### Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 4 visitors)	80
Offering (Camp Mennoscah)	\$756

### This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Mowing church: Virgil Epp	Before next Sun.
Mowing cemetery: Andrew Wedel	Before next Sun.
Greeters: Ben and Halie Duerksen	Next Sun.
Musicians: Carol / Carol / Carol	Next Sun.
Offering: Mennonite Church USA	Next Sun.

### Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Wheat State Manor Vespers; Conf. Rm. class leads 4 P.M., May 21	
BC Commencement @ Thresher Stadiu	ım 4 P.M., May 21
Reception for Zach Preheim and Clint U	nruh 6-8 P.M., May 21
Women in Mission meet (note date char	<i>ige</i> ) 1-4 P.M., May 22
Zion leads Kidron Bethel Village Vesper	s 3:30 P.M., May 28
Pentecost communion observance	10:45 A.M., June 4
Pastors and deacons – communion field	trip P.M., June 4
Teacher Appreciation supper (note new	<i>time</i> ) 5:30 P.M., June 4
Community VBS @ Remington MS	June 5-9
Deacons meet	7 P.M., June 6
VBS program & ice cream social @ Remington MS 7 P.M., June 9	
Zion SS Picnic @ King Park (Hesston)	June 11
Governing Council meets	7 P.M., June 12
Zion serves at <b>New Hope Shelter</b>	during week of June 14-20
Zion summer congregational meeting	9 A.M., June 18

### Pray This Week for...

- Delila Wedel, who'll have surgery again this Tue. to replace a pin in her knee which came out during therapy. Pray that she'll not be discouraged by this setback in her recovery.
- all graduates of schools, colleges, universities and seminaries who are finishing their academic work this month. Pray that they would be open to God's leading as they follow their call on the next steps of their journeys.
- unit leaders to lead Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure programs in Colorado Springs, CO, & Jackson, MI.

# **Zion Mennonite Church**

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May 21, 2017

Sunday School at 9:45 A.M. Worship at 10:45 A.M.

\*Gathering Hymn "To God be the glory"

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements; Prelude

\*Call to Worship from Words for Worship 1, #102

HWB #102

Leader: Let us receive the message of God, which I have heard and declare unto you.

# People: God is love; every one that loves is born of God and knows God.

- L: God is light; in God is not darkness at all. When we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another.
- P: Let us declare the praises of God, who called us out of darkness into this wonderful light and this fellowship of love.

\*Hymn "What mercy and divine compassion" HWB #524

Children's Time

Scripture Romans 3:9-10, 21-24

Sermon "Lines and Lifelines" Ray Reimer

\*Response Hymn "Wonderful grace of Jesus" HWB #150

Offering Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
Offertory

**Sharing Celebrations and Concerns** 

Prayer Rosie Epp

\*Sending Hymn "Just as I am, without one plea" SJ #92

\*Benediction and Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able

Greeters: Josh and Kristy Andres family Musician: Kristyn Wedel

Worship Leaders: Jenny Regier and Jordan Penner

Co-Pastors: Ray Reimer and Rosie Epp (316) 799-1200

**Pastors Ray and Rosie's Schedules:** One of them is at the church office most weekday mornings by about 9 A.M., Ray on Mon., Thur., & Fri., Rosie on Tue. & Wed. This week they'll attend some further graduation events.

#### Thank You...

...to everyone who participated in our baby shower. A special thanks to everyone who helped plan the shower, or assisted in making it a great time. Also thank you very much to everyone who attended or sent their regards because of prior engagements. We feel so blessed to have such a supportive group of people in our lives.

—Tim and Sarah Wedel

# Additions to 2017 Spring Graduation list

**Gavin Andres** (son of Craig; grandson of Edna) was promoted from 8th grade; he'll attend Peabody-Burns High School next year.

**Blake Ronnebaum** (grandson of Jim and Gladys Preheim) graduated with a Bachelor's of Science degree in chemical engineering from Kansas State University; he'll proceed to graduate study at the University of Kansas.

**Martin Hofkamp** (son of Jim and Becky Nickel) graduated with a Master's of Education degree from Johns Hopkins University; he'll continue teaching in the Goshen, Indiana area.

### Congregational Announcements

- May 21, 6-8 P.M: All are invited to a **graduation reception** for Zach Preheim and Clint Unruh in Bethel College's Mantz Library.
- May 22, 1-4 P.M. (please note changed date): Women in Mission will work on MCC quilts and kitbags. Devotions: Gladys Preheim. Offering: MCC school kits. Refreshment: Bring a small snack.
- <u>June 5, 5:30 P.M.</u>: **Teacher Appreciation supper** for all youth teachers and helpers for Sunday School and Wed. evening classes.

June 11, 10 A.M.: **Zion SS Congregational Picnic** at King Park shelter house, Hesston, with the theme of "Sharing and Friendship." We request that each Sunday School class share one item: a song, a poster, a story, a skit, etc. Bring food to share and your own table service; drinks and dessert will be provided. Also, please bring items for local food banks.

