

# 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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October 13, 2019

Prelude  
Gathering, Welcome, and Announcements  
Call to Worship and Prayer: Psalm 96 and Isaiah 6  
Prayer  
Singing:  
    *HWB 37 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
    *HWB 50 Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah*  
    *HWB #124 O Worship the Lord*  
Offering  
Children's Story  
Song: *HWB 81 Oh For a Thousand Tongues*  
Prayer  
Scripture Reading: Revelation 5:6-14  
Message  
Response Song  
Sharing and Prayer  
Sending Song: *HWB 118 Praise God from Whom*  
Benediction

Today's offertory, played by Kristin Oakes and Mathew Swora is a 19th C. American revivalist hymn, "Zion's Walls," arranged by Aaron Copland for voice and piano. The words are: "Come, fathers and mothers, come sisters and brothers, come join us in singing the praises of Zion. O' children don't you feel determined, to meet within the walls of Zion? We'll shout and go 'round, (4x) the walls of Zion (2x)."

Worship Leader: Pat Hershberger  
Song Leader: Julie Yoder  
Children's Story: Toby Keady  
Prelude/Offertory: Mathew Swora,

**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**  
5-6:30pm MYF at Callan and Chuy's  
6:00pm Popcorn and Prayer, Fellowship Hall  
**This Week:**  
Monday 5:30pm Stephen Ministry training  
Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study in Library  
12:15pm Prayer Meeting in Mathew's Office  
**Worship Schedule:**  
October 20: Jana will be preaching "Slowly Savoring Scripture"—Psalm 139  
October 27: Anabaptist Heritage Sunday. Matthew 5: 1-11, "The Blessed Community"  
November 3: Galatians 6:1-5 "Fellow Travelers On the Road"

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The first gathering of **Popcorn and Prayer** is TONIGHT at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. All ages are welcome, with Library time and children's activities planned for those aged 2 and older.

Semi-annual Business Meeting  
Sunday, October 27  
following a

Potluck Meal and MYF Dessert Fundraiser at noon  
Please bring a main dish or side dish for the potluck. The MYF will be serving Root Beer Floats and accepting donations as a fundraiser for future events.

*In your church mailbox today you will find a copy of the 2019 Annual Report. Please review the report and bring your copy with you to the meeting on October 27.*

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*Thank you to our Church family for the prayers, flowers, cards, and visit from Adrian and Kay in the loss of Joe's brother, Jack.*  
—Joe and Marlene Harris

**The Primary Sunday School Department will again be gifting Bibles to new Sunday School students.** There are several new Bibles on a table in the Fellowship Hall foyer. If you'd like, please underline or mark your favorite verse and write your name beside it. This is a wonderful opportunity to share with our youngest church attenders! If you have any questions, contact Karen Kropf or Stacy Berkey. Bibles will be gifted during the worship service on October 20th.

There are several high chairs located in the room off the kitchen. If you are in need of one, or know of someone who is, please feel free to take one no later than October 31st. We are purchasing new ones to have here at the church. Please leave the booster seats, only the high chairs are available. Questions? Talk to Sheryl Mast or Luanne Berkey.

**The Canby Center's Reading Mentors Program** is now recruiting volunteers to join the team! Volunteer Mentors read one-on-one with each child for 30 minutes a week during the school year. The time commitment for a volunteer is only one hour per week, but the impact on a child can last a lifetime. If you'd like to share your love of learning with a local student, please contact Kathleen Hanberg [kathleen@thecanbycenter.org](mailto:kathleen@thecanbycenter.org) for details.

**The Stephen Ministry training class at Zion** meets on Monday nights. A big part of a Stephen Minister's caregiving is concerned with helping care receivers recognize, accept, and express their feelings, and then trust God to give them healing and wholeness. Trainees learn about the benefits of expressing feelings and the harm that can come when feelings remain unexpressed. These people are a blessing to our church community (Sheryl Mast, Luanne Berkey, Carolyn Yoder, Karen Kropf and Chris Keady) and we wish God's blessings upon them. Please keep them in your prayers.

1. What is this passage about?
2. Why did John and his disciples need these "pictures" of the "real world?"
3. Why do we need them, too?
4. How do we enter "the real world?"

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- David Gingerich, as he is licensed for ministry by the Virginia Mennonite Conference and installed today as Associate Pastor at Grace Mennonite Fellowship in Rockingham, VA., and for Ericka, his wife, and their children, Lilianna and Josiah. They have been part of Zion until they left for David's seminary studies several years ago.
- New leaders who officially begin their responsibilities in Mennonite Church of Congo this week, such as Pastor Fidele Yongo, president; Pastor Martin Musukisa, vice president; and Charles Kazadi, general secretary, that they might serve the denomination with grace, vision and faithfulness (Mennonite Mission Network)
- Pray for the Goshen College community as they celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day tomorrow (Oct. 14), exploring the past, present and future of Native, Settler and immigrant people together on this good earth (Menn. Education Agency)

**A prayer to carry though the week:** *"Lead me after you by the strings of Your love."* Francois Fenelon, 17th C. France

**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.

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**Nursery:**

This week: Eva Coulombe, Judy Gingerich

Next Week: Cynthia Hockman –Chupp and Joshua

**Greeters Next Week:** Sheila Kauffman,

Carol Stringer, Denny Stringer

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: 132

Offering: \$5097

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**Church Staff:**

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