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.

April 19, 2020

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See insert for more information

Prelude Welcome and Prayer—Jana Call to Worship – Philippians 2:1-11 Singing—led by Brandon Chupp HWB 366 - God of grace and God of glory HWB 285 - All hail the power of Jesus' name Got a reason for livin' again Children's Story—Gina Hansen Message: "A Joy Perspective in Prayer" Philippians 1:1-11 **Response Song** Seek ve first the kingdom of God Sharing and Prayer Sending Song Now go in peace Benediction **Breakout Rooms**

"Breakout Rooms" this morning:

This week, we would like to try the Zoom's "Breakout Rooms" feature to have some time to connect with others. Directly after the service is over, we will have a few minutes of open conversation. Then, we will let anyone leave the meeting who doesn't want to participate in the sharing time. We will break the remaining people into small groups to have more intimate conversation. We propose two questions:

What was one positive from your week? What was one challenge you faced this week? Hope you stick around! This Morning:

Worship Service

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This Afternoon/Evening

No Activities

This Week:

No Activities

Worship Schedule:

10:00am

April 26: Philippians 1:1-26, Bill will be peaching May 3: John 13:1-19, Jana will be preaching

"Virtual Footwashing?"

During this time of being unable to physically meet together, we are looking for creative ways to move forward together in our interim process. A survey has been created to help us continue with the interim work. Your responses to the survey will be helpful for Pastor Bill to hear from each person, and he will be the only one seeing the completed surveys. You will receive an email this week with a link to SurveyMonkey, an online tool we are using for the survey. Please take a few moments to follow the link and complete the survey. We ask that each person fill out a survey, and that all ages are encouraged to complete their own survey. If you do not have access to email, or would prefer to have a hard copy of the survey, please contact the church office and we can send you a copy via the postal service.

Primary Sunday School Children and Teachers: There will be a time after the service today for you to stay on the Zoom chat and see and talk to each other. We encourage you to take a few minutes to wave and say Hi. The more who join, the more fun it will be! Please make sure your video and audio are enabled.

Tithes and Offering— If you desire to continue offerings during this time when Church is not regularly meeting for Sunday services, you can mail checks to the Church Office. The address is 6124 S. Whiskey Hill Rd, Hubbard, OR 97032.

Upcoming Worship Schedule:

We are beginning a study of the book of Philippians entitled "A Joy Perspective". The apostle Paul uses these two words, "Grace and Peace", in his greetings to all the churches to whom he wrote: Grace and Peace are like packages or treasures of God's daily presence in our lives. We possess these treasures because Christ lives in us. Happiness cannot depend on circumstances. Paul's letters were written to strengthen believers — to show them that true joy comes from Jesus alone. We will be using Philippians 2:1-11 as our theme verses for this study:

Imitating Christ's Humility

2 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Please keep in your prayers:

- Lloyd and Shirley Martin and their family. Lloyd's brother and sister-in-law both passed away within this week.
- Doug Berkey as he heals from surgery to remove a cancerous skin growth, and Ken Beachy continuing to recover from back surgery.
- Paul Davidhizar, Maynard Nofziger, Margaret Shetler, Jake and Marilyn VanPelt, and others with concerning health issues, as well as others in our congregation who are finding being isolated or alone especially difficult.
- Parents, students, and teachers who are navigating new distance learning practices. May they experience grace and patience as they find new ways of connection, support, and encouragement from each other.

A prayer to carry though the week: "Ask, and it will be given you; search and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened....in everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets" Matthew 7:7-8, 12

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