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.

January 31, 2021

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements—Jana Lighting of the Mercy, Peace and Justice Candle *HWB#26 Holy Spirit Come with Power* Call to Worship: Psalm 100 Children's Story—Vonnie Oyer Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:31-40 Message: "We Are All Called To Care"—Jana *STJ# 52 Jesus Help us Live in Peace* Pastoral Prayer Benediction

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10:00 am

Tuesday 10:00 am

8:30 am

Prayer Group meets via Zoom Worship Service via Zoom **This Week:** Women's Bible Study via Zoom

This Morning:

Worship Schedule: Sermon on the Mount Series

February 7: Bill will be preaching. Salt and Light Matthew 5:13-16 February 14: Bill will be preaching. The Law Matthew 5:17-20

Annual Budget Meeting Sunday, February 14 at 11:00am following the Zoom worship service A copy of the 2020 Budget Report and proposed 2021 Budget will be sent via email for review prior to the meeting.

I get by with a little help from my friends!



We all need a concerned caring friend at difficult time in our lives. A Stephen Minster can listen and care for you or someone you know who is going thru a tough time. Our congregation has 5 trained Stephen

Ministers/lay people who offer a ministry of caring for those in need. They are Luanne Berkey, Chris Keady, Carolyn Yoder, Sheryl Mast and Karen Kropf.

Contact Pastor Jana for more information.

The New VOICES TOGETHER hymnals have arrived! We are excited for the day when we can meet again to sing familiar songs and learn new songs! We invite all <u>song leaders</u> to pick up a new hymnal and get acquainted with it. Call the church office to coordinate a time.

God's Story God's Song, Week 32:

godsstorygodssong.com Password: Meta1234



You can watch this video: https://youtu.be/22SMUUMsx0o

We're going to flip back to lesson 32. Read the story at Matthew 2:1-12. The Magi (wise men) were men who studied the stars. Ordinary people thought they were unusual – maybe a little crazy even! We always think of the wise men as going to the stable to visit Jesus. But the Bible doesn't say

this. What does the Bible say about them? – have your parents help you figure this out. They probably travelled from Persia. Look at a map to see how far away this is from where Jesus probably was by the time they arrived. How long do you think it might have taken them to travel if they were on camels? This is interesting to think about especially because they were carrying expensive gifts. How did they get the gifts to Jesus safely? We all know what gold is. But what about frankincense and myrrh? See if you can figure out what these things were used for and why they were of such value.

How do you think the gifts would have been carried? In pots or a leather pouch? Remember they didn't have Ziploc baggies or glass jars with lids in those days! This is a great story because it tells us that Jesus wasn't just to be King of the Jewish people – he came for EVERYONE – YOU and even me! As you think on all these things this week, remember how much you are loved by God and your Zion Mennonite family!

-Love, Stacy and Karen



Children's Sunday School Drive-up Event Sunday, February 7 from 1-2pm



We will have a special Sunday School curriculum pick-up at Zion. There will be packets for all Sunday School aged kids, including Jr. Hi and MYF. Please plan to drive-in and say Hi and pick up your Valentine-themed packet.

In addition, from 1:15—1:45pm, Junior High kids are invited to hang out with Anna Park on the covered patio for a distanced Hot Cocoa Party.



If anyone has items for the Valentine Care Packages for college students, you are welcome to drop them off during this time.

Valentine Care Packages: We want to carry on our tradition of sending care packages to college students. Please consider donating small treats (homemade or purchased sweets, snacks, drink mixes, tea), cards (homemade by kids or adults are great!), personalized messages, trinkets, gift cards, or other items that will be gathered into boxes and sent or delivered to the students by Valentine's Day.

You can drop off your donations at the church, (typically Tuesdays and Fridays, 9-noon someone is in the office) or at the Oakes or Oyer homes by "appointment." You may also donate cash to use toward purchase of items.



These are the eleven students we will send boxes to: Drew Berkey, Emma and Harrison Gingerich, Brady Hansen, Elizabeth Masingila, Camryn, Jayce, and Jaclyn Roth, Tristan Oakes, Jared Oyer, and Kenny Tro.

Kristin can be reached at oakeskr@gmail.com or text/call 503-807-9067. Boxes will likely be shipped on 2/9 or 2/10. *Please deliver all items by Sunday, February 7 if possible*

The Pacific Northwest Historical Society Annual Meeting will be held online Saturday, February 20 at 1:30pm. Presentation by Sarah Augustine of Yakima, WA and Jonathon Neufeldt, from Seattle Mennonite. Who were the indigenous people here before settlers and Mennonites came to this land? What influenced our decisions in how and where we live? Please respond to Jerry Barkman at treasurer-pnmhs@canby.com to participate. The luncheon and program usually provide operating funds. Please consider PNMHS in your giving.

Drift Creek Camp has had a lot of down trees on the road and needed clean up from the recent storms. If you would like to help get firewood for the camp, move brush, or other types of clean up, please email Tony Kauffman at <u>info@driftcreek.org</u> to schedule.

Thank you for your continued love, generosity and support. Your generous donation enables us to continue to support our community...making sure people are safe, valued, and empowered. Together we are stronger! Thank you so much. —Bridging Cultures Board

We need to find a home for a piano. Contact Warde Hershberger to get more information. 503-510-8276

In Prayer:

Pray for wisdom and discernment in the ongoing conversations with a pastoral candidate.

May God grant us wisdom and strength to meet day-to-day living with grace, courage, joy and eternal hope. Pray for comfort and healing for persons who are experiencing physical, emotional, or relational challenges.

May students, teachers, parents and families find strength and encouragement as they continue to work towards being emotionally, mentally, and physically safe.

Our thoughts and prayers go with our Marquis residents (Paul Davidhizar, Leroy Kenagy, Claudia Lapp, and Luella Hostetler) and staff during this difficult time with COVID-19. Phone calls and notes of encouragement are appreciated.

Praise God for DOOR's (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection) creativity in finding ways to adapt their existing programs to meet the COVID-19 context and for UpNext, a new year-long leadership and mentoring program for women of color. Pray for each DOOR staff person and participant in 2021, as they lead others "to see the face of God in the city."

-Mennonite Mission Network

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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