

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

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Mowing church: Matt Wedel
Mowing cemetery: John Janzen
Greeters: Lillian Wedel
Musicians: Kristyn / Kristyn / Kristyn
Offering: Local Fund

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Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Western District Conference **Annual Assembly** @ Dallas Aug. 4-6
Sara Dick **preaches** Aug. 6
Zion retreat @ Camp Mennoscah Aug. 12-13
[No worship at Zion bldg; come to Mennoscah] 10 A.M., Aug. 13
Food & Thought @ J&LFriesen's NOON, Aug. 20
Zion serves at **New Hope Shelter** during wk of Aug. 23-29
Spiritual Life Board meal / meeting NOON, Aug. 27
Zion swim party @ Peabody pool; potluck after 5 P.M., Aug. 27
Deacons meet 7 P.M., Sept. 5
WDC Women and Girls Retreat @ Camp Mennoscah Sept. 8-10
Governing Council meets 7 P.M., Sept. 11
Worldwide Communion observance Oct. 1

Pray This Week for...

- Jim Preheim, who continues as a patient at Wesley Med Center, hoping to transfer soon to the Newton Med Center rehab wing.
- Pete Klassen, who awaits results of last week's cardiac test.
- Elda Hiebert, unable to worship with us regularly.
- all who will travel to WDC Annual Assembly in Arlington, TX, next weekend, and for all who are planning and leading assembly activities. Zion's delegates are Karen Andres, Rosie Epp, Ray Reimer, and Lisa Scott.
- Marvin Lorenzana, the coordinator of Mennonite Mission Network's Missional Discipleship Initiative, which uses small groups to encourage spiritual growth in congregations. Because of its relational nature, transformation spreads to the entire church. Pray also for all who open themselves to the Holy Spirit's work through this ministry.

Zion Mennonite Church

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July 30, 2017

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

*Gathering Hymn "In the morning when I rise" SJ #45
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
Prelude Reinhild Janzen

Call to Worship

Leader: All who struggle with issues of faith,
come and gather here.

People: We come to be renewed by God.

L: All who sometimes wrestle with God,
come and gather here.

P: We come to be blessed by God.

L: All who wander without knowing what lies ahead,
come and gather here.

P: We come to be reassured by God.

Children's Time June Entz

*Hymn "View the present through the promise" SS #108

Scripture Readings Genesis 32:22-31; Romans 9:1-5

Sermon "On not getting one's way" Ray Reimer

*Response Hymn "If you but trust in God to guide" HWB #576

Offering *Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission*

Offertory Reinhild Janzen

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Rosie Epp

*Sending Hymn "How firm a foundation" HWB #567

*Benediction and Postlude

**Please stand if you are able*

Greeters: Jeremy and Steph Entz family
Worship Leader: June Entz and family Musician: Kristyn Wedel
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 receive possession of their new house in North Newton. Ray will be turning over most pastoral responsibilities to Rosie for next 6-8 weeks while he attempts some remodeling. They're hoping to actually move around mid-Sept.

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including no visitors): 76
Offering (Mennonite Church USA): \$390

Congregational Announcements

From Governing Council: "The **operating fund balance** is quite low; additional donations are needed if all bills are to be paid."

Aug. 12-13: Come to our annual **Zion Retreat at Camp Mennoscah** where we will be "exploring the wilderness." Camp opens at 2 P.M. on Sat., Aug. 12. Worship on Sun. begins at 10 A.M. (a full schedule is posted on the bulletin board). We have access to the Cottonwood Building that has 3 rooms, the Sunflower Building that has 2 rooms with 14 beds each and 1 room with 6 beds, and the cabins. You are also welcome to bring a tent or camper and stay in that. We will have unlimited swimming. What to bring?—sleeping bags, swim suit, towel, bug spray, flashlight, river play clothes and shoes, a snack to share for late night games, a dessert, a Bible, and an extra change of clothing. *Sign up on the bulletin board by Aug. 8 or contact Kathy Preheim. Also, note the "Mennoscah travel alert" on the next page.*

Aug. 27, 5 P.M.: A free **Zion swim party** at the Peabody City Pool from 5-6 P.M. We'll plan to have a group potluck afterwards in the park; bring food, tableware (cups, plates, spoons and forks) and lawn chairs. We will provide drinks.

Other Organizations

Mennoscah travel alert - bridge out!: The Smoots Creek bridge to the south of Hwy 54 will be closed beginning July 17 for replacement. The closure is expected to last until June 2018. Alternate routes to Camp Mennoscah: Drivers heading *west from Wichita* on US-54: take the NE 150th Ave./Mt Vernon exit south to NE 10th St. (old 54 highway), and west to NE 100th Ave. Drivers heading *south from Hutchinson* on NE 100th Ave.: use west bound entrance ramp at US-54, go west on Highway 54 to NE 70th Ave. (next exit), exit the highway and drive south to NE 10th St., then back east to NE 100th Ave. See map posted on bulletin board.

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

Aug. 4-6: **Young Adult Weekend** at Camp Mennoscah! Scholarships are available; you can register online at campmennoscah.org.

Aug. 5, 7 A.M.: Kauffman Museum **bird walk**. Join experienced birders Gregg Friesen and Rod Wedel in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours.

Aug. 21: **Everence is moving to new offices** in North Newton! Finishing touches are now being made and we'll be in our new building starting Aug. 21. Thereafter Everence will be located at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton—just north of the Mennonite Central Committee offices, on the other side of the road. Feel free to stop by anytime! Our phone numbers are the same: (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294. And for your convenience, we're maintaining a satellite office at Schowalter Villa, 200 W. Cedar, Hesston, in addition to our Hutchinson office.

Sept. 3-4: **Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah. Join us, all people affected by mental issues, including friends and families! We will have sessions on the theme of "Branching Out." Also part of our time together are crafts, a hayrack ride, worship, swimming, and time to visit with old and new friends! Register online at campmennoscah.org. Scholarships are available. Contact us at (620) 297-3290 with questions.

Women in Mission are asking for anyone to join us to purchase items for **MCC relief kits**. These kits are in an emergency NEED as many family lives have been disrupted by war or disaster. Place items in box by bulletin board. Thanks.

Contents (NEW items only, in original packaging):

- 4 large bars bath soap
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (13-24 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large laundry soap (Some stores carry Fels Naptha, Sunlight or Zoto brands)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs (6-8 inches)
- 1 finger nail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (40 count, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18-24 count thin max)

MCC will purchase the toothpaste.

Sept. 8-10: Registration is now open for the **Womens/Girls Retreat** (3rd grade and up) at Camp Mennoscah. Our theme is “Together: Rooted and Reaching” with Barb Krehbiel Gehring as our featured speaker. Schedules & registration forms are available on the bulletin board or at: [<http://mennowdc.org/calendar/>](http://mennowdc.org/calendar/). We will celebrate 100 years of Mennonite Women organizations through stories and a hymn sing Fri. evening. There will be no separate girls programming this year, so girls should register for Sat. morning and afternoon activities and seminars. Hope to see you all at Camp Mennoscah!

Sept. 12, 7 P.M.: Nationally syndicated columnist and author **Leonard Pitts Jr.** will speak at Bethel College in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College as part of KIPCOR’s 30th-anniversary celebration.