

# 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.

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May 2, 2021

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements—Jana Gingerich  
Call to Worship—Lynn Miller  
    *I Will Enter His Gates*  
    *STJ 3 Jesus Calls Us*  
Children's Story—Anna Park  
Scripture Reading: Matthew 7:1-6  
Message: "Be Careful How You Measure"—Bill Blank  
    *STJ 54 Longing for Light*  
Pastoral Prayer  
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.*



8:45 am  
10:00 am

**This Morning:**  
Adult Sunday School Class via Zoom  
Worship Service— Outdoor In person  
or on Zoom <https://zionmennoniteoregon.org/>

**This Afternoon:**

No Activities

**This Week:**

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

**Worship Schedule: Sermon on the Mount Series**

May 9: Bill will be preaching. Matthew 7:7-23

May 16: Bill will be preaching. Matthew 7:24-29



*Outdoor Worship Service*

We plan to continue having our Sunday morning services outside at 10AM. The service will also be on Zoom at the same time. No reservations are necessary.

Please bring your own chair and wear a mask. There is no tent or cover, so plan accordingly for the weather.

We are anticipating the arrival of Steve Bomar as our lead Pastor starting June 1. Please remember to pray for Steve, his wife Anne, and their boys, Luke and Dillon, as they prepare to join our congregation.

As we prepare to receive Steve and his family we also will be saying goodbye to Bill as our interim Pastor. Pray for Bill and Julie as they transition away from Zion. Bill's last Sunday will be May 16.

KIDS:

Have you heard of Saul? Read about him in your Bible in Acts 9, and find this week's lesson at [Week 48: Something Like Scales Fall - GOD'S STORY, GOD'S SONG \(godsstorygodssong.com\)](https://www.godsstorygodssong.com/week-48-something-like-scales-fall-gods-story-gods-song)

Here's a video you can watch about his story [https://youtu.be/W\\_BaCLcVMelU](https://youtu.be/W_BaCLcVMelU)

This is a miracle story of a man who once hated Christians, who changed and became someone who shared the good news of Jesus's love for us.

Have you ever told anyone about Jesus? Ask your parents or another adult about ways you could do this. It's important to use our voices, and not just our actions to do this. Remember this week how much Jesus loves you, and share that with a friend or two!

— Love, Stacy and Karen



Registration is now open for MennoCon21! Learn more about online and in-person registration options for the first-ever hybrid convention here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/in-person-mennocon21>

En español: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/en-persona-mennocon21>

Mennonite Church USA has released a new online curriculum called, "Defund the Police? An Abolition Curriculum." The nine-week interactive multi-media curriculum focuses on a biblical view of personal and community safety, in response to the continued brutalization of Black, Brown and Indigenous people by police. Learn more about the curriculum here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news-abolition-curriculum>



Our Stephen Ministers are meeting once a month for continuing education. These topics enhance and extend the knowledge and skills of Stephen Ministers. Sometimes the knowledge will be specifically applicable to the caring situations they find themselves in; at other times the continuing education topics will make them better able to contribute during supervision meetings. Zion's Stephen Ministers are Sheryl Mast, Chris Keady, Luanne Berkey, Karen Kropf, and Carolyn

Yoder. This month, the group is discussing ministering to those experiencing divorce. We thank God for Stephen's Ministry and this opportunity he has given us for growth and service. If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry talk to Pastor Jana.

## In Prayer:

Pray for Mathew Swora who will be having knee surgery on Monday. May the surgery and recovery be successful. Becky will spending extra time with Mathew post-surgery.

*"This year I have been working on loving before judging. Loving people for who they are and because they are children of God. Seeing the great things in everyone I meet and pushing away my initial instinct to judge them for thinking differently than I think. Having conversations with different people and thinking about how they are right instead of how they are wrong. Pushing myself to see the ways we are both right and the ways I am just sometimes wrong. But most importantly, remembering that it doesn't matter who is right and who is wrong, what matters is choosing to love anyway."*

-Luisa Dutchersmith, Johnstown Service Adventure 2020-2021  
Learn more about Service Adventure at [MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure](https://MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure).

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