# 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.

# October 18, 2020

This morning, we welcome Ray Keen, Executive Director of The Canby Center. The Canby Center programs are growing through expanding partnerships with local churches, service clubs, donors, and the Canby School District. The focus of TCC's vision is to provide poverty-alleviating, dignity-strengthening programs for youth and families.

Prelude Welcome and Announcements Call to Worship *HWB 46 I Sing the Mighty Power of God* Lighting of the Mercy Peace Justice candle Children's Story – Chris Keady Scripture reading: Acts 1:6-8 Message: "Working and Waiting for the Kingdom" Ray Keen *Song: HWB 545 Be Thou My Vision* Prayer and Praise Benediction

Sharing with each other and Break Out Rooms

# This Morning:10:00amWorship Service via Zoom<br/>This Afternoon/Evening:1:00-3:00pmInformation Session (outdoors)<br/>This Week:Tuesday 10:00am<br/>Thursday 4:00pmBible Study via Zoom led by Pat Hershberger<br/>PLT Meeting

## Worship Schedule:

October 25:	Bill will be preaching.	Introduction t	o the Book of
	Isaiah. Is:6		
November 1	: Bill will be preaching	Isaiah "Hope"	Chapters 25-27
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**Interim Process Update:** In July, the Zion congregation received a summary report regarding the congregational survey that was completed in May. The gathering of information continued with seven small group sessions that took place in September.

This afternoon, there will be an information and equipping session to be held at the church from 1:00 – 3:00 PM. Bill will be presenting a report regarding the small groups and begin the education task with a short session on "Communication in Times of Disagreement."

As Pastors at Zion we are grateful for the congregation and feel appreciated. We feel even more gratitude during this month of pastor appreciation and the many gifts, cards and expressions given to us that are encouraging. Thank you. We are both glad to be able to serve in ministry in this place.

Blessings to you, Bill and Jana.

# Semi-annual Member's Meeting

Sunday, October 25 on Zoom, following the worship service

\*Proposed Affirmation Ballot\*

# Elders:

Karen Tro, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Stan Oyer, 3 year term, expiring Dec. 2023

<u>Worship Commission:</u> Gina Hansen, 1 year term, expiring Dec. 2021 \_\_\_\_\_, 1 year term, expiring Dec. 2021

Christian Education Commission Chairperson: Vonnie Oyer, 3 year term, expiring Dec. 2023

<u>Church Treasurer:</u> Jeremy Gingerich, 3 year term, expiring Dec. 2023

# Trustees:

Doug Berkey, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Scott Lapp, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Gerald Mast, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022

<u>Drift Creek Camp Representative:</u> Kelsey Sommer, 1 year term, expiring Dec. 2021 Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Thank you for your donations to CENTRO VIDA FELIZ during this year of 2020. We send our sincere gratitude to each one of you, for your kindness and for connecting with us through your prayers and faith in God.

We want to share that with His guidance through this years pandemic challenge, we are finding new ways to support the elderly in our community with wholistic outreach based on Vida Feliz's founding principles: solidarity with those who suffer, Christian charity and service, respect for each other and mutual cooperation. We renew our commitment to work for a better world with a better quality of life for each of our elderly and to continue transmitting faith and hope for eternal life.

Thanks again to each one of you and to God for bringing us together to give Happy Life to the grandpas and grandmas of the Vida Feliz association.

> Sulma Becerra, Administrator Juan Antonio Duran, President Wendell Amstutz, Coordinator

Thanks be to God! When the Oregon Mennonite Festival of World Relief board members agreed on a fundraising goal that was the same as last year's goal, we weren't sure what to expect. But the generosity that came from the supporters of the work of MCC was overwhelming. The goal was \$100,000. As of this past Wednesday, nearly \$122,000 had been donated.

Last Sunday morning at Zion, \$8,726 was given to MCC during the cinnamon roll event. That doesn't include the contributions to the school kits project and the \$290.65 that came in for "My Coins Count".

Thank you, Zion, for your incredible generosity.

### In Prayer:

We are grateful for the work of The Canby Center, Ray Keen, Executive Director, and the rest of the staff. Remember to pray for this important local ministry as we support them in their mission: "In God's love we renew dignity and inspire learning for youth and families."

Pray for those with financial needs in our communities that they may find a way through the stress of dealing with financial difficulties. Pray that we each could clearly see how to support and care for those in need around us.

Pray for peace in our country and in our world. Much seems to be unsettled and at points of disruption and chaos, may God in wisdom reveal to us peace. May we set our hearts on the Prince of Peace.

Pray for the interim work happening here at Zion. Pray that we could each see what God is desiring and doing in our own hearts and minds. May there be healing where there are hurts and may we move forward into what God has prepared for us.

Pray for those facing health issues. We ask God to bring healing to the physical, emotional, and spiritual pains that people are experiencing.

**A prayer to carry through the week:** *"Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago."* 

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