

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 9 visitors):	88
Offering: <i>Western District Conference</i>	\$521.63
Monthly receipts to date for Local Fund (\$12,112 needed)	\$6,116
Furnace/AC fund year to date (\$8,500 needed)	\$6,691

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Food & Thought @ DRegier/AVoth's	NOON, Apr. 22
Women in Mission meets	1-4 P.M., Apr. 23
Mowing church + parsonage: Don Regier	Before next Sun.
Mowing cemetery: Joe Friesen and Don Regier	Before next Sun.
Greeters: Kyle and Liz Rutschman family	Next Sun.
Musicians: Anna / Emma / Carol	Next Sun.
Offering: Mennonite World Conference	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Teacher Orientation for "Peace Lab"	12:30 P.M., 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
Zion serves at New Hope Shelter during wk of May 30-June 5	
"Peace Lab" for Grace Hill & Zion children @ Zion	June 1-2
Joint worship service w Grace Hill @ Zion	10:45 A.M., June 3
Community VBS @ Remington Middle School	June 4-8
Zion SS Picnic @ King Park, Hesston	June 10
Zion summer business mtg	9:45 (?) A.M., June 24

Pray This Week for...

- renewed rain to restore God's creation in our corner of the earth.
- credentialed leaders in Western District Conference attending Healthy Boundaries training next weekend in Dallas, TX.
- Janie and Neal Blough of Mennonite Mission Network, who plant Anabaptist seeds through their teaching and lecturing from their base at the Paris Menn. Center in France.

Zion Mennonite Church

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April 22, 2018

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

*Gathering Hymn "Christ who left his home in glory" HWB #283
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude Lois Friesen

Call to Worship -from Mark, *Words for Worship 1, #4*

Leader: Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the Lord.

**People: For lo, I will come and dwell in your midst,
says the Lord.**

L: Many nations shall join themselves to the Lord on that day,
and shall be my people; and I will dwell in their midst.

**P: Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.**

*All: God's kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
God's dominion endures through all generations.
The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.*

Congregational Recitation of The Lord's Prayer

Children's Time Karen Andres

Old Testament Reading Psalm 145: 1-3, 11-13

Hymn "Jesus shall reign" HWB #319

New Testament Reading Matthew 6:9-10

Sermon "A subversive prayer..." Rosie Epp

* Response Hymn "Thy will be done" SJ #57, 3x
Steven Kauder, drum

Offering	<i>Mennonite Central Committee</i>	
Offertory	“Our father, which art in heaven”	SODZ
Sharing Celebrations and Concerns		
Prayer		Ray Reimer
* Sending Song	“Sing praise to God who reigns”	HWB #59
* Benediction and Postlude		
	<i>*Please stand if you are able</i>	

Greeters: Thurman Entz Musician: Carol Klingenberg
 Worship Leaders: Dave and Karen Andres
 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 they plan to attend a vespers service this afternoon in support of Prairie View’s chaplaincy program; Ray will attend a retirement reception for Ervin Stutzman as MC USA executive director on Wed. morning, and a clergy luncheon focusing on home health care at Newton Medical center that noon.

Congregational Announcements

Approved! Zion’s Outreach Committee has been informed that a grant to build a **Free Library box** to be placed under our picnic shelter has been approved by the Remington Area Community Foundation. A carpenter to build the box will be needed shortly; volunteers may contact Kathy Preheim or Pastor Rosie.

Chimes: The Spiritual Life Board has authorized the purchase of a set of 25 chimes for approximately \$1,100 and Karen Andres has expressed an interest in continuing to organize one or more chime choirs. A number of individuals have offered to contribute to this purchase. If you would also like to make a contribution, please give your donation to the treasurer, Daryl Regier, and designate it for “Chimes.” We strongly encourage you to view this as a donation *above and beyond* the amount which you plan to give in support of our budgeted expenses. Any donations in excess of the cost of the chimes will be applied to the furnace/AC fund.

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.

June 1-3: **Peace Lab** is coming! This joint venture with Grace Hill for our children (ages 3–Grade 5) focuses on five Bible stories of peacemakers. More information coming soon. An orientation for teachers and staff is scheduled for Sun., Apr. 29, at 12:30 P.M. at Zion. Lunch is included. Questions? See June Entz or Pastor Rosie.

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.

June 4-8, 8:30–11:30 A.M.: The **Community VBS** will be held at Remington Middle School. This includes 4-year-olds through those just completed Grade 8. Register at: <whitewatercommunityvbs18.eventbrite.com>. Zion will bring 12 dozen cookies for Tue., June 5. A 30-minute VBS closing program, with outdoor games and ice cream social will be held on Fri. evening. Contact Carol Klingenberg for more information.

Other Organizations

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, 2–3:30 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, 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 Prairie View 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. 26, 6-8 P.M.: **Closing reception** for annual Student Art exhibit, Regier Gallery in Fine Arts Center at Bethel College.

Apr. 27 and 28, 7 P.M.: Hesston College will host the second annual “Pen to Paper to Performance” **playwriting festival** with a production of the eight selected original plays in the Keim Center Black Box Theatre on the Hesston College campus. Tickets will be sold at the door starting at 6:15 P.M. with doors to open at 6:30 P.M. Tickets are \$8 for adults and seniors, and \$4 for students. Seating is limited, so early arrival is encouraged. Each playwright will receive a portion of the box office earnings. Go to hesston.edu to see a list of plays and playwrights.

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. 27 and 28, 7:30 P.M.: The Bethel College theater department **presents “Clybourne Park”** by Bruce Norris, winner of the Pulitzer Prize, a revisiting of Lorraine Hansberry’s classic “A Raisin in the Sun”; in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center (ticket purchase required). A talk-back session will follow each performance. *Please note:* The play contains strong language and adult themes and is not suitable for young audiences.

Apr. 29, 3 P.M.: Bethel College **Wind Ensemble concert** in Memorial Hall.

Apr. 29, 3 P.M.: The **Newton Community Children’s Choir** presents its Spring Concert at Shalom Menn. Ch. (Newton). Free admission; donation offering to be collected.

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 5, 6 P.M.: Westen Gesell **senior recital (saxophone)**, Administration Building chapel at Bethel College.

MCC’s **SWAP (Sharing With Appalachian People)** home repair program has summer positions for job sit and meals coordinators open in both West Virginia and Kentucky. The assignments run from May 30–app. Aug. 11. Applicants should be at least 19 years old, but positions are not limited to young adults. More information about SWAP and an application are available at swap.mcc.org or by calling (606) 633-5065. A stipend, room and board and travel expenses are provided.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates)—helping children who are neglected or abused—is constantly **looking for volunteers**. Call 316-284-6909 (Harvey Co.) or 316-320-0238 (Butler Co.).