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 7, 2021

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

> 10,000 Reasons, Bless the Lord HWB 285 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Call to Worship

Introducing the Bomar family: Steve, Anne, Luke and Dylan Pastoral prayer with lighting of Mercy, Peace and Justice Candle

Scripture Reading: Genesis 12:1-5a Children's Story Bible memory video

Scripture Reading: Philippians 3:12-16 Message: "Unpacking the 'And'"—Steve Bomar *HWB 545 Be Thou My Vision* Benediction

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/
This Afternoon:	
12:00-1:30	Drive Thru Meet and Greet
	This Week:
Tuesday 10:00 am	Women's Bible Study via Zoom

Worship Schedule: Sermon on the Mount Series

March 14: Bill will be preaching. Matthew 5:21-26 March 21: Frank Howard will be preaching. Matthew 5:38-48

Sunday, March 7:

The Pastor Search Committee and Zion Leadership Table are enthusiastically recommending Steve Bomar to be lead pastor. An introduction letter and video was emailed on Friday.

You are invited to a drive-thru to meet Steve and his family. Please stay in your car and wear a mask.

12:00-12:45pm—Households with last names A—L

12:45-1:30pm—Households with last names M—Z Be thinking about these questions to which you can share your response with Steve:

-What is a favorite family activity or meal you like to share?

-Who at Zion has helped you to grow in your own faith?

Leadership would like to know if you have received enough information to decide about affirming the recommendation by the Search Committee and ZLT to have Steve be lead pastor at Zion. If you need more information please send your questions or comments to zionmc@canby.com no later 1:30pm Sunday and leadership will respond by Sunday night.

Next week we will have an affirmation decision. Information and instructions about how to do that will be sent to you by email. Please pray for Steve, his family, and Zion as we listen to God's intentions for us.

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

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.

Thank you so much for all your prayers, love, and support as we welcomed Charles into our lives. The meal train was outstanding and the gift from Zion is beautiful. We are so thankful for each one of you!

-Oliver, Rachel, William, and Charles Kropf

I would like to thank everyone at Zion for contributing to the Valentine's Care package I received. It was a lot of fun to go to open the package up and see what my church family sent me. It means so much to me to have all of your support even when I'm on the other side of the country studying college. The contents of the package will help me finish the last semester of my college education strong! —Jared Oyer

Thank you for the Valentine package and all of the treats, gift cards, and notes. I appreciate my church supporting me. —Brady Hansen

Just wanted to say thank you for the Valentine's Day gift box. It's always nice to know I'm thought of and loved from my church family! Hope everyone is staying safe and healthy. —Drew Berkey

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: <u>https://</u> <u>www.mennoniteusa.org/cost-of-war</u>

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 7

God's Story God's Song, Week 41

godsstorygodssong.com Password: Meta1234

Did last week's lesson help you think about how much Jesus loves you? This week's lesson tells us to read Luke 10:24-37 and Matthew 22:36-40. A man is asking Jesus some questions about what's most important. Instead of a straight up answer, Jesus tells a story. It seems like he did this a lot. He wants people to really think about the big picture. When Jesus tells this story, I feel like he might be telling us how to live. How to love. What do you think?

Watch this fun video today and think about things you could do to show love. <u>https://youtu.be/osfQg4yKtq8</u>

-Love, Stacy and Karen

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 <u>www.pnmhs.org</u>. 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!

In Prayer:

May God's spirit and presence be with us and Steve Bomar on Sunday, guiding us as we all work together to discern His will for Zion.

Pray for safety, health and smooth transitions for students, parents, teachers and staff, as some schools re-open.

Remember our friends at Marquis Hope Village— Paul, Leroy, Luella, Claudia. May we be creative to connect and reach out prayerfully to the residents, caregivers, and staff.

Pray for continued strength, health and wellbeing for Shirley Gingerich (who is now at home), Doug Gingerich, Carolyn Neuschwander, and others whose health has recently brought challenges.

Our lives are cluttered, O Christ, by too many things and too much to do. We are driven by the need to succeed and distracted by our service. We have often lost our way. Forgive us. Let us, like Mary, find the one thing that is needed and sit at your feet. Amen.

Voices Together hymnal, #899

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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