

# 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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August 9, 2020

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Song: *HWB75, Holy, Holy, Holy*  
Lightning of the Mercy Peace and Justice Candle  
Children's Story  
Scripture Reading: James 1:13-27  
Message: "Pure and Faultless Religion"  
Song: *House of Peace*  
Prayer and Praise  
Benediction

Break Out Rooms

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**Sermon Series:** Throughout the next few months we will continue our sermon series "Belief, Behavior and Beyond" based on the Book of James, which is focused on the actions of our faith. James 1:22 states, "Do not merely listen to the word... Do what it says." We are called to live out our faith, even in times of crisis. James covers a lot of topics, including trials, temptations, favoritism, speaking, wisdom, fights, riches, patience, suffering, prayer and more. As we study this book, may God show us new things about belief, behavior and beyond.

9:00-9:45am  
10:00am

**This Morning:**  
Book Study via Zoom  
Worship Service via Zoom  
**This Afternoon/Evening**  
No Activities

Tuesday 10:00am  
Thursday 6:00pm

**This Week:**  
Bible Study via Zoom led by Pat Hershberger  
ZLT Meeting

## **Worship Schedule:**

August 16: Jana will be preaching "Through the Deep Waters:  
John 3:3-5; Isaiah 43:1-7"  
August 23: Terry Rediger, our PNMC District Pastor will be sharing

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Through Christian baptism we become a part of God's covenant people. Following their faith exploration, we will celebrate the baptisms of Brady Hansen, Hunter Hansen, Daphne Kropf and Virginia Broderick at the Molalla River (Canby Grove campus) on Sunday, August 23 at 4:30pm. We regret that due to Covid19 the entire congregation cannot be a part of this special day. Only immediate family will attend with pastors Jana and Bill. We look forward to sharing some of their personal testimonies and photos of their baptisms with the congregation the following Sunday and through our Facebook page.

**Update from the pastoral search committee:** We are continuing to review potential candidates that are sent to us by our conference minister. If someone comes to your mind that you believe would be a good fit for the lead pastor at Zion, please contact them and encourage them to apply. Please pray for us and for God's wisdom as we discern together.  
(Seth Gingerich, Kiara Yoder, Stacey Berkey, Ken Beachy, Wanda Rohrer-Heyerly)

### **Primary Sunday School: God's Story, God's Song**

Dear kids and families of Zion:

We hope you've had time to access the new curriculum. You may have noticed the link to the Facebook group for the curriculum where you can post videos of your family's activities. Let us know how it is working for you and what you like. This week's lesson for Week 10 is "Give Them Land, Amend the Law" from Numbers 27:1-11.

A brief video reading of this week's story is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vHYDfUwOtpc>

This week's song is written by Bryan Moyer Suderman (he visited and led music for us a while back) and sung by Jonathan Reuel who you probably know from the song "Water Fall on Me".

**Again, here is the link to the God's Story, God's Song:** <https://www.godsstorygodssong.com/#/>

Click on the "click here" button to access "This Is the Story"

**You should use the password: meta1234**

~Karen Kropf and Stacy Berkey, co-superintendents

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A Stephen's Minister is there to remind you of God's presence, to walk along with people who are hurting, to listen without judgement, to provide caring skills. Zion's Stephen Ministers meet once a month for continuing education. To find out more about Stephen Ministry, talk to Pastor Jana.

Zion's Prayer Group continues to meet via Zoom on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in joining, or if you have any requests you would like prayer for, please contact Sheryl Mast or Jana.

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### In prayer:

- Pray for a successful surgery on Monday for Gene Gascho to have a kidney stone removed.
- Pray for a smooth adjustment for Leroy Kenagy who moved into Assisted Living at Marquis Hope Village this week. His room is #226.
- Wendell Amstutz's mother, Lois passed away on Tuesday after suffering a stroke. May God bring comfort and peace during this time of loss to Wendell, his siblings and family. Wendell, Karen, Rebecca, Mattias and Marcos will be traveling back to Bolivia on August 10.
- Pray for families, parents and children as the days of quarantine linger on. May God give us extra doses of patience, grace, laughter and creativity.
- May God bless our imperfect digital efforts as we do virtual church services on Sundays. May we see and acknowledge the Kingdom of Jesus through each other.
- Remember the many Mennonite missionaries serving throughout the world. Current prayer requests and more information about our faith partners can be found at <https://www.mennonitemission.net/>

**To carry you through the week:** 1 Peter 1:3-4: *Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you.*

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