

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 7 visitors):	92
Pete Klassen funeral	176
Offering: Mennonite Disaster Service	\$973.95

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Mission Sunday w/ Sunoku Lin	Oct. 15
Adult SS classes invited to joint presentation	9:45 A.M.
Worship, with Sunoku Lin preaching	10:45 A.M.
Women in Mission meet	1:30 P.M., Oct. 16
Spiritual Life Board meets	6 P.M., Oct. 18
Church Workday	9 A.M.-?, Oct. 21
Wed. eve children's activities: Halie / Allie	This Wed.
Mowing church: Thurman Entz	Before next Sun.
Greeters: Ed and Evelyn Andres	Next Sun.
Musicians: Carol / Carol / Carol / adult choir	Next Sun.
Offering: Mennonite Church USA	Next Sun.

Pray This Week for...

- Silas Stucky, who celebrated his 90th birthday yesterday.
- Virgil Epp, now recovering at home after a heart cath/stent procedure this last Wed.; all went well.
- Lavern Wedel, dismissed from rehab at Wheat State Manor this last Fri., and continuing his healing at home.
- Lorena Klassen, mourning Pete's death a week ago, and adjusting to a new living setting at Wheat State Manor.
- the family of Mary Ellen Bauerle (Bonnie Brewer's grandmother), whose funeral was this last Thur. in Fairview.
- Western District Conference representatives Ryan Koch, Anita Kehr and Heidi Regier Kreider attending Mennonite Church USA Constituency Leaders Council this week in Kansas City.
- Laura Schlabach of Mennonite Mission Network, who serves JCS, an umbrella organization for mission agencies in Mongolia, through administrative support. She is also a voice for people in the countryside. Pray that God would help her perfect her language skills for good communication.

Zion Mennonite Church

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October 15, 2017

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

*Gathering Hymn "God of the earth, the sky, the sea" HWB #53
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
Prelude Reinhild Janzen
Call to Worship 1 Chron. 16:31-34

Leader: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,
and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

**People: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it!**

L: Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

**P: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
For his steadfast love endures forever!**

Children's Time Rosie Epp
*Hymn "Built on the rock" HWB #309
Scripture Reading Acts 7:54—8:3
Sermon "Christian hope" Sunoku Lin
*Response Hymn "My hope is built on nothing less" HWB #343
Offering *Western District Conference*
Offertory Reinhild Janzen
Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Rosie Epp
*Sending Hymn "Lo, a gleam from yonder heaven" HWB #591
*Benediction and Postlude

**Please stand if you are able*

Greeter: Ann Schowengerdt
Worship Leader: Margaret Brewer Musician: Karen Andres
Co-Pastors: Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) and Rosie Epp (316-217-7338)

Pastors Ray and Rosie's Schedules/Contacts: One of them is at the church office several weekday mornings by about 9 A.M., Ray on Mon. & Fri., Rosie on Tue. & Wed. (all day); they'll be visiting in the community some afternoons. As they're no longer at the parsonage, please use the church phone (316-799-2071) or the cellphone numbers noted above... and please leave a voice message if no answer. This week Ray will attend a MMN pastor appreciation breakfast Mon. morning, a Prairie View pastors' workshop on secondary trauma Tue. noon, and a clergy/residents brunch at Kansas Christian Home Thur. Rosie will participate in MCC-US board meetings in Akron, PA from Thur.-Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Zion serves at New Hope Shelter	during wk of Nov. 1-7
Daylight Savings Time ends	Nov. 5
Deacons meet at R&R's	7 P.M., Nov. 7
Governing Council meets	7 P.M., Nov. 13
Wheat State Manor Vespers ; Overflow class leads	4 P.M., Nov. 19
Thanksgiving Eve service [<i>no usual Wed activities</i>]	Wed., Nov. 22
Zion cong. mtg. for budget & elections	c.11:45 A.M., Dec. 3
No Wednesday evening meal and activities	P.M., Dec. 27
Zion cong. mtg. for reports & projects	7 P.M., Jan. 3, 2018

Congregational Announcements

Oct. 15: Zion will observe **Mission Sunday**. Our speaker will be Sunoku Lin, a bivocational pastor at Maranatha Christian Fellowship in Northridge, CA, as well as the CFO at TRACE Worldwide Corporation. He also serves on the boards of Mennonite Mission Network and Mennonite Central Committee US, is the treasurer of Mennonite World Conference, and is a leader with Anabaptist Renewal Circles. Adult Sunday School classes are also invited to hear him speak about the Mennonite Church in Indonesia during the education hour. (There will be no meal this year, as there'll be a potluck the prior week).

Oct. 16, 1:30 P.M.: **Women in Mission** meets at Laura Entz's house. We'll be tying a quilt for the MCC sale, with a devotional and offering. Refreshments: Bring a small snack of your choice.

Other Organizations

Oct. 15, 2 P.M.: **Final performance** of the Bethel College Fall Festival musical, *Godspell*, in Krehbiel Auditorium. Purchase tickets starting one hour before showtime in the ticket office, subject to availability.

Oct. 18, 6 P.M.: **Lecture by Duane Stoltzfus** on "The Story of the Hutterite Martyrs," at Kauffman Museum. Stoltzfus, prof. of communication at Goshen College, is the author of *Pacifists in Chains: The Persecution of the Hutterites During the Great War*. This talk complements the museum's special exhibit "Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War."

