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 25, 2020

Prelude: Kristin Oakes (pre-recorded) Welcome and Announcements Call to Worship and Prayer HWB #521 Come Thou Fount Song: Come, Now is the Time to Worship Lighting of Mercy Justice Peace Candle Explanation of Children's Sunday School resources: Anna Park Children's Story: Toby Keady Scripture Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 Message "Here I am. Send me?" Song: Together **Prayer and Praise** Benediction

There will be no break-out rooms. The Business Meeting will follow. Everyone is welcome to stay connected.



10:00am 11:00am

This Morning:

Worship Service via Zoom Member's Meeting via Zoom This Afternoon/Evening: No Activities This Week: Tuesday 10:00am Bible Study via Zoom led by Pat Hershberger Tuesday 1:00pm **Stephen Ministers meet**

Worship Schedule:

November 1: Bill will be preaching Isaiah "Hope" Chapters 25-27 November 8: Jana will be preaching Isaiah "Comfort and Grief" Isaiah 40

Update from the pastoral search committee: We are currently in the initial stages of discussion with a pastoral candidate. Please continue to pray for God's leading among potential pastors as well as wisdom and discernment for the search committee. Seth Gingerich, Kiara Yoder, Stacey Berkey, Ken Beachy, Wanda Rohrer-Heverly

On Sunday, October 18, there was an information and equipping session held at the church regarding our interim process. There was a report given regarding the small group sessions that were held, followed by a session by Bill titled "Communication in Times of Disagreement." This meeting was recorded and the link to the recording is available upon request. If you would like the link please contact Jodi at the church office.

A written copy of the report is also available and can be picked up at the church during normal office hours (Tuesday or Friday, 9am-Noon), or if you prefer, can be mailed to you. Just let Jodi know you would like a copy.

Since the subject matter of this meeting and the report are specific to Zion, it is important that we only distribute these items to people who are a part of our congregation. Please do not forward these items to other people. If you know someone who would like the link or the report, please direct them to contact the Church Office.

Hi Sunday School Kids and Parents– Today during the Zoom church service Anna Park (Rachel and Eva's mom) will be demonstrating how to use the website. It's really easy! We hope you will be able to grab a computer and follow along with her. Then try it out on this week's lesson about Jeremiah. When you log in, click "Weekly Sessions" and choose #21.

There's this link to a Ted and Company story told by Jeremiah himself! <u>https://www.tedandcompany.com/videos/jeremiah-video-download/</u>

Here's another quick video from Youtube with kids explaining about Jeremiah <u>https://youtu.be/8IM9hCMkTsw</u>

If you text or call Stacy 503-951-7526 this week with your favorite part about today's lesson, I'll have a special prize for you!

Drift Creek Camp is eager to optimize this time of having an empty lodge to work on facility projects. If you are willing to help, your hands would be greatly appreciated! Jobs vary from cleaning, painting, splitting wood, overhauling bathrooms, replacing window screens, shampooing carpets, cleaning light fixtures, replacing siding damaged by woodpeckers, replacing doors in the lodge and posts on the bridge and more! Contact info@driftcreek.org for more information.

We are open to safely accommodate small groups too!

Mennonite Disaster Service: Weekly volunteer opportunities

Scheduling for volunteers interested in serving for a week at a Mennonite Disaster Service project this winter (January, February, or March) will begin mid-October. Contact Deanna Frey (dfrey@mds.mennonite.net or 800-241-8111) go online to mds.volunteermatrix.com/waitlist to make a request.

Business Meeting Agenda

- Leadership Table Update
- Lead Pastor Search Committee Update
- Commission Reports Facilities and Finance Christian Education Worship Witness and Service
- Congregational Work
- Update from ZLT on Building Use
- Affirmation Ballot

Affirmation Ballot Elders: (choose two) Karen Tro, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Stan Oyer, 3 year term, expiring Dec. 2023 Worship Commission: 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 Church Treasurer: Jeremy Gingerich, 3 year term, expiring Dec. 2023 Trustees: (choose three) Doug Berkey, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Scott Lapp, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Gerald Mast, 2 year term, expiring Dec. 2022 Drift Creek Camp Representative: Kelsey Sommer, 1 year term, expiring Dec. 2021

In Prayer:

Remember the family of Barbara Hooley who passed away Thursday, October 22, after a brief illness. Her cremains will be buried at a later date next to her husband, Ray Hooley, in Zion's cemetery.

Thank you for your prayers for Siaka and Claire Traore', Mennonite Church leaders in Burkina Faso. They have recovered from COVID-19 and are engaging in ministry again. Pray for relief from widespread hunger in the country due to pandemic restrictions.

Pray for our students and families, as they support each other each week, with online learning, and the imperfect digital efforts that exist this school year.

Pray for spiritual growth in our lives, to understand the racial disparities and tensions happening in our country. May our hearts grow in compassion, action and generosity.

A prayer to carry through the week: "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near." Isaiah 55:6

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