

# Zion Mennonite Church

Zion Mennonite Church covenants to grow together as a Christ-centered community, worshipping God, 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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January 12, 2020

We welcome to Sunday School and worship today Ken and Katherine Pitts. Katherine is the Executive Conference Minister of our Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference, of Mennonite Church USA. Ken teaches part-time on sustainability, climate change and resource consumption, and devotes other time to wildlife photography. Ken will speak on the science of climate change in the sanctuary during the Sunday School hour, and Katherine will bring the message during worship.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Singing:

*HWB 154 This is God's Wondrous World*

Offering

Children's Story

Scripture: Romans 8: 18-24

Message: "Hope Is A Verb"

Response Song: *STJ 27 God of the Bible*

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Song

Benediction

Worship Leader: Mathew Swora  
Song Leader: Charlie Gingerich  
Children's Story: Katherine Pitts

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

5:00-6:30  
6:00pm

Monday 7:00pm  
Tuesday 10:00am  
12:15am

## Worship Schedule:

January 19: Jana will be preaching "Cups of Cold Water",  
Colossians 1:3-6; 9-14

January 26: Mathew will be preaching "Three-point Navigation"  
Micah 6:1-8

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## This Morning:

Coffee Time

Sunday School for All Ages

Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom)

Worship Service

## This Afternoon/Evening

MYF and Jr. Hi BUNCO

Popcorn and Prayer

## This Week:

Christian Ed. Commission Mtg

Bible Study meets in Library

Prayer meeting in Mathew's Office

## Popcorn and Prayer

**TONIGHT, 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall**

There will be a short time of fellowship while we snack on popcorn, followed by prayer time. Children ages 2 years to 5th grade are invited to join us for stories, songs, and crafts in the Library. Please come! Everyone is welcome!

## Zion All Church Retreat at Drift Creek Camp January 24-26

Money has been budgeted for this retreat so it is free to all who would like to attend. Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the foyer by Sunday, January 19 if you will be attending. There will be a silent auction to raise funds for DCC if you would like to bring auction items. We will also take an offering at the retreat for DCC. If you have questions or would be willing to help plan, see Vonnie Oyer.



**Next Sunday we will be commissioning our new Stephen Ministers** who are finishing up their training this month. They are Carolyn Yoder, Karen Kropf, Luanne Berkey, Sheryl Mast and Chris Keady. Please continue to keep them and this new ministry at Zion in your prayers.



Dear Zion: We give thanks to God, whose presence we sense and whom we see at work and whom we see in YOU. We continue to be awed by your love, generosity and partnership with

Rolls for Refugees to help wage peace in Syria and Iraq. Special thanks to you for your support and to our expert bakers and kitchen experts this year: Kara Kropf, Nancy Hestand, Kristin Oakes, Urszula Balenkowski, Luanne Berkey, Judy Gingerich and Eileen Bacon. And thanks to Stacy Berkey and Karen Kropf for showing up to help us distribute. Together in 2019 we:

- \* Baked over 800 cinnamon rolls/200 pans
- \* Donated \$1,054.00 to Mennonite Central Committee
- \* Donated \$1,500.00 to PreEmptive Love Coalition

Since 2015, together we have raised \$11,900.00 for MCC and PLC, who work courageously, often in active war zones, to provide food, shelter, warmth, safety and medical care in Syria and Iraq. It wouldn't have happened without you.

Hugs and HUGE THANKS! -Sheryl Russell

*Thank you so much for the prayers, meals, plant and visits. Our church family means a lot to us.* —Louise and John Gingerich

The world welcomed a baby girl, Libby Jo born to Jesse and Katrina Fitzpatrick on January 7 weighing 6 lbs. 7 oz. and 19 inches long. Congratulations to them as well as grandparents, Richard and Karen Kropf and uncle and aunt, Ron and Kara Kropf.



**FROM OUR PACIFIC NORTHWEST MENNONITE CONFERENCE:**

The Annual Conference Communication Council is on Saturday, February 1, 9am, at Portland Mennonite. Michelle Armster and Karin Kauffman Wall from MCC Central States, will be guest speakers, presenting on intercultural competency. *We want to be a diverse church, we want to build bridges across cultural divides in our communities, but where do we start? Once we've started, how do we go deeper?* Please contact Barb Buxman at [office@pnmc.org](mailto:office@pnmc.org) for details. Register by January 24 at [pnmc.org/cc-registratio/](http://pnmc.org/cc-registratio/)

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- The family of Vernon Gahler, who passed away this week. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 19 at 3:00pm at Zion MC.
- All those in leadership at Zion and serving on Zion's leadership table, as they meet to interview two interim pastoral candidates on Saturday, January 18. May God give wisdom and guidance to their discernment and decisions.
- The people and the growing movement of house churches in Iran, as tensions and threats of more violence and retaliation mount between their country and ours after the killing of an Iranian military leader by a U.S. drone.
- Hong Kong and its churches, including our Mennonite World Conference partners, in this sixth month of unrest, that there may be unity in the face of increasing repression by the Chinese government, and reconciliation between the authorities of China and Hong Kong and between the police and protesters (Mennonite Mission Network)

**A prayer to carry though the week:** *"Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light."* Pope Francis

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**Nursery:**

This week: Stephanie Moyer, Eliza Gingerich

Next Week: Kara Kropf, Carolyn Gingerich

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

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: 138

Offering: \$3862

**Church Staff:**

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