to any person what I just said to my computer!"*

ICU Cards (Intimate Care Unleashed) are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Pick up a card (or more) and take a moment to write a note of encouragement or affirmation to someone in our church family.

Nursery:

This week: Elizabeth Masingila, Simon Masingila
Next Week: Brie Ediger, Gina Hansen

Greeters Next Week: Charlie Gingerich,
Sheila Kauffman, Urszula Balenkowski

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 188
Offering: \$3778

Church Staff:

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