

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 11 visitors): 82

Offering: *Christian Peacemaker Teams / Peace Connections* \$740

Monthly receipts to date for Local Fund (\$12,112 needed) \$5,045

Furnace/AC fund year to date (\$8,500 needed) \$6,691

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Visitation for Doris Regier@Petersen's/Newton 3-5 P.M., Apr. 15

KS Menn. Men's Chorus @ Mem Hall, BC 7 P.M., Apr. 15

Private family committal for Doris Regier @ Zion Cemetery

Memorial service for Doris Regier @ Zion 11 A.M., Apr. 16

Education Board meets 6:30 P.M., Apr. 17

Zion work night @ MCC center/NNewton 6-7:30 P.M., Apr. 18

Mowing church + parsonage: David and Josh Andres Before next Sun.

Greeters: Thurman Entz Next Sun.

Musicians: Lois / SODZ / Carol Next Sun.

Offering: Mennonite Central Committee Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Food & Thought @ DRegier/AVoth's NOON, Apr. 22

Women in Mission meets 1-4 P.M., Apr. 23

Teacher Orientation for "Peace Lab" NOON, Apr. 29

Outreach Board meets (rescheduled) 6 P.M., May 2

Deacons meet 9 A.M., May 4

Governing Council meets 7 P.M., May 14

Pentecost Sunday (communion + communion field trips) May 20

Mission Moment: Michael Unruh of Camp Mennoscah May 27

Zion leads Kidron Bethel Village **Vespers** 3 P.M., May 27

Pray This Week for...

- The family and friends of Doris Regier as they mourn her death last Sun., Apr. 8 (see funeral details above).
- youth pastors gathering for a retreat next weekend in Hesston, KS, sponsored by WDC and South Central Conference.
- Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder of Mennonite Mission Network, who ask for prayer for peace in Burkina Faso. "We feel safe, but are aware that periodic violence has become part of life."

Zion Mennonite Church

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April 15, 2018

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

*Gathering Hymn "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven" HWB #65
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude Drew Entz

Call to Worship —Mark, *Words for Worship* 1, #109

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

The Lord is holy in all his ways.

**People: God is holy, enthroned on the praises of his people.
Praise the Lord our God; holy is he.**

L: God has called us with a holy calling, to be holy and blameless before him in love, not because of what we have done, but because of his own purpose and grace.

**P: As God who called us is holy,
we ourselves must be holy in all conduct,
for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."**

**All: Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.**

Children's Time Jeanne Schmidt

Song "Our father, which art in heaven" (SS #42) Bonnie Brewer

Scripture Recitation *Matthew 6:9* Abi, Makayla and Eva

Sermon "A heavenly, hallowed name" Ray Reimer

* Response Hymn "O God in heaven" SJ #53

Offering *Western District Conference*

Offertory Joy Rutschman

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer Rosie Epp

* Sending Song “Forth in thy name” HWB #415
* Benediction
Postlude

**Please stand if you are able*

Greeters: Gary and Sharon Wedel Musician: Karen Andres
Worship Leaders: Ralph and Jeanne Schmidt
Co-Pastors: Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) and Rosie Epp (316-217-7338)

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’s pastor cluster meets Tue. afternoon; he’ll preach at Wheat State Manor worship Wed. morning; and has a WDC Executive Board meeting Sat. morning.

Congregational Announcements

A revision of the **Zion Calling Chain** was placed in church mailboxes last weekend (with a few extras on the table underneath); please inform Pastor Ray of incorrect information, or if you’d like a digital version.

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.

Apr. 23, 1-4 P.M.: **Women in Mission** will meet to tie a quilt for MCC. Please bring a snack of your choice for refreshments.

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. 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. 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. 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. 19, 7 P.M.: A public event of the “Restorative Kansas” conference is a showing of the **documentary *Healing Justice*** in Krehbiel Aud. in Bethel’s Fine Arts Center.

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, 11 A.M.: A public event of the “Restorative Kansas” conference is a **convocation presentation** by Jasmyn Elise Story and David Karp, “How Restorative Justice is informing the #MeToo and #TimesUp movements on college and university campuses,” in Krehbiel Aud. in Bethel’s Fine Arts Center.

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

Apr. 21, 10–11:30 A.M.: StoryTellers of the Great Plains is sponsoring a **book signing** at Bethel College Menn. Ch. (N. Newton) for Dorothy Nickel Friesen’s just-published book, *The Pastor Wears a Skirt*. Dorothy is a previous conference pastor for the Western District Conf. More info on www.writinglink.org.

Apr. 22, 2–3:30 P.M.: “**Stories & Tea for You & Me!**”—a tea party with stories told, read and performed by local talent at the Bruhn Coffee House, Whitewater. Tickets available in the Whitewater Library for \$5 each.

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.

Apr. 22, 2:30 P.M.: Camp Mennoscah will be **dedicating the new kitchen** (after Men and Boys Retreat). You’ll have a chance to walk through the new space and staff will be on hand to answer questions.

Apr. 22, 5 P.M.: Prairie View invites you to **Spring Vespers** featuring the music of Dunns Plus One in the PV Chapel. This is a fundraiser for Prairie View’s chaplaincy program.

Apr. 23-25: Camp Mennoscah’s **Retirees Retreat** invites retirees and interested persons of all ages for several days of renewal. Speakers will share about Vietnam, teen prison ministry, storm chasing and more! Coffee breaks will give you a chance to discuss further and enjoy a good chat. Contact Camp Mennoscah for a brochure or find it online at campmennoscah.org!

Apr. 28, 9 A.M.: Ladies of all ages: You are invited to Emmaus Ch. to **hear Hettie Brittz**, author of “*unNatural Mom.*” Hettie is an international speaker on the topic of parenting and personality styles. Join us for brunch and a time of encouragement; childcare will be provided. The event is free but please register online at www.emmausforthenations.com.

Apr. 29, 7 P.M.: “**Open Road**” **concert** in Memorial Hall at Bethel College (*note change from previously printed calendars*).

Ends Apr. 30: Camp Mennoscah will **give the following items** to the highest offer: two upright freezers, the stove/griddle with 2 convection ovens, and the double-decker conventional oven. As is and you are responsible for transporting the item(s). Contact us at office@campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290 to make an offer or get an update on the bid. Pictures will be on Facebook shortly.

May 10-11: Remington USD 206 will conduct its annual **Pre-K and Kindergarten screening** for the 2018/2019 school year, please call 620-752-3239 to register *before Apr. 20* (you must register for these screenings). After registering, a letter will be mailed with screening appointment times. More details are posted.