

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance: (with 1 visitor: YouTube 28x2) c.130
Offering: **MC USA** \$320
Local Fund needed per month \$11,600; received to date \$9,310

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SS classes meet 9:45 A.M., March, 31
Worship 10:45 A.M., March, 31

Mowing Schedule

Wes Brewer **Church/Parsonage** April 4-6
Bernard Regier family **Cemetery** April 8-13

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship Leader: Deanna Entz Next Sun.
Accompanist /Vocalist/Prelude: Karen/Bonnie Next Sun.
Speaker: Lisa Scott Next Sun.
Children’s Time: ??? Next Sun.
Offering: Local Fund Next Sun.
AV: Andrew Wedel Next Sun.
Greeters: Don and Peggy Regier Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

KMRS: April 12 & 13
VBS: June 3-6
Sunday School Picnic: King Park Hesston 10:00 A.M., June 9

Pray and Give Thanks This Week for...

- Prayer for Easter - Good and gracious God, our most glorious Creator, as we greet the signs in nature around us: of Spring once again regaling us in bloom, in the songs of returning birds and fields soon to be planted, we give You praise for an even greater sign of new life: the resurrection of Your Son. Amen.

Zion Mennonite Church

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March 31, 2024

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

Gathering Songs “Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia” VT#341
“Christ is Alive” SS#89

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements Lois Friesen

Prelude Carol Klingenberg

Call to Worship

L: When it is still dark, we come seeking Jesus.
P: The risen Christ is here among us!
L: The stone has been rolled away, walls torn down.
P: The risen Christ is here among us!
L: The burial cloth removed, his body transformed.
P: The risen Christ is here among us!
L: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, and John see and believe.
All: *We find the risen Christ among us who has made all things new! The tomb is empty, the way of Love has prevailed!*
L: Peace be with you!
P: **Peace be with you!**

Offering Mennonite World Conference
(Offering plate located in the back of the sanctuary – youth bring forward for prayer)

Songs “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded” VT#325
“Ah, Holy Jesus” VT#330

Scripture Acts 10: 34-43

Artist’s visions of Jesus’ Death and Resurrection
Reinhild Janzen

MY COINS COUNT.... The big water jug at the back of the sanctuary is available for collecting spare change. The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale will be using it to help those that don't have access to safe drinking water. Thanks for your support.

KIPCOR is offering a training on April 13 and 14. The training is titled *Managing Differences Within Faith Communities*. It will build awareness and prepare for transitional ministry work. The link for more information or registration is <https://kipcor.org/event/managing-differences-within-faith-communities-2/>

Other Organizations

MMN Prayer... On this Easter Sunday, join Mennonite Mission Network in praying for peace and abundant life in Israel and Palestine, the land where Jesus lived, embodied his teachings, was murdered and rose victorious from the dead.

The **Bethel College Community for Justice and Peace** (BC CJP) is hosting a demonstration on Wednesday, April 3rd, at 7:00 PM in front of the Bethel College Administration Building to call for peace in the Middle East, particularly concerning the war in Gaza. You are all invited to join. If you are interested in learning more about this event or BC CJP, subscribe to our free publication at <https://bccjpsurvival.substack.com>.

MCC Sale Announcement: MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton is critically low on inventory for Relief Kits. **YOU CAN HELP** by bringing supplies to the MCC Sale. There will be carts in the Meadowlark (Quilt Building) to collect your supplies. These are the needed supplies to complete kits: new infant sleepers (6-12 month sizes); bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); laundry bar soap (such as Fels Naptha or Zote brands); shampoo (20 oz min) and spiral notebooks (70 sheets).

A banquet is once again being held Saturday, April 6, to raise money for Wheat State Manor, specifically again to fund the chaplain position. Kansas City's Dramatic Truth Ballet Theatre will present a ballet following the meal. There will also be Worship through Dance workshops on Sunday afternoon.

Please join KMMC (Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus) at one or both of our concerts this year:

The first is April 7th at Bethel College Mem Hall 4pm

The second is April 21st Tabor College Richert Auditorium 4pm.

This year we are including the Newton Children's Community Choir, the Flannelbacks and the Menno Brass.

