

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 11 visitors):	101
Offering: Local Fund	\$3,845
Monthly goal (per budget) for Local Fund	\$12,112
Monthly receipts to date for Local Fund	\$3,845
Furnace/AC fund year to date	\$6,191

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“Open Road” ensemble from BC in worship; + potluck	Apr. 8
KS Menn. Men’s Chorus @Central Comm Ch-Wichita	7 P.M., Apr. 8
Governing Council meets	7 P.M., Apr. 9
KS Mennonite Relief Sale @ Hutch fairgrounds	Apr. 13-14
Mowing church + parsonage: Andrew Wedel	Before next Sun.
Mowing cemetery: Klingenberg / Duerksen	Before next Sun.
Greeters: Gary and Sharon Wedel	Next Sun.
Musicians: Drew / Joy / Karen	Next Sun.
Offering: Western District Conference	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

KS Menn. Men’s Chorus @ Mem Hall, BC	7 P.M., Apr. 15
Education Board meets	6:30 P.M., Apr. 17
Zion work night @ MCC center/NNewton	6–7:30 P.M., Apr. 18
Food & Thought @ DRegier/AVoth’s	NOON, Apr. 22
Teacher Orientation for “Peace Lab”	NOON, Apr. 29
Outreach Board meets (rescheduled)	6 P.M., May 2
Deacons meet	9 A.M., May 4
Pentecost Sunday (communion + communion field trips)	May 20

Pray This Week for...

- Delila Wedel, who celebrates her birthday this week.
- Kara Klingenberg, whose grandmother Vernell Kaufman died Mar. 31; her funeral was this last Thur. at Eden Menn. Ch.
- Doris Regier, who started hospice care at Kidron-Bethel Village this last week.
- ...many leaders from across Mennonite Church USA who will gather in Lansdale, PA on Apr. 12-14 for joint Executive Board and Constituency Leaders Council meetings.

Zion Mennonite Church

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April 8, 2018

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

*Gathering Hymn	“Thine is the glory”	HWB #269
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements		
Prelude	“Beati mortui” –Felix Mendelssohn “Sanctus” –Franz Schubert	Open Road
Call to Worship	from <i>Words for Worship 1</i> , #46	
Leader: This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!		
People: This is the day the stone is cast aside, and the mantle of darkness is cast away!		
L: Be glad and rejoice— God has swallowed up death forever.		
P: This is the day of salvation.		
L: The Lord of light has come and reigns forever. Christ is risen!		
All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.		
Special Music	“This I pray” –Kelson Graber “Deep river” –arr. H. T. Burleigh	Open Road
Children’s Time	Nick Preheim	
Special Music	“Rock of ages” “Don’t you want to go to heaven”	Open Road
Scripture Reading	Luke 24:13-35	
Meditation	“A walk to remember”	Rosie Epp
* Response Hymn	“We walk by faith and not by sight”	HWB #570
Offering	<i>Christian Peacemaker Teams / Peace Connections</i>	
Offertory	“Ain’a that good news” –William L. Dawson	Open Road

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer		Ray Reimer
* Sending Song	“Alleluia” –arr. by Eddie Wright and Jim Henry	Open Road
Postlude	*Please stand if you are able	

Greeters: Russell and June Entz family Musician: Carol Klingenberg
Worship Leader: Jeanne Schmidt
Co-Pastors: Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) and Rosie Epp (316-217-7338)

We welcome all who’ve gathered to worship God this morning, especially our guests from Bethel College’s men’s a cappella ensemble. The 2017/2018 participants of “Open Road” are: Nathan Kroeker (Augusta), Alec Loganbill (Hesston), Nicholas Preheim (Peabody), Randall Schmidt (Lawrence), Austin Regier (Newton), Tyler Shima (Topeka), Dominick Geddert (Fresno, CA), Kendrick Weaver (Hesston), and David Wulff-Cochrane (Edmond, OK).

Pastors Ray and Rosie’s Schedules: One of them is at the church office several weekday mornings by about 9 A.M., Ray on Mon. & Fri., Rosie on Tue. & Wed.; they’ll be visiting some afternoons. This week Ray plans to participate in the Remington Area Minister’s gathering Thur. noon.

Congregational Announcements

Apr. 8, NOON: As we host the “Open Road” men’s ensemble from Bethel College, we’re planning a **congregational potluck** at noon.

Apr. 18, 6–7:30 P.M.: The Outreach Board is sponsoring a **work night at the MCC Center** in North Newton; come out and enjoy volunteering together! There’ll be opportunities for all ages.

Graduates! Parents and Grandparents! We try to recognize those commencing from school programs each season. Please inform Pastor Ray via note or e-mail *by Thur., May 3* of any such transitions, noting name of student, school, degree, program/major, commencement ceremony date, date/time/place of reception (if desired), and future plans if they are known.

Other Organizations

Apr. 8, 2 P.M.: Matthew Lind **senior clarinet recital**, in the Bethel College Administration Building chapel.

Apr 8, 2 P.M.: Camp Mennoscah will be **putting the dam back in** on Sunday at approximately 2 P.M.-ish. Be prepared for whatever weather we have. Come early on Fri. or Sat. to help us move things back into the new kitchen! Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 with questions.

Apr. 8, 4 P.M.: Hesston-Bethel Performing Arts presents the **Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra** with Berta Rojas, guitar, in Memorial Hall of Bethel College (ticket purchase required for non-season ticket holders of HBPA or NMKSO).

