## 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.

#### June 14, 2020

Prelude
Greeting and Call to Worship—Frank Howard
Songs— Seth Gingerich
Children's Story
Celebrating our High School Graduate Brady Hansen
Song: The Lord Lift You Up (recorded from May 31, 2015)
Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:10-23— Frank Howard
Message—"Practicing Joy"
Prayer and Praise—Bill
Benediction

We are concluding this week our 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.

This Morning:

10:00am Worship Service via Zoom

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This Afternoon/Evening

No Activities

This Week:

Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study via Zoom

led by Pat Hershberger

**Worship Schedule:** 

June 21: Jana will be preaching June 28: Bill will be preaching

Pastor Bill will be on vacation this week and will return to the office on Tuesday, June 23.



Sunday, June 21 is Father's Day. We want to celebrate with **Donuts for Dads!** Please stop by Zion's parking lot between 8:30—9:30am and pick up enough donuts for your family, and then join us for our Zoom worship at 10:00am.

# Zion Leadership Table has rescheduled the April business meeting to Sunday, June 28 at approximately 11:00am via Zoom

The meeting will immediately follow the worship service. Everyone is encouraged to stay connected and attend. Breakout Rooms that day will happen prior to the service. If you would like to participate in a breakout room, please be connected by 9:30am. Agenda items include

- Budget Update
- Pastoral Search Committee Budget Item
- Pastoral Search Committee Update
- Congregational Survey and Next Steps
- How do we re-open safely? Discussion
- Affirmation ballot

#### **Mennonite Central Committee Update**

Excerpts from The Mennonite:

MCC U.S. and Canada are making a 25% reduction in core budget for international programs, an approximate \$6 million cut. Programming will end in China, Vietnam, South Africa, and two southern African nations, along with significant changes in other regions. The cancellations of relief sales and the temporary closure of thrift shops were the primary reasons for reduction in revenues. Please pray for MCC, for the people they serve, and for the future of this work. As you are able, donations are appreciated. Checks can be mailed to:

MCC P.O. Box 500 Akron PA 17501-0500

Donations may also be made online at: <a href="https://donate.mcc.org">https://donate.mcc.org</a>

**From PNMHS**: The Ivan and Pearl Kropf Heritage Center is open again with guidelines posted on <a href="www.pnmhs.org">www.pnmhs.org</a> and the PNMHS Facebook page. The Center closed with the Governor's direction three months ago.



Brady Hansen from North Marion High School Paul Masingila from 8th grade at 91 School

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11



The Tuesday morning Bible Study is now meeting via Zoom on Tuesdays at 10AM. If you would like to join, please contact Pat Hershberger. wphershberger@gmail.com

Zion's prayer group meets via Zoom on Sundays. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Sheryl Mast at 503-319-6872 or sherylmast18@gmail.com

Be sure to keep checking your email, especially on Tuesdays and Thursdays for a special message, a scripture passage, a short devotional, or other words of encouragement and support. If you have any encouraging thoughts or spiritual insights you would like to share with the congregation during this time, please email Bill or Jana and they will incorporate your message into these weekly emails.

Thank you to our Zion church family for your prayers, cards, visits, flowers, and phone calls. Jim treasured his visits to Zion, especially these last few years. Your emotional and financial support was appreciated. Thank you for all your sympathy and caring and love.

—Nancy Graber and family

## Please keep in your prayers:

The residents and staff at Hope Village and Marquis Center. May God surround them in protection from the threat of Covid19, and may those already infected receive necessary care and restored health. Remember also the families and those close to the residents who have recently passed away from the virus. May they find comfort.

Students, teachers, school staff and families who have finally completed this school year, and our recent graduates, Brady Hansen and Paul Masingila. May they all celebrate what has been accomplished in difficult circumstances.

A prayer to carry though the week: "And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight" Philippians 1:9

### Church Staff:

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