

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.

March 1, 2020

First Sunday of



Prelude
Gathering
Announcements
Call to Worship
Prayer
Singing
Offering
Children's Story
Scripture Reading: John 13:31-35; 15:9-17
Message
Response Song
Sharing and Prayer
Sending Song
Benediction

Worship Leader: Andy Coulombe
Song Leader: Charlie Gingerich
Children's Story: Brie Ediger
Prelude/Offertory: Kelsey Sommer

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

No Activities

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study meets in Library
Thursday 9:00am Mennonite Women

Worship Schedule:

See Insert for this year's Lent theme and worship schedule.

We are looking for your help to get Mathew and Becky's quilt finished. ALL (men and women) are welcome to put in a few stitches, even if you do not consider yourself a "quilter." We will be working every Thursday from 9am to 2pm. For those of you not able to help during the daytime, we also will schedule some times in the evening so you can help, too. We'll let you know when we do that. Training will be given if needed. This project will take us four to six months to finish. Plan to join us and show your love to Mathew and Becky for their service at Zion! If you have any questions, contact Gloria Gingerich.

Fundraiser Meal supporting Vida Feliz Senior Center Sunday, March 8 at noon

This is our annual fundraiser meal benefitting the Senior Center in El Torno, Bolivia. The funds collected, combined with donations received at the quilting workshop, provide a substantial amount of support for the annual expenses of the Center. Our friends at La Iglesia Roca de Salvacion will be preparing a delicious meal of enchiladas with rice and beans.

Please come and invite your friends!

Bridging Cultures Fundraising Dinner

at Zion Mennonite Church

Saturday, March 14 at 6:00pm

Please join us for an evening of good will, good food, and good company as we support the work of Bridging Cultures to build bridges to neighbors, language, technology, legal status, and leadership in our community. \$40 per person or \$160 Per 1/2 table (4 people). Please Register at <http://bit.ly/BC2020RSVP>



Thank you, again, to everyone for all of your time, gifts, and talents given to this year's Quilting Workshop!!

Attendance— 588

Soup Lunches Served— 542

Donations— \$3,588

Expenses —\$738

Offerings to offset expenses—\$470

Total Donation for Vida Feliz Senior Center - \$3,320

One Fair World sales - \$7,123 (up 9% from last year)*

*This is one important annual event that helps keep the doors open in Salem

I just wanted to say thank you for taking the time to think of me and sent a Valentine's goodie box out to me. I loved all the treats! Thanks again!

—Drew Berkey

The Oregon Unit of Mennonite Disaster Service will hold their annual meeting on Saturday, March 28 from 10am—2pm at Lebanon Mennonite Church. Lunch will be provided. A copy of the meeting agenda is on the Mission's bulletin board in the foyer. If you plan to attend, please let Clyde Hockman know by March 21 (chockman@canby.com or 503-263-1210)

Also on Saturday March 28, at 7:00pm at Albany Mennonite Church, Ted & Co will present "Boots, Buckets, and Barrows". This is a unique fundraiser to support the continued work of Mennonite Disaster Service. Admission and entertainment is free; plan to bid on an auction of buckets filled with breads and other homey items. More information is posted on the bulletin board and a flyer has been put in literature boxes.

"We Behold His Glory" – John 13-18

In Jesus's time, the cross was a symbol associated with great disgust and disgrace (cursed is he who hangs upon the tree). In reverse, Christ took a symbol as disgusting as the cross and transformed it into a symbol of Glory. It is by His obedience to His Father that all things wretched can be transformed, not by the "power of the cross" but by the Glory of the Son, who is the Glory of the One and Only.

The book of John, chapters 13-17 tell us what Jesus said to his disciples on the night before his death. These words were all spoken in one evening when, with only the disciples as his audience, he gave final instructions to prepare them for his death and resurrection, events, that would change their lives forever.

Worship Schedule:

Second Sunday of Lent: March 8—Bill Blank

John 13:31-38, Love one another (also connect with John 5:9-27)

Third Sunday of Lent: March 15—Kim Arredondo

John 14: 15-31, The promise of the Holy Spirit

Fourth Sunday of Lent: March 22—Bill Blank

John 15: 1-17, Remaining in the vine

Fifth Sunday of Lent: March 29—Bill Blank

John 16: 5-16, The workings of the Holy Spirit and Prayer

Sixth Sunday of Lent: April 5—Frank Howard

John 17, The three prayers of Jesus

Good Friday Service: April 10—Bill Blank and Jana Gingerich

John 19: 16-37, The Crucifixion of Jesus

Easter Sunday: April 12—Bill Blank

John 20: 1-18, The Resurrection of Jesus and appearing to Mary

Please keep in your prayers:

- Those who experience physical pain; may they find relief and healing.
- Those who struggle with mental health which affects their daily life; may they learn ways of coping and experience freedom from their burdens.
- Those who are elderly or shut-in and may be experiencing loneliness; may they know and feel God's presence and receive timely visits from others.
- Many in our church family who are caretakers or have other family members whose health they are concerned about; may they find rest, renewal, and continued encouragement.

A prayer to carry though the week: *"Lord, give us true words to pray for one another. Burden our hearts with shared sorrow, and delight our spirits with mutual joy. Let genuine love provoke in us words of blessing and inform our intercessions. Amen."*

Common Prayer—A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals

Nursery:

This week: Jennifer Gingerich, Jenn Paradis

Next Week: Carolyn Yoder, Luke Sommer

Greeters Next Week: Charlie Gingerich,
Florence Regier, Urszula Balenkowski

Last Sunday:

Attendance: 157

Offering: \$2945

Book sales: \$192

Church Staff:

Bill Blank, Interim Lead Pastor: zionpastor.bb@canby.com

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Pastoral Leadership Team: Andy Coulombe, Karen Tro, Stan Oyer

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