

Zion Mennonite Church

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January 17, 2021

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Prayer and Praise

Children's Story—Wanda Rohrer-Heyerly

Lighting of the Mercy Peace and Justice candle

Prayer and Call to Worship—Kara Kropf

Songs: *STJ 3 Jesus Calls us*

STJ 109 There is More Love

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31; Mathew 5:1-3

Message: "How Does a Christian Smell?"—Frank Howard

"Have Ye not known?/Ye shall have song"—Recording by
the Canby High School Choir

Benediction

Our current sermon series is based on Jesus' teaching recorded in the book of Matthew, called The Sermon on the Mount. It is our hope that as we look at these teachings of Jesus we will be encouraged and challenged to be people *growing together as a Christ-centered community, worshipping God, extending our Anabaptist branch into our world, bearing the lasting fruit of discipleship and planting seeds of God's reign through hospitality, service, and reconciliation with God and others.*



8:30 am
8:45 am
10:00 am

Tuesday 10:00 am
6:30pm
Thursday 6:00pm

Worship Schedule:

January 24: Bill – Beatitudes, Matthew 5:6-8

January 31: Jana– Beatitudes, Matthew 5:9-12

This Morning:

Prayer Group meets via Zoom
Adult Sunday School class via Zoom
Worship Service via Zoom

This Week:

Women's Bible Study via Zoom
Worship Commission meeting
PLT meeting

Pastor Search Update:

The Zion Leadership Table has interviewed the candidate being recommended by the search committee. The ZLT approved moving forward with this candidate. Due to the limits of Zoom the ZLT is designing a creative plan to "bring" the candidate to the congregation. Please look for more information about the process in the coming weeks.

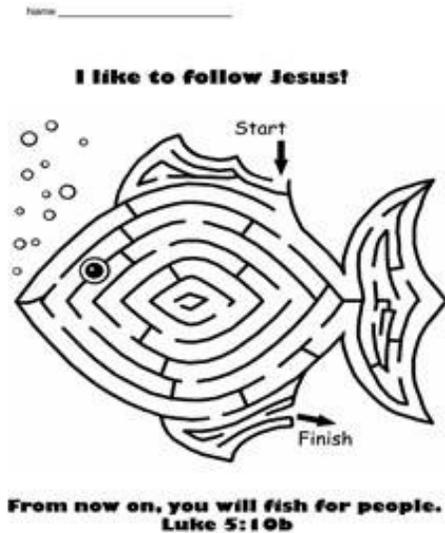
Update from ZLT:

Thursday evening, the Zion Leadership Table met to discern and discuss when and how we may begin gathering again for in-person church services. Given the current Covid case numbers and the increasing spread in our community, ZLT believes it wise and caring to continue with Zoom worship services.

As ZLT discerns a time and practice for safely implementing in-person gatherings, your input and insight is valued and appreciated. An email will be sent this week with a short survey seeking your feedback. There will also be a time set for a Zoom meeting which you can join in the discussion. Your prayerful reflection and response on this matter is so appreciated. Working together, we desire to fulfill Zion's mission even during this challenging time.

God's Story God's Song, Week 36:

godsstorygodssong.com Password: Meta1234



If you finish the maze and send a picture of it to me I'll send you a prize!
berkeystacy@gmail.com
or 503-951-7526.

—Stacy

<https://youtu.be/B5qFj04eTjI>
watch this week's Bible story

Jesus had a lot of followers and chose 12 to be his disciples. It's interesting that Jesus chose all kinds of people to be in this group. I was thinking of how many songs I know about this Bible story. I can remember the disciples' names only because I learned a song when I was a kid like you in Zion's Sunday School! Do you know any songs about this story? Did you know that Jesus wants us all to be His followers and to be "Fishers of men"? Talk to your parents about what it means to follow Jesus. Have a wonderful week and remember how much Jesus loves each one of you!

—Love, Stacy and Karen

Zion Friends,

There is a brother who attends Iglesia Roca de Salvacion. He is in the hospital and receiving radiation, I believe for skin cancer. The sisters at church will be making tamales to raise money to help cover his medical expenses. There will be pork with green sauce or chicken with red sauce. The price is \$20/dozen. They would like the final count by Wednesday, January 20. I will have more information about picking them up later.

You can text or email me to place your order or if you would just like to donate. If you email please put "Tamales" in the subject line.

masingila@msn.com

503-989-1498

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Mary Masingila

Drift Creek Camp:

Thank you to all who stopped by the Church last Sunday to support the drive-through soup fundraiser for Drift Creek Camp. Your donations totaled \$7,525! We miss Camp and look forward to the day when families, staff, and campers can return to DCC. Thank you also to Luanne Berkey and Sheryl Mast for preparing the wonderful food and for their support to DCC in this way.



Stephen Ministry motto is: *“Christ caring for people through people”* – At Zion we have compassionate individuals who are trained to help us when we encounter loss, grief, relationship challenges, and a myriad of things that can throw our lives into a tailspin. Stephen Ministers simply provide love, care, and support when we need it most. They are a caring individual who can help us navigate our present situation. We all need help from time to time and your request for a Stephen

Minister will be confidential. Feel free to contact, me, Pastor Jana, at 503-577-9789 or zionpastor_jg@canby.com



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.

In Prayer:

Pray for the pastor search process and the candidate that is currently being considered.

Please pray for the Masingila family. Steve’s brother, Adamson, is in renal failure and will be put on hospice care this week. Pray that God’s peace and presence will surround him and his wife, Joanna. May Steve and family also be reminded and reassured of God’s love during this difficult time.

We recognize our lack of control over the Covid virus. God, you are the only true source of stability in a world that is constantly changing. Comfort us with a peace that surpasses anything we could understand.

Due to current Covid-19 restrictions and mandates, all Church facilities remain closed. Staff continues to work from home. Please contact them by phone or email.

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