Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 2 visitors):	67
Offering: Local Fund	\$3,541.15
July receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$12,112 needed)	\$4.641.15

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Pastor Rosie shares about border learning tour 9:45 A.M., July 8

Mowing church + parsonage: Virgil Epp	Before next Sun.
Greeter(s): John and Reinhild Janzen	Next Sun.
Musician(s): Karen / Karen / Karen	Next Sun.
Offering: Western District Conference – Church Plant support	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Food & Thought meets @ S&J Kat	uder's 12:30 P.M., July 22	
Zion pool party@Peabody;potluck	follows 5:30-6:30 P.M., July 22	
Governing Council meets	[rescheduled] 7 P.M., July 24	
WDC Annual Assembly @ Tabor &	& Eden Chs July 27-28	
WDC Annual Assembly worship @Alex'wohl Ch 10 A.M., July 29		
Co-pastors on vacation	July 30/Aug. 8	
Guest speaker: Ben Kreider, of OV	M Aug. 5	
Zion serves at New Hope Shelter	during wk of Aug. 8-14	
SS Teacher Appreciation meal	5:30 P.M.[<i>corrected</i>], Aug. 12	
Spiritual Life Board meets	7 P.M., Aug. 15	
WDC Women's and Girl's Retreat@Camp Mennoscah Sept. 7-9		

Thank You...

...for your continual prayers for Thelma's recovery. She continues to improve. —Clarence and the Wedel family

Pray This Week for...

- members of the WDC Resource Commission as they meet this week to encourage congregations in faith formation, evangelism, justice, peacemaking, and youth ministry.
- Dennis Byler, recently retired from Mennonite Mission Network, now diagnosed with cancer. He underwent surgery last month. Pray for signs of God's presence and peace for the Byler family in Spain as they discern treatment protocols.

Zion Mennonite Church

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July 8, 2018 Sunday School at 9:45 A.M. Worship at 10:45 A.M.

* Gathering Hymn "Rejoice, the Lord is king!" HWB #288 Welcome, Introductions, Announcements Prelude Reinhild Janzen Call to Worship HWB #803 Children's Time Deanna Entz * Hymn HWB #334 "Christ is the world's true light" Scripture Reading Romans 13:1-7 Sermon "Pax Christi" Ray Reimer * Response Hymn "Jesus shall reign" HWB #319 Offering The Corinthian Plan – Access Offertory Reinhild Janzen Sharing Celebrations and Concerns Prayer Rosie Epp * Sending Song "View the present" SS #108 * Benediction Postlude *Please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): John and Reinhild Janzen Musician(s): Kristyn Wedel

Worship Leader(s): Deanna Entz

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.

Congregational Announcements

<u>July 8, 9:45 A.M.</u>: What's going on at the US-Mexico border? The Ed. Board has agreed that Pastor Rosie will share from her experiences on an **MCC learning tour** to AZ with those interested during the SS hour in Fellowship Hall, and take questions.

Western District delegates: As was noted during our June 24 business meeting, Zion is eligible to send 2 additional delegates (beyond the 4 which were affirmed). If you have interest, please make that known to Josh Andres, Governing Council chair by this Wed., July 11, as delegate lists must be submitted by end of week.

July 27-28: Western District Conference annual assembly is coming up (meeting at Tabor and Eden Menn. Chs.; Alexanderwohl on Sun.), and Zion will send the delegates affirmed at last Sunday's meeting; others are welcome to attend. All planning to attend (including delegates) should register promptly at: http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2018annualAssembly.

July 28, 12:30-1:30 p.m.: All women are invited to the **Western District Women in Mission annual meeting** at WDC's 2018 Annual Assembly. We will share lunch together (\$12) at Eden Menn. Ch. (401 18th Ave, Moundridge, KS). Following a brief business meeting, we will hear from Karen Mascho as well as have the opportunity to meet the incoming Executive Director of Mennonite Women USA. To register, send your name and \$12 to WDC, PO Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117 by July 13.

