In Prayer:

Dear Lord, as our students begin a new school year, we pray that you will keep them in your care. Send your Spirit to open their minds to all that is true and beautiful and good. Help them to see the gifts and talents you have given them, and to use them well. Help them to grow in knowledge and wisdom. Help them to be kind to others, and lead others to be kind to them.

Lord, we also want to thank you for our teachers! We pray that you would strengthen teachers with your power this school year. Give them guidance on instruction, strength to complete all tasks, and energy to joyfully interact with their students.

God, you are our help and comfort. May you shelter and surround us in love so tender that we may know your presence is with us, now and always. Amen.

Sermon Notes:

Access Zion's online giving option at https://zionmennoniteoregon.org/GIVE or scan:







Growing 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.

ORDER OF SERVICE -August 31, 2025-

Prelude **GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Congregational Singing

Longing for Light (VT 715)

God Is Here among Us (VT 62)

Offering Blessing

Passing the Peace

WORD

Congregational Singing

God of Our Strength (VT 47)

Children's Time

Scripture Presentation: Philippians 2:1-13

Sermon

RESPONSE

Response Song: Together (VT 389)

Prayers of the People

SENDING

Benediction

Worship Leader: Stan Oyer Song Leader: Jana Gingerich Children's Time: Anne Bomar Speaker: Steve Bomar



Sunday

9:00am Extemporaneous Adult Sunday School Class

10:15am Worship Service

11:45am Fifth Sunday Senior Lunch

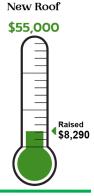
This Week

Thursday, 9:00am Mennonite Women Gathering

Nursery Schedule: Nursery not staffed

Budget Report:

8/24/25 Offering: \$130.00



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FULL SCHEDULE TO RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

We are excited to return to our regular schedule next week!

- While the Potluck Fellowship Breakfast will resume its normal schedule & time of 8:30am on September 14th, for our Kick-Off Sunday on September 7th, we will have a pancake breakfast at 8am.
- ♦ All Sunday School classes will meet at 9am.
- ♦ Worship will begin at the normal time of 10:15am.
- Mennonite Women will have their first gathering on Thursday, September 4th at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like more information about MW, please contact Chris Keady.
- The Zoom Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, September 9th at 10am, and will pick back up in the book of Matthew. All are welcome to join; please contact Pat Hershberger if interested.

PRIMARY SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The Sunday School department is looking for someone to teach the K-2 Class for the Fall quarter (September, October, November). If you would be willing, please talk to Eliza Gingerich or Vonnie Oyer.

MCC'S SCHOOL KIT CHALLENGE EXTENDED

Thank you for your school kit donations! Join us in collecting items for **one additional Sunday** to honor and celebrate all of our local students' return to school and to remember students around the world who benefit from the support of **Mennonite Central Committee**. There are shopping lists available on the back table in the church foyer.

HAPPENING NEXT SUNDAY September 7

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - 8AM

We hope you will join us for a Fellowship Breakfast served under our Solar Pavilion! We will be serving pancakes with syrup & strawberries, breakfast sausage and a selection of orange juice, coffee & tea.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - 9AM

We are so excited to start a new year of Sunday School classes next week! See below for the list of classes being offered.

Primary: Basement

Ages 2-4 Stacy Berkey, Karen Kropf, Julie Yoder

Grades K-2 Gina Hansen (and co-teacher)

Grades 3-5 Jennifer Gingerich, Mary Masingila

Youth: Upstairs

Grades 6-8 Shawn Epp, Ron Kropf, Stan Oyer,

George Tro

High School Karie Smucker

Parent's Fellowship: Basement Facilitated by Anne Bomar

Extemporaneous Class: West Skylight Room

Facilitated by Ken Kauffman

Book/topic Study: Library
Facilitated by Stan Oyer

Current book: "Tending Tomorrow" by Leah Ressor-Keller Books can be purchased online at Herald Press and Amazon.

CHURCH BBQ - 5PM

You are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship at the property of Seth, Eliza, Charlie and Sheryl Gingerich! They will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish or dessert to round out the meal. There will be fun activities to keep you busy, and feel free to bring along friends. We hope to see you there!