

# 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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March 8, 2020

## Second Sunday of



Prelude  
Gathering and Announcements  
Call to Worship  
Prayer  
Singing

*HWB 26 Holy Spirit, come with power*  
*HWB 544 When we walk with the Lord*  
*HWB 517 Open my eyes, that I may see*

Offering  
Children's Story  
Scripture Reading: John 15:1-8  
Message: "Staying Connected"  
Response Song

*HWB 373 Thou true Vine, that heals*

Commissioning of Interim Pastor Bill Blank  
Pastoral Prayer  
Sending Song  
Benediction

Worship Leader: Lynn Miller  
Song Leader: Brandon Chupp  
Children's Story: Vonnice Oyer  
Prelude/Offertory: Lois Yoder

### **This Morning:**

9:00am Coffee Time  
9:30am Sunday School for All Ages  
9:45am Prayer Team meets (upstairs classroom)  
10:45am Worship Service  
Noon Fundraiser Meal

### **This Afternoon/Evening**

5-6:30pm MYF/Jr. Hi Trivia Night  
6:00pm Popcorn and Prayer

### **This Week:**

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study meets in Library  
Thursday 9:00-2:00 Quilting

### **Worship Schedule:**

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

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## **Fundraiser Meal supporting Vida Feliz Senior Center TODAY at noon**

Our friends at La Iglesia Roca de Salvacion are preparing enchiladas with rice and beans. Everyone is welcome!

## **Popcorn and Prayer**

### **Tonight in the Fellowship Hall, 6:00pm**

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!

**Tuesday Bible Study**—We have finished our study of Acts, looking ahead to Romans. Acts closes in Rome, so perhaps it is natural to see what we can learn about this church and Paul's message to them. Anyone is welcome to join the table in the library on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am. Contact Pat Hershberger if you have any questions.

**Quilting**—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. Training will be given if needed. This project will take us four to six months to finish.

**Zion's subscription to *The Mennonite*** is coming due at the end of the month. The church budget covers a group subscription rate for those who wish to receive the magazine. If you are currently receiving the *The Mennonite* and wish to continue doing so, your subscription will automatically be renewed. If you have not been receiving the magazine but would like to start a subscription, please reply to Jodi in the Church Office by March 13.



**“Things Will Get Better – Just Hold On”** You appreciate your friends’ concern. But until things do get better, you need extra support. A Stephen Minister would like to provide that caring concern by being there to listen. Talk to Pastor Jana, about Stephen Ministry.

### **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>

**West Coast MCC Bike Ride 2020:** Celebrate the Centennial of MCC by riding your bike in the beautiful Willamette Valley! The MCC fundraising bike trip will take place August 9<sup>th</sup> - August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The location and home base has changed and will now be held at Mennonite Village in Albany, Oregon.

See [www.oregonfestivalforworldrelief.com/bike-2020](http://www.oregonfestivalforworldrelief.com/bike-2020). for more details or to register. Talk to Clark Yoder if you have any question!



## **LENTEN CALENDAR**

### **“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 15: 1-17, Remaining in the vine

**Third Sunday of Lent: March 15—Kim Arredondo**

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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent: March 22—Jana Gingerich**

John 13:1-17 Washing the disciples feet

**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

**Building Bridges—Neighbor to Neighbor  
An Interfaith Conference About Immigration  
April 25 and 25 at Albany Mennonite Church**

Come participate in engaging presentations and learn what others are doing in their congregations and organizations to support and welcome immigrants. Hear their stories and share your own, as well as participate in and share artwork poetry and music related to the theme. Presentations include “Sanctuary and Support”, “Voices from the Border”, and “Dreamers”.

Information is posted on the bulletin board. If you have interest in attending, contact the Church Office for more information and registration materials.

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**Oregon Women’s Retreat at Drift Creek Camp**

Does your practice of carving out time for rest need some work? Are you a busy professional who can’t seem to slow down or a mom whose to-do list never seems to dwindle? Consider participating in the April 17-19 Women’s Retreat at Drift Creek Camp. Camp staff and volunteers will do the work so you don’t have to! Come, relax, and learn about carving out intentional moments for Sabbath with speaker Roberta Jantzi Egli, Executive Director of Messy Church USA. Guests will plan their own time. Participants are invited to enjoy forest walks in solitude or with friends; practice yoga, get creative in the craft room; read or knit by the fire. Cultivate community with old friends & new while enjoying delicious meals and a bit of pampering at DCC. The book discussion “Sabbath Keeping: Finding Freedom in the Rhythms of Rest” by Lynne M. Baab.

Register <https://driftcreek.org/programs/womens-retreat/>

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**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.

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**Please keep in your prayers:**

- Zion's Leadership Table group that meets this week as they seek God's guidance and direction for the ministries of Zion.
- Our Sunday school teachers, serving our children, youth and adults. May God provide meaningful discussions through their lesson preparations.
- Our new Interim Pastor, Bill Blank, as he settles into his ministry with us. May God give him spiritual guidance, discernment, and encouragement as he builds relationships and serves Zion.

**A prayer to carry though the week:** *"Mighty God, speak to us through your Word today, that we may hear you calling us out of the wilderness places in our lives and into new places you have promised to show us. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen."* written by Amy Loving, and posted on The Worship Closet.

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**Nursery:**

This week: Carolyn Yoder, Luke Sommer

Next Week: Mary Masingila, Rachel Kropf

**Greeters Next Week:** Florence Regier,  
Sheila Kauffman, Dorothy Brenneman

**Last Sunday:**

Attendance: 132

Offering: \$6321

**Church Staff:**

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