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.

March 14, 2021

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements— Karen Tro
Call to Worship

HWB 37 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
HWB 336 When Peace Like A River
Lighting of the Mercy Peace Justice Candle
Children's Story—Brie Ediger
Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:21-26
Message: "Anger is one 'D' from Danger"—Bill Blank
HWB 128 Create in Me a Clean Heart
Prayer and Praise
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, worshiping 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.



This Morning:

8:30 am	Prayer Group meets via Zoom
8:45 am	Adult Sunday School Class via Zoom

10:00 am Worship Service via Zoom

https://zionmennoniteoregon.org/

11:00am Congregational Meeting

This Afternoon:
No Activities
This Week:

Tuesday 10:00 am Women's Bible Study via Zoom

6:00pm Worship Commission Meeting
Thursday 1:00pm Kerygmatic Team Meeting

Worship Schedule: Sermon on the Mount Series

March 21: Frank Howard will be preaching. Matthew 5:38-48

March 28: Palm Sunday. Jana will be preaching

Steve Bomar has been affirmed with a member affirmation of 92.7% and an even higher number for non-members (100%) which resulted in a total percentage of 93.5%. A total of 93 people responded. We have asked Steve and his family to prayerfully consider accepting our invitation for Steve to be the lead pastor at Zion Mennonite.

—Zion Leadership Table

Congregational Zoom Meeting **Sunday, March 14, 11:00am**

Thank you to those who participated in the Zoom meeting on February 4 about opening the church for small Sunday morning in-person gatherings. The consensus was that it was good conversation and it would be beneficial to have another opportunity to listen to each other and to share thoughts and ideas. If you were unable to attend the prior meeting, or if you would like to be a part of this second conversation, please join the discussion. For your information, a list of Documented Interests from the last meeting were sent by email.

Zion's group subscription to *Anabaptist World* (formerly The Mennonite) is coming due. If you currently receive a subscription, it will renew. If you would like to join the church's subscription, or if you prefer to cancel, please contact Jodi in the Church Office by Monday, March 15.

The new date for the Pacific Northwest Historical Society's annual meeting and fundraiser is Saturday, March 20, at 1:30pm via Zoom. A Zoom link and other details can be found on the PNMHS website www.pnmhs.org. The meeting's theme remains "The Path to Acknowledgement: Mennonite Settlement in the Pacific Northwest" with presenters Sarah Augustine of Yakima, WA and Jonathan Neufeld, from Seattle Mennonite sharing about the indigenous peoples who lived on the land before Mennonites arrived. We hope you can join us!

Thank you for your generous support of Vida Feliz Senior Center! Donations, including the soup lunch fundraiser on February 28th, total \$6910. If you would still like to donate, checks may be made payable to ZMC, with "El Torno" in the memo line.

Find Mennonite Church USA's **Lent at Home 2021** resource for home-based guided daily and weekly worship — for all ages — here: <u>mennoniteusa.org/lentathome</u>

Learn, Pray, Join

This month, Mennonite Church USA invites you to engage with the "Learn, Pray, Join: Cost of War" initiative to promote peacemaking and anti-militarism. Learn more: https://www.mennoniteusa.org/cost-of-war

Are you ready for Paradise? The MDS Project in Paradise, California is opening. Leadership and staff are in place for the opening, but volunteers are needed for the remainder of the project. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Deanna Frey at 800-241-8111 or email dfrey@mds.mennonite.net. If you are a seasoned volunteer, log onto the Volunteer Calendar at https://www.mds.mennonite.net and choose the dates when you are available. Traditional volunteer housing will be in apartments that have been leased from a former retirement center, plus there will be a kitchen and meeting area.

The Camp Fire started on November 8, 2018 due to a faulty electrical line and was made worse by a drought in the area. By the time it was contained on November 25, 2018, it had become the deadliest and most destructive wildfire in California history. The total damage from the fire was estimated at \$16.5 billion, with one quarter of the damage uninsured. Paradise is located about 85 miles north of Sacramento, CA. Over 95% of structures in the town of Paradise were destroyed by the Camp Fire.

Contact Clyde Hockman if you would like more information about this MDS project.

Hey Kids – Here's your Sunday School Lesson for March 14

God's Story God's Song, Week 42

godsstorygodssong.com Password: Meta1234

The YouTube video for this week needs M&M's candy! Ask your parents for a few and then watch this: https://youtu.be/0g0_U5jQ2kE



Have you ever felt like Mary? or Martha? Sometimes we might feel like we need to do things to prepare to spend time with Jesus – do we need to be in a special place like the church building? If we can spend time with Jesus at home, do we have to do it only when we are lying in bed at night? Or maybe be at the dinner table, after everyone is sitting down and quiet? How could we pray when we are

driving – don't we have to have our eyes closed? This week, "What Mary's Choosing" talks about that.

Read Luke 10:38-42. What does Jesus say is most important? Do you think he is telling us to just BE? Just BE with HIM! I think the writer of Psalm 27:4 understood this when he said "One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord

Wyatt and Owen Gingerich were inspired to see their friend, Felix, say his memory verse last week so they did too! These three boys are some of our youngest in Sunday School. We hope more might give it a try! Parents, please send us a video!

In Prayer:

Pray for Steve Bomar and family as they are discerning the call to be our lead pastor.

Pray for Marlene Harris as she prepares to have surgery on her neck on March 22. May her pain be eliminated and her healing and recovery be complete.

Holy and loving God, anger is often our weak spot. It fuels our resentments. It prevents us from letting go. It feeds our self-righteousness. We cling to anger as if it could save us, hoping it will protect us from pain and loss. But, it is all folly. Salvation is in trusting you to make all things right. Hope is found in keeping our eyes on you and on what you have done for us, rather than on others and how they have let us down. Forgive our short-sighted and self-inflicted foolishness, Lord. Restore us in love and grace to trust you in all things.

From HomileticsOnline

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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