

## *Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

**Worship attendance** (including 6 visitors): 61  
**Offering:** *Western District Conf.–Church Plant support* \$507.00  
July receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$12,112 needed) \$7,966.15

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**Food & Thought** meets @ S&J Kauder'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  
Mowing church + parsonage: Daryl Regier Before next Sun.  
Greeter(s): [none: we worship at Alexanderwohl Menn. Ch.] Next Sun.  
Musician(s): [none: we worship at Alexanderwohl Menn. Ch.] Next Sun.  
Offering: Western District Conference [switch from June 17] Next Sun.

## *Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events*

[No SS/worship at Zion Menn. Ch.] July 29  
**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 OVM Aug. 5  
Zion serves at **New Hope Shelter** during wk of Aug. 8-14  
**Deacons** meet 9 A.M., Aug. 10  
**SS Teacher Appreciation meal** 5:30 P.M.[corrected], Aug. 12  
**Spiritual Life Board** meets 7 P.M., Aug. 15  
**WDC Women's and Girl's Retreat**@Camp Mennoscah Sept. 7-9

## *Pray This Week for...*

- Solomon Virgil Epp, born to Matthew and Danae Epp on Sat., July 14, 2018, weighing 9 lbs. 3 1/2 oz. and 22 inches long. Grandparents are Virgil and Nadine.
- Clarence Wedel; as the bulletin was printed, it was expected he would be moving from Newton Med Center to Kidron-Bethel.
- the fellowship, wisdom and joy of the Spirit to be with all who gather for WDC's annual assembly this coming weekend.
- Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer and their four children, who leave Ecuador this month to begin the North American portion of their two-way mission through Mennonite Mission Network.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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*July 22, 2018*

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

\* Gathering Hymn "The church's one foundation" HWB #311  
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship from WW1, #105

Leader: We come together as the family of faith.

**People: We assemble to honor the living God.**

L: Through Christ we become God's holy household.

**P: In Christ we are bonded together to be God's people.**

L: Our worship is united into oneness by the Holy Spirit.

**P: In communion with the Holy Spirit,  
let us celebrate our unity.**

Children's Time Lisa Scott  
\* Hymn "How good a thing it is" HWB #310

Scripture Reading Acts 15:1-35  
Sermon "Tensions and transformations" Ray Reimer  
\* Response Hymn "Filled with the Spirit's power" HWB #289

Offering *Mennonite Church USA*  
Offertory

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer time, opening with responsive prayer of confession:

Leader: Holy One, we come to you as part of the body of Christ. Hear our confession:

**People: We belittle those who disagree with us,  
and seek the company of those who agree with us.**

L: We believe that our way is right and their way is wrong.

**P: We fail to have the patience, the energy, the courage,  
the faithfulness, to seek your way together.**

**All: God of peace, forgive us.**

Continuing with prayers of intercession... Rosie Epp

\* Sending Song "Heart with loving heart united" HWB #420

\* Benediction and Postlude

*\*Please stand if you are able*

Greeter(s): Joe and Lois Friesen

Musician(s): Carol Klingenberg

Worship Leader(s): Lisa Scott

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 will be preparing for the delegate session(s) of WDC's annual assembly, which he will moderate on Sat. They will be on vacation from July 30 through Aug. 8; please contact one of the deacons (Annette, Lillian or Ann) for pastoral care.

### *Congregational Announcements*

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 27-28: **Western District Conference annual assembly** is coming up (meeting at Tabor and Eden Menn. Chs.; Alexanderwohl on Sun.), Details at: <<http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2018annualAssembly>>.

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, nor bulletin for the week. The principle resource person for the assembly—Bryan Moyer Suderman—will be preaching.

Aug. 5: **Ben Kreider from Offender/Victim Ministries** will join us for the morning. Adult classes are invited to gather during the S.S. hour if they choose, and Ben will preach during worship.

### *Other Organizations*

July 21-24: 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 mini-retreat—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 cultivate faith in the soil of our lives. See poster on bulletin board for details.

Aug. 3-5: **Young Adult Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah! All young adults (18 years old and older) are invited to spend a few days at Camp Mennoscah, doing favorite camp activities and luxuriating in nature and the camp community. Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) and pick your own level of scholarship!

Aug. 12, 2-4 P.M.: Peace Menn. Ch. (615 Lincoln, Lawrence, KS 66044) invites you to join us for an **open house** as we celebrate the completion of a years-long process of praying, planning, designing and expanding our building. There will be a short dedication ceremony at 3 P.M., tours of the building, historic photos, lovely classical music by Rebecca Bell and Greg Allen, and refreshments. Guests will also notice the floor labyrinth in the new sanctuary! Questions? contact [peacemennonite@gmail.com](mailto:peacemennonite@gmail.com).

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

Sept. 7-9: Be Brave, Be Bold, Be You! The schedule and registration forms for the **2018 Women & Girls Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah are now available on the bulletin board. Rachel Ringenberg Miller, pastor of Shalom Menn. Ch. (Newton), will be the featured speaker. Many interesting and fun seminars are planned, along with plenty of time to relax and connect with nature and friends. This retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. Registration forms are *due* Aug. 27.