

## Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

<b>Worship attendance</b> (with 7 visitors; & 4x2 Twitchers):	c.92
Palm Sun. Eve attendance (with many GH visitors):	c.54
<b>Offering:</b> Peace Connections / Christian Peacemaker Teams	\$575
Apr. receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,350 needed)	\$4,028.80

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<b>SS classes meet</b>	9:45 A.M., Apr. 17
<b>Worship;</b> also live-streamed	10:45 A.M., Apr. 17
1st photo shoot for <b>Zion pictorial directory</b>	c.11:45 A.M., Apr. 17
<b>Zion worknight</b> @ Newton MCC Center	6-7:30 P.M., Apr. 20

### Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Mowing Church / Parsonage: Mike Scott	Before next Sun.
Accompanist / Vocalist(s): Josh & Kristy A. (prelude: Reinhild J.)	Next Sun.
Children's Time: Rosie Epp	Next Sun.
Offering: Mennonite Central Committee	Next Sun.

## Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

<b>Deacons</b> meet (in Library, if status low)	9 A.M., May 9
<b>Governing Council</b> meets (in Overflow, if status low)	7 P.M., May 9
<b>Education Board</b> meets (via Zoom)	7 P.M., May 16
Summer <b>congregational meeting</b>	c.11:45 A.M., June 26

## Pray and Give Thanks This Week for...

- Hennie Janzen, who mid-week began a month-long IV treatment regimen for acute lymphoblastic leukemia in Houston, in strict isolation. Cards/mail may be sent to her at the apartment Mark has rented: 7010 Staffordshire, Apt. 508, Houston, TX 77030.
- Kyle Rutschman's mother, Sandra, who was moved to hospice care on Wed. night. The family appreciates prayers.
- the good news of resurrection, and for WDC congregations as they bear witness to God's gift of new life in Christ!
- proclaiming the message of Jesus' resurrection power and love to those you encounter. Join Mennonite Mission Network's 161 workers and 116 partner organizations throughout the United States and in 47 countries around the world in praying that each of God's children will be a faithful witness.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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April 17, 2022: *Easter*

Worship in the sanctuary at 10:45 A.M.; also live-streamed

Theme: *From Certainty to Openness*

Gathering Song "Low in the Grave He Lay" VT #333  
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Organ Prelude "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"  
—setting by Theodore Beck

Call to Worship From *Leader* (Winter, 2021/22)  
Leader: Together we seek the way of God—

**North: the generous,**

*South: compassionate,*

**N: grace-filled,**

*S: inclusive,*

**N: abundant,**

*S: powerful,*

**N: unsettling,**

**All: way of God.**

Leader: On this day that God has made,  
may our hearts be open to the good news:  
Christ is not here, for he is risen.

**All: Jesus Christ is risen indeed!**

Song "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" VT #346  
Vs. 4: congregation in unison; Adult Choir, descant

Children's Time Karen Andres  
Song "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" VT #359

Scripture(s) *John 20.1-18*  
Sermon "The Magdalene and the Master" Ray Reimer

Response Song "Lift Your Glad Voices" VT #340  
Offering *Western District Conference*  
Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Karen Andres  
Sending Song "We Praise Thee, O God" VT #91  
Benediction and Postlude

Worship Leader: Bonnie Brewer Accompanist / Vocalist: Karen A./Bonnie B.  
Pastor Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) Assoc. Pastor Karen Andres (316-799-2857)

(Our worship is live-streamed and recorded at <[twitch.tv/zionmennonite](https://twitch.tv/zionmennonite)>; recorded services are available for 2 wks. Permission to stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE, License #737503-A. All rights reserved)

**Pastors Ray and Karen's Schedules:** Ray is usually at the church office from about 9 A.M.–NOON on Mon. and Fri.; Karen on Tue. and Thur. afternoons from about 1–4 P.M.

### *Congregational Announcements*

Apr. 17, c.11:45 A.M.: Steven Kauder and Mark Unruh have begun work on an **updated Zion directory**—which will include pictures! On the date / time noted, Mark will begin taking pictures (further photo days will be announced, as will the process to verify / update your family's directory information, and submit pictures if a "live" photo doesn't work for you).

Apr. 20, 6-7:30 P.M.: The Outreach Board invites you to a **night of service** at the MCC Center in North Newton. Please join us; all ages welcome!

May 21, 2-4 P.M.: Joe and Lois Friesen invite the congregation to their **60th wedding anniversary party** (come and go) at their home. Canned goods for the food pantry are welcome. Bring a lawn chair. Please RSVP via their church mailbox *by May 2*.

### *Other Organizations*

Apr. 19, 7:30 P.M.: Bethel College **Orchestra concert** under the direction of Kristopher Hilding, featuring works by Bartok, Bizet, Du Prez, Borge, Telemann and more; in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center (*note change of location*).

Apr. 19, 7 P.M.: Dr. John and Clara Schmidt—former members of Alexanderwohl and First Mennonite (Newton)—were Mennonite medical pioneers in Paraguay, South America (1941-2001). Their 60-year saga of service and adventure is now documented in a new book, *Called*. The authors, Marlena Fiol and Ed O'Connor, will share a behind-the-scenes look at what motivated them to write the book, where the 7 years of research took them, and some of the reactions they've received to the book from a wide range of readers—including family members and leaders of the Mennonite Central Committee. Join this **live virtual event** on the Newton Public Library Facebook page, or via Zoom at <[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_3RlXxVnSQ6e1pS17yjyvRg](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3RlXxVnSQ6e1pS17yjyvRg)>.