## Other Organizations

- May 21, 4 P.M.: Bethel College **Commencement** at Thresher Stadium (Memorial Hall if rain).
- May 21, 7 P.M.: Two distinguished scientists—Dr. Michael Crawford and Dr. Francis McMahon—will speak at Alexanderwohl Menn. Ch. (rural Goessel) about their **research on biological aging** and the genetics of depression and schizophrenia as they relate to Mennonites in central Kansas. The public is invited to this free lecture. Further details on the bulletin board.
- May 21-24: Emmaus Ch. invites all to a **Missions Conference** with Mike Matthews on the topic of "Looking at the Characteristics of God and how they Pertain to Missions." Matthews lives in Spokane, WA and works with Worldview Resource Group. Our conference will start each evening at 7 P.M., Sun. through Wed.
- June 2-3: A **Mini Comforter Blitz** will be held at MCC Central State Material Resource Center (121 E 30th St, North Newton). Pieced comforter tops will be tied and bound, and then distributed by MCC to those displaced by or seeking refuge from political unrest or natural disasters. The blitz will be open on Fri., June 2, from 1 to 8 P.M., and on Sat., June 3, from 8 A.M. to noon. Bring a snack to share with others, and bring a sack lunch if you are staying over a mealtime; drinks will be furnished. Need childcare? Please RSVP to Kara Klingenberg at (620) 983-9003. Every age is welcome, from youths to senior citizens.
- June 3, 6 A.M.—8 P.M.: The public is invited to "Walk Sand Creek Trail Day," part of National Trails Day®. Water will be available for people and dogs at the trailhead at Memorial Grove on the Bethel College campus, dawn to dusk, courtesy of the Sand Creek Trail Committee.

Needs: The MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton is running particularly low on the following items: bottles of shampoo (13-24 oz.), bars of infant friendly/mild soap, infant sleepers/onesies (sizes 3-9 months), men's crew socks (white). Without these items, various kits cannot be completed so we need your help! Kit items can be dropped off at the Material Resources Center or purchased online (Amazon Smile or other online retailers) and shipped directly to MCC. Questions? Please contact Kate Mast at (316) 283-2720 or katemast@mcc.org.

June 3, 10–11:30 A.M.: Shalom Menn. Ch. (800 E First, Newton) will host a **Community Conversation on Immigration** (note that this is a new date & time from previous announcements). It will be a moderated panel discussion with a question and answer time to follow. The discussion will focus on the panelists' general perspectives on issues that affect refugees and immigrants in KS and Harvey County. The confirmed panel participants are Bob Myers (Newton City Manager) and Tim Hodge (State Representative). If you have questions about the event, contact office@shalomnewton.org.

June 5, 7 P.M.: Everence Financial will provide information about **retirement income** to help you determine if you have enough money to retire, what to do if the market doesn't cooperate and how to know if your savings will last. The seminar to be held at the Everence office in Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at (620) 327-4043 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

June 5-9: **Community VBS** will be held at Remington Middle School in Whitewater with the theme "Over the Moat–Drawbridge to the King." Our church is responsible for providing 15 dozen cookies. (Please remember that peanut allergies continue to be a huge issue. Anyone providing cookies may choose to buy commercial cookies which must be labeled for peanut allergies. Anyone making cookies—please label clearly regarding peanut contact with ingredients.) If you are willing to make cookies, or interested in being a co-teacher, please contact Carol Klingenberg. A VBS closing program including ice cream and a "castle carnival" will be held Fri., June 9 at 7 P.M. for everyone.

June 7, 5-7 P.M.: Calling all Mennonite Central Committee volunteers (workroom, warehouse, meat canning, Kansas Relief Sale, Et Cetera Shop and more) to join us for our **Volunteer Appreciation BBQ** on in the MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton, KS. Check mcc.org/volunteer-bbq for more information. Please RSVP for the event *by May 24* to Patsy Dirksen, (316) 283-2720, patsydirksen@mcc.org.

June 14–July 26 (excepting July 5): Children ages 3-8 are invited to **Summer Story Hour** at the Western District Conference Resource Library June 14 through July 26 (not July 5). Register TODAY at https://goo.gl/forms/kQwNSzl9Bw8rr1q03 or by emailing / calling the library crlib@mennowdc.org or (316) 283-6300. Due to limited space, children should be able to attend at least 4 of the 6 weeks offered.

<u>July 4-8</u>: Mennonite Church USA **Biennial Assembly** in Orlando, FL; John and Reinhild Janzen attend as Zion delegates, also Pastors Ray and Rosie (the former as a WDC delegate).

July-Aug.: Camp Mennoscah is restarting the search for 1-2 **volunteer kitchen staff** for both July 16-22 (Junior High II) and July 30-August 4 (Senior High). Kitchen staff can receive a parent discount up to full camp fees. The only skills needed are willing hands, cheerful hearts, and the ability to follow directions. Contact us at <olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org> or (620) 297-3290.

<u>Aug. 4-6</u>: **Western District Conference Annual Assembly**, at Double Tree Hilton Hotel Arlington: DFW South in Texas.

**Opening**: Bethel College seeks a full-time director of development. Bachelor's degree required with 3-5 years' experience in funds solicitation or a combination of transferable experience. Send cover letter, resume and three professional references to: Fred Goering (interim vice president for advancement), fgoering@bethelks.edu; see full job description at www.bethelks.edu/why-bethel/people/career-opportunities/