July 22, 5:30-6:30 P.M.: Zion's Outreach Board is sponsoring a **pool party** at the Peabody swimming pool. A potluck will follow at the park; bring something to share, lawn chairs... and a friend!

July 29, 10 A.M. [note shift from our worship time] Zion Menn. Ch. attendees are encouraged to join the Western District Conference **assembly worship** at Alexanderwohl Menn. Ch. (rural Goessel); there will be no Sunday School or worship in Elbing on this day.

Other Organizations

July 10, 6:30-8:00 P.M.: Harvey Co. Circle of Hope is in need of 5-7 new **community volunteers/Allies** willing to walk alongside families working their way towards stability. Please contact Peace Connections for more info (316-284-0000) or attend our upcoming information night at 1* Un. Methodist Ch. (801 N Main, Newton).

<u>July 15-21</u>: Camp Mennoscah has an **urgent need for a nurse** for this week of camp. Please contact us at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org. We'd love to have a nurse for the full week, but let us know if you'd be able to do a partial week.

July 17, 7-8:30 P.M.: Julie Hart will be giving a presentation at **KIPCOR** on her recent book: *Pathways to Pacifism and Antiwar Activism among US Veterans: the role of moral identity in personal transformation*, exploring the question—How do significant changes from pro war to antiwar commitment occur? She will also discuss recommendations for the church based on the study.

<u>July 21-24</u>: Whitestone and Hesston Menn. Chs., both in Hesston, KS, are partnering together to offer a series of events—a concert, worship, evening workshop sessions, intergenerational miniretreat—aimed at helping all ages to grow their faith. **Bryan Moyer Suderman**—an itinerant singer-songwriter and Bible teacher from Kitchener, Ontario—will help us to explore and use a variety of tools for cultivating faith in the soil of our everyday lives. See poster on bulletin board for details.

Aug. 12, 6:30 P.M.: Camp Mennoscah's **Annual Camp Sing** will take place at Hesston Menn. Ch. We'll have popcorn, our beloved generic pop, singing, and many camp friends. It's a time to rejoice in all the good friends and good times at Camp Mennoscah!

<u>Sept. 15</u>: The **Flatlander Bicycle Ride**, supporting Mennonite Central Committee-Central States, is coming up. See https://mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride for info. Preferably pre-register by Sept. 1.

Nov. 7-17: Join MCC on a Learning Tour to Explore the Root Causes of Migration in Guatemala and Honduras, which are countries from which the US, and increasingly Mexico, are receiving the majority of its immigrants. MCC seeks to educate and expose Learning Tour participants to the realities that many people face that result in migration, internally and to foreign countries. Approximate cost will be \$700 (plus airfare). For more info or to sign up for this trip please contact chrislandes@mcc.org.

You're invited to use the Mennonite Church USA's **Journey** Forward "Pathways" study guide (available at: mennoniteusa.org/pathways) with your Sunday School class or other group. Join in the Journey Forward churchwide renewal process and explore and highlight ways that God is working in your life and congregation. A response survey is coming soon.

The Panel on Sexual Abuse Prevention has created a document entitled "Prevention and Response: **Sexual Abuse and Non-Credentialed Individuals**," which is now available digitally. In English: http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/prevention-and-response-sexual-abuse.

Critical need: Since 1952, MCC has been blessed to own and operate the only known mobile cannery in the world. A crucial part of the mobile cannery has always been MCC service workers, who donate 2 years of their time. In recent years, it has become a considerable challenge finding service workers willing to fill this role. It is noted with urgency that three of the four canner operator positions are currently vacant... and the next canning season begins in October. Do you know any single men looking for an enriching service opportunity who are at least 21 years old? Ideal applicants would have mechanical aptitude and be willing to obtain their Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with training provided by MCC. It is a distinct possibility, if these positions cannot be filled, disruptions to the coming canning schedule may become unavoidable. You are strongly encouraged to share this need in any way you feel it is appropriate.

Reminder: Doors at the church have been found propped open or not latched several times; remember to check when you leave.