Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including no visitors):	69
Offering: Local Fund	\$13,022.36
August receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$12,112 needed)	\$13,022.36

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Governing Council meets	7 P.M., Sept. 10
Mowing church + parsonage: Klingenberg / Duerksen	Before next Sun.
Mowing cemetery: Thurman and Jeremy Entz	Before next Sun.
Greeter(s): Mark Unruh	Next Sun.
Worship Leader(s): Steph Entz	Next Sun.
Musician(s): instrumental ensemble / Karen	Next Sun.
Offering: Western District Conference	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Women in Mission meet	1-4 P.M., Sept. 17
Chime Choir practice	6:30 P.M., Sept. 19
Zion women have bridal shower for Jenn Scott	2 P.M., Sept. 23
Zion fall hot dog roast/picnic ; bring side dish	6 P.M., Sept. 26
Wed. evening programming resumes for fall	Oct. 3
Worldwide Communion Sunday	Oct. 7
Wedding of Jennifer Scott & Brandon Kindell	4 P.M., Oct. 20
Deacons meet @ Zion	9 A.M., Nov. 2
Zion retreat @ Camp Mennoscah	Nov. 10-11
Zion Harvest Mission Fest	Nov. 18

Pray This Week for...

- those experiencing transitions in life at present.
- Western District Conference congregations and groups participating in the Mennonite Church USA Journey Forward process, as they engage the Renewed Commitments document through study, worship and feedback.
- David and Sophie Lapp Jost of Mennonite Mission Network, who are beginning an assignment in Nazareth, Israel. Pray for them as they visit hospital patients, teach English, and assist with communication projects.

Zion Mennonite Church

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

* Gathering Hymn "All things bright and beautiful" HWB #156

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude SODZ

Call to Worship SJ #133

Children's Time Jeanne Schmidt

* Hymn "Let all creation dance" SS #122

Scripture Reading Isaiah 34:8-10; 35:1-7

Sermon "All nature sings" Rosie Epp

* Response Hymn "There's a wideness in God's mercy" HWB #145

Offering Mennonite College(s) (donor specification)

Offertory SODZ

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer Ray Reimer

* Sending Song "You shall go out with joy" HWB #427

* Benediction and Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Greeter(s): Thurman Entz Worship Leaders: Ralph and Jeanne Schmidt Musician(s): Karen Andres and instrumental ensemble

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, and he'll join the Remington area pastors for lunch on Thur. Rosie presents regarding her trip to the southern US border at First Menn. Ch. (Halstead) Wed. evening.

Congregational Announcements

<u>Sept. 17, 1-4 P.M.</u>: **Women in Mission** will meet. We will be trying a quilt for MCC. Please bring a snack of your choice.

Sept. 23, 2 P.M.: Attention ladies of Zion: You are invited to a **bridal shower** at church for Jennifer Scott. She is registered at Target and Bed, Bath, and Beyond. We hope to see you there.

<u>Sept. 26, 6 P.M.:</u> You are invited to our **annual fall hotdog roast** by the Zion pavilion. Please bring a side dish, lawn chairs, roasting sticks, lawn games, and a friend.

Oct. 20, 4 P.M.: All adults from Zion are invited to the **wedding of Jennifer Scott and Brandon Kindell** at Zion. Dinner and dancing to follow at Son Wray Ranch in rural Newton beginning at 5:30 P.M. The couple is registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and Target. Please RSVP on <Theknot.com> by Oct. 7, 2018.

Nov. 10-11: Mark your calendars for our **Zion retreat** at Camp Mennoscah. We have reserved the main campus and look forward to worshipping together that weekend. More details to come.

Thank You ...

...for the caring remarks and cards concerning our mother's passing.

-Peggy and Don Regier

...for your care and concern for Silas during his hospital stay. Your prayers were appreciated and the meals to our home were a blessing. Thank you too for celebrating with us on the years we've been together. Only because of God's plan and His amazing grace! May He bless you for your kindnesses.