Apr. 21, 6-8 P.M.: Artist reception for the annual **Student Art Exhibit**, Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. The exhibit features the work of 56 Bethel students, in a variety of media, and runs *through May 6*. Regular gallery hours: 9 A.M.-4 P.M., Mon.-Fri.

Apr. 21, 7 P.M.: The WDC Immigration Task Force invites you to learn the latest on **how to support new migrants and refugees** near you and learn about how to join the mission of two organizations who have been working at refugee resettlement and immigration justice for many years. We will be glad to network briefly with each other about our congregation's work in this area. Guest speakers will be Charity Stowell (MCC Newcomer Connections Coordinator) and Jen Rafter (International Rescue Committee Development Coordinator). To receive the Zoom link, please register by emailing <[wdc@mennowdc.org](mailto:wdc@mennowdc.org)> *by Apr. 20*.

Apr. 22-23, afternoons: Celebrate **Earth Day at the Newton Et Cetera Shop!** On Fri. and Sat. afternoons, we'll have activities to reduce our carbon footprints by fixing what we have! Check our Facebook page ([facebook.com/newtonetc](https://facebook.com/newtonetc)) for details about our Earth Day weekend schedule.

Apr. 22, 7 P.M.: Bethel College student Bryce Wilson, **junior saxophone recital**, in the Ad Building chapel.

Apr. 23: Work and Play Day at Camp Mennoscah! Details are forthcoming for projects. We'd like to complete the amphitheater project—a crew with trucks and dirt haulers/diggers is needed! Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 to register or for more information.

Apr. 23, 10:30 A.M.: **Earth Day program** at Kauffman Museum featuring falconer Nate Mathews, Wichita, with a bald eagle, inside the museum.

Apr. 23, 11 A.M.–NOON: Newton Et Cetera Shop invites you to **become a volunteer!** Help us to share God's love with all creation by volunteering in clothing, clerking, recycling, linens, housewares or one of our other departments. If you'd like to join us, please call us at 316.283.9461 or attend one of our upcoming volunteer orientations to tell us what interests you: the date / time noted above, or May 19, 6-7 P.M. We hope to hear from you soon!

Apr. 24, 2 P.M.: **KIPCOR Film Series** presents *The Revolution Generation* (before its theatrical release!), in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College; audience talkback led by Jacob Miller-Klugesherz to follow.

Apr. 24, 4 P.M.: **Senior recital** by Bethel College student Kayla Newman, brass, in the Administration Building chapel.

Apr. 24, 7 P.M.: **Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus concert** at Bethel College's Memorial Hall.

Apr. 25, 7 P.M.: Bethel College **Wind Ensemble concert** under the direction of Joel Boettger, in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

Newton Et Cetera Shop invites organizations to apply for this year's **Local Giving Grants**. Application forms may be downloaded at <[newtonetceterashop.com/local-giving-fund/](http://newtonetceterashop.com/local-giving-fund/)> and must be submitted by e-mail to <[localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com](mailto:localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com)> by *April 25, 2022*. Micro-grants will be awarded to selected groups in June 2022, in amounts up to \$500.

May 1, 7 P.M.: **Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus concert** at Bethany College (Lindsborg).

Apr. 26, 7-8:30 P.M.: **Western District Women in Mission** invites all women to a virtual "Meet-up." Please join us as we hear from Barbara Gingrich, Cheryl Kaufman, and Cindy Thompson from Lorraine Ave. Menn. Ch. (Wichita) about their Knit4Peace project. Then, Sarah Augustine will discuss her personal life journey and book, *The Land Is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery*. Sarah is a Pueblo (Tewa) descendant, founder of the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition, Exec. Dir. of a dispute resolution center in Washington State, and a columnist for *Anabaptist World*. There will be an online survey to provide your ideas about future WDWM activities. To register for this event, please email <[westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com](mailto:westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com)> by *Mon., Apr. 25*; you'll be sent the Zoom link.

Apr. 30, 8 A.M.–NOON: The Western District Conference Resource Library in North Newton, KS will be hosting a **Book Sale** outside in front of the WDC building. There will be a large variety of donated books and books removed from circulation. Donations will be accepted for your selections. Hope to see you there!

Apr. 30, 5:30-6:30 P.M.: **Verenike Casserole Fundraiser at Camp Mennoscah!** Menu: verenike casserole, seasoned green beans, zweiback, and fruit crisp. Reserve meals at <[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQ1Gqog-uTvtBJmYOfirJjEKdDRFJv\\_7IQIBAQR9ICqArZA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQ1Gqog-uTvtBJmYOfirJjEKdDRFJv_7IQIBAQR9ICqArZA/viewform)> by *6 P.M., Apr. 24* (requested donation per meal is \$15—additional donations welcome, as they support Camp Mennoscah's mission to love one another, build relationships and follow Jesus Christ!). Pick up meals at Moundridge HS on the date / time noted above.

May 1, 3 P.M.: **Masterworks Concert** at Bethel College, featuring the Oratorio Chorus, orchestra and soloists performing Requiem by Mozart, and Gloria and For the Beauty of the Earth by John Rutter, directed by Dr. William Eash; in Memorial Hall.

Susan Janzen, Central Plains conference minister for Ministerial Leadership, was **inspired by the hymn**, "There's a Wild Hope in the Wind" (VT #828, © 2014 Lora Braun) at the recent Pastors & Leaders | Deep Faith 2022 conference. Read about her experience in her blog: <[mennoniteusa.org/wild-hope-wilderness](http://mennoniteusa.org/wild-hope-wilderness)>.