The Emmaus Church "**Foster Family Support Committee**" is hosting an informational workshop on Saturday, April 13, from 4-6pm, at Emmaus, on how child welfare works in Kansas, and practical ways for Christians to be involved at every level. If you are curious about the process of how Kansas kids are determined to be children in need of care, if you'd like to know more about the history of child welfare, or if you desire to walk in faithful obedience to "care for orphans in their distress" in very real, practical ways, you won't want to miss this event. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact Lori Goebel, Glenda Harder, Jessica Keller, or Bitty Wiebe for more information. Hope to see you there!

Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition-April 19 to 30

This annual exhibit will feature unique works of art created by Hesston College students through a variety of mediums. The works are judged by an outside juror and awards will be given for the best pieces. The exhibit will be held in the Regier-Friesen Gallery of the Laban Peachey Center, 325 S College Dr, Hesston, and is open to the public Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. An awards reception will be held April 24, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Katie Petersen, an art professor from Sterling College, will act as this year's guest juror.

MCC invites you to take the challenge: A month of climate actions for peace! Sign up to get your free calendar with a different climate action you can take each day in April. From learning to praying to advocating, this month of activities will help you take action to address climate change. Join the challenge as an individual, family, church or small group. Sign up today for A Month of Climate Actions for Peace at mcc.org/month-climate-action-peace!

All interested singers are invited to participate in Bethel College's annual Masterworks concert on April 28, featuring Benjamin Britten's *Rejoice in the Lamb* and Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Dona Nobis Pacem*. Britten's work is for choir and organ, which features Bethel alumnus, Chris Shaw. Scores are available now and rehearsals begin Tuesday, April 2. Sign up online at <https://forms.gle/Auu4FaYBcaLwKDuF6> so that your contact information is available for digital rehearsal materials, etc., or come to the first rehearsal April 2, 6 p.m., Choir Room in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College.

MCC's Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP) home repair program is seeking summer staff in Kimball, West Virginia or Elkhorn City, Kentucky. These three-month positions for Job Site Coordinators and Meals Coordinators will allow you to explore new cultures, develop skills, build friendships and live out your faith. Applicants should be at least 19 years old, but the roles are not limited to young adults. An hourly wage plus room and board are provided. For more information and to apply, visit mcc.org/swap-summer-meals or mcc.org/swap-summer-job-site. Or contact the MCC Appalachia SWAP office at (606) 634-4418 or AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org.

Women & Girls Save the Date! **Edimental Gardening for Every Growing Space**, featuring Renata Goossen will be sponsored by Western District Women in Mission at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton KS on Friday, April 19. The schedule is: 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. Browse and purchase plants from Renata's Plant Bus. Bring a salad to share for supper to start at 6 p.m. The evening program, 6:30 - 7:30, will feature music by Prairie Highway and Renata speaking on her topic of edimental gardening, plants that are both edible and ornamental. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more details about the evening schedule and our other WDWM activities.

Kauffman Museum bird walk, Sat., April 6- 7 a.m. start time in the museum parking lot at the corner of Main and 27th streets (2801 N. Main St., North Newton 67117). Experienced birders lead a walk of 1-1.5 hours in Chisholm Park and on Sand Creek Trail (terrain is mostly wood-chip path and sometimes uneven/sloping).

You're invited to a virtual estate planning webinar, hosted by Bethel College Advancement and led by experts from Everence and Adrian & Pankratz LLC of Newton.

• Thurs., April 11, 6-7 p.m. – Dennis LeFevre, Everence; Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84488722318>

• Thurs., April 18, 6-7 p.m. – Cindy Wiens & Randy Pankratz, Adrian & Pankratz; Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82173808179>

These webinars are free, with no pre-registration required – just show up using the appropriate Zoom link.

Questions? Contact George Leary, Director of Development, 316-284-5226 or gleary@bethelks.edu

COMING! Commemorating 500 Years of Anabaptism in Zurich + Swiss Alps 9-Day Tour in May 2025. Tour sites: Lake Geneva, Murren – the Swiss mountain village accessed by cable car, and Mennonite heritage in Bern and the Emmental Valley. On May 29 we will join Anabaptists from around the world in Zurich in worship and celebration of the 500 Year beginning of Anabaptism. Details and registration coming soon. Preview the tour at www.tourwithweldon.com To join the “Interested List” contact Weldon Martens at weldon.martens@gmail.com / 402-202-9276.