Apr. 10, 5-8 P.M.: New Hope Shelter is excited to announce our upcoming fundraising, **Dine Out 2 Donate**. This Tues., from 5-8 P.M., participating restaurants will be contributing 10-20% of your total order to New Hope Shelter! There is also a Facebook event @ <https://www.facebook.com/events/189671271760176/> about this.

Apr. 10, 7:30 P.M.: Diane Bish offers an **inaugural organ concert** in the Richert Auditorium of the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts of Tabor College. The organ was designed by Burton Tidwell and built by The Allen Organ Co., specifically for Tabor’s auditorium. Tickets for the event are available at <tabor.edu/events> or by calling the student life office at (620) 947-3121 ext. 1033.

Apr. 11: Sexualized violence and the church: Mennonite Central Committee is offering 3 free webinars for churches who want to learn more about how to address sexualized violence within their congregation and how to encourage healthy sexuality and healthy masculinity among members. All three webinars will start at 2 P.M. and end at 3 P.M. CST. The first webinar, *Healthy sexuality in our congregations* will be on Apr. 11. Katherine Goerzen and Benjamin Reynolds will lead the discussion focusing on what role the church can play in fostering and supporting healthy views of sexuality. Register for the webinars at mcc.org/wwso. Questions? Contact karinkauffmanwall@mcc.org.

Apr. 13, 4–8:30 P.M. and Apr. 14, 7 A.M. until mid-afternoon: Join the multitudes at the 50th **Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale** at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson, KS.

Apr. 13, 7 P.M.: “**Praising God through Service**”: a program celebrating 50 years of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale, at Bretz Law Arena, Kansas State Fairgrounds. Along with reflections on the history of the sale, various items (including the 50th anniversary quilt) will be auctioned, along with a short concert from the Kansas Mennonite Men’s Chorus.

Apr. 13, 7 P.M.: “**Sounds of Spain**”: joint concert of Bethel College Wind Ensemble and Bethel College Academy of Performing Arts musicians, in Memorial Hall.

Apr. 14, 3 P.M.: Juliana Drouhard **senior clarinet recital**, in the Administration Building chapel at Bethel College.

Apr. 15, 16: The Bethel College Dept. of Bible and Religion and KIPCOR will sponsor Jalane Schmidt, associate prof. of religious studies at the Un. of Virginia, Charlottesville, and a Black Lives Matter activist, for **two public lectures** (both in Krehbiel Aud. in Fine Arts Center on the Bethel campus). The first is Sun., Apr. 15, 7:30 P.M.: “Huck Finn Moments: Using White Privilege to Dismantle White Supremacy.” The second is Mon., Apr. 16, for convocation at 11 A.M.: “Holding Space in #Charlottesville: Confronting ‘Alt-Right’ White Supremacists.”

Apr. 15, 4 P.M.: Bethel College Women’s Ensemble **spring concert**, at Bethel College Menn. Ch.

Apr. 16 (circa): Camp Mennoscah plans to start construction of the new playground, “**The Whale**,” in mid-April, and we’re looking for volunteers to come out and help!

Apr. 19-20: The Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) at Bethel College will host “**Restorative Kansas**” on the Bethel campus Thur.-Fri.—the first-ever statewide conference on restorative justice in Kansas. For more information and to register online, go to kipcor.org.

Apr. 20-22: **Men and Boys Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah, for all ages, requiring no pre-registration. Lodging options include cabins, staff houses, tents, bringing an RV—all first come, first served. The optional meals available are Sat. supper through Sun. lunch, costing about \$6 apiece. Adam Voth Unruh will be our speaker on Sun., sharing about “Trusting God on your faith journey.” Questions? Contact kevinneufeld2@gmail.com or 316-322-5515.

Opening: Offender Victim Ministries in Newton, KS, seeks a full-time executive director to provide dynamic vision and overall strategic leadership for OVM’s programs, development, promotion and constituency engagement. Qualifications include excellent communication, management and organizational skills, and a strong commitment to restorative justice principles. Send resumes and inquires to Becky Nickel, board chair, at offendervictimministries@gmail.com *by Apr. 20, 2018.*

Apr. 20, 10 A.M.: Join a free discussion at the Newton YMCA, Studio A, on **advance care planning**, and view “Consider the Conversation 2: Stories about Cure, Relief, and Comfort,” highlighting the value of palliative care and showing viewers real end-of-life conversations with doctors. Presented by Newton Medical Center in conjunction with partners.

Apr. 20, 7 P.M.: Elijah Brockway **senior string bass recital**, in the Administration Building chapel at Bethel College.

Apr. 22, 3 P.M.: KIPCOR wraps up a year-plus-long celebration of its 30th anniversary by **hosting author and storyteller Rafe Martin** in Bethel’s Memorial Hall. Martin is known for his children’s books on making peace and celebrating differences, and his storytelling performances for all ages. There will be a reception and book-signing following the program, with Faith & Life Bookstore in Newton offering Martin’s books for sale (or books can be pre-ordered through the store [606 N Main St; 316-283-2210; info@faithandlifebookstore.com]). KIPCOR is collaborating with Kauffman Museum on the same day, as the museum opens its newest special exhibit, with extended hours of 1-5 P.M. “Newton Kids Create: Storytelling through Art” is artwork by students from Newton USD 373, some of it inspired by Rafe Martin’s books.