Oct. 21, 1:00-3:30 P.M.: "**The Kansas Death Penalty: What a Waste, 2017**," KCADP Abolition Conference, at McPherson Ch. of the Brethren, 200 N. Carrie, McPherson. Speakers include Roger Werholtz, retired Secretary of the KS Dept. of Corrections; Senator Carolyn McGinn, Chair of Senate Ways and Means Committee; and Celeste Dixon, murder victim family member. To register/RSVP, email info@ksabolition.org or call 785-235-2237.

Oct. 21, 5-7 P.M.: Please join us for our annual **Mission Supper** at Hoffnungsau Menn. Ch. Baked sausage, mashed potatoes, creamed peas, applesauce, rolls and homemade pie—all for a free will donation which will benefit Mennonite Disaster Service and Camp Mennoscah playground replacement project. HMC is located at 43 13th Avenue. For more info contact 620-585-6733.

Oct. 21, 6-8 P.M.: The **Chairishing CASA Kids** fundraiser will be held at the Carriage Factory Art Gallery (128 E 6th, Newton). Chairs transformed into works of art by local artists will be auctioned as well as a silent auction with gift baskets from local businesses. CASA provides advocates to be a voice for abused and neglected children in the pursuit of safe and permanent families in Harvey County. For more info visit: 9thcasa.org.

Oct. 24, 4:30-6:30 P.M.: Safehope (formerly Harvey Co. CV/SA Safe House) **Oktoberfest & Chamber After Hours** at 316 N Oak St at the Safehope Outreach & Advocacy Center. Free walking tacos; door prizes with live local music by Sam Unruh.

Oct. 22, 7 P.M.: The West Zion Menn. Ch. (101 S Washington Ave, Moundridge) **Concert Series** continues. Featured performers include Ken Rodgers, organ; the McPherson Community Brass Choir directed by Jerry Toews; Jonathan Schrag, baritone vocalist; Hopeful Blues instrumental quintet; and Donna Stucky, piano. No admission charge, but a free-will offering will be received. After the concert, there will be a time of fellowship and refreshments.

Oct. 26, 6:30-8:30 P.M.: “Who Speaks for Victims and Survivors,” at the MCC Center (121 E 30th St, North Newton). This **sexual abuse prevention training** will be a panel discussion with Stephanie Krehbiel, Lee Penner and Jeff Combs, led by Katherine Burkey Wiens. To register e-mail <kathywiens59@gmail.com> or call 316-587-7244. Cost: suggested donation of \$20.

Nov. 2, 7:30 P.M.: **Hesston Community Read** for 2017 is *Blue Revolution: Unmaking America’s Water Crisis* by Cynthia Barnett. A number of events (films, discussions, lectures) are scheduled for the fall including a presentation by Barnett on this date at the Hesston Menn. Ch. See flier on bulletin board.

Nov. 3-5 and Nov. 15-17: Camp Mennoscah offers two **Scrapbook & Crafts Retreats** this fall. Register online at campmennoscah.org or call us at 620-297-3290 for a paper registration.

Nov. 10, 6 P.M.: Safehope (formerly Harvey Co. CV/SA Safe House) **Gala and Action** at Meridian Center (1420 E Broadway Ct, Newton). Join in for tasty hors d’oeuvres, live music, and amazing auction items. To reserve a seat, call 316-284-6922 or visit <www.safehope.net/gala/html>.

Nov. 11: **MDS Region 3 Annual Meeting**, at Beemer Menn. Ch., Beemer, NE. More information and registration on bulletin board.

Nov. 17, 7:30 P.M.: “Slightly Left of Normal: Theatrical musing from Ted Swartz on life, God and other minor details.” **Drama** in Luyken Fine Arts Center, Bethel College; see board for tickets, registration.

Nov. 18, 8:30 A.M.–5 P.M.: 4th Biennial **Worship and the Arts Symposium** at Bethel College, with Ted and Co. TheaterWorks leading reflection on “Seasons of the Soul: Enacting the mystery of faith.” Discount if 3 or more from same congregation attend (includes ticket to Fri. drama, Sat. lunch & supper). For more info and registration, see <bethelks.edu/worshiparts>.

Nov. 18, 7:30 P.M.: “Singing the Mystery of Faith,” a **worship service** in Memorial Hall of Bethel College featuring reflections by Ted Swartz, and the voices of the Bethel Concert Choir and singers from area churches (William Eash, conducting). Free and open to the public; offering of non-perishable food and funds accepted for Harvest of Love. (Area singers are invited to join the mass choir, rehearsing from 5–6:30 P.M. before the service; please indicate your interest to Carol Klingenberg soon, to receive music).

Nov. 19, 7 P.M.: Faith Menn. Ch. (Newton), in partnership with Western District Conference (MCUSA), MCC Central States and Bethel College is sponsoring the Kansas premier production of “**DISCOVERY: A Comic Lament**” produced by Ted & Co. TheaterWorks. This is a play about the Doctrine of Discovery, the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of Indigenous Peoples. It finds unexpected humor at the crossroads of justice, land use, and Indigenous experience and nudges us to question our stories with honesty and integrity. Several scenes in the show have their roots in Kansas locations. The production will take place in Krehbiel Auditorium on Bethel College campus. Ticket information will be released soon.

Dec. 9, 7 P.M.: The Hesston College Music Department invites **alumni and friends to sing** with the college choirs for the annual Masterworks Concert, *Light Eternal*, at Hesston Menn. Ch. Morten Lauridsen’s “Lux Aeterna” (Light Eternal) is the concert’s central work. In memory of lost loved ones, this performance is a reminder of the Light that comforts us during the holiday season. Singers should plan to attend Monday choral rehearsals beginning Oct 23. For more info and a complete schedule, visit www.hesston.edu/lighteternal or contact 620-327-8143 or <russell.adrian@hesston.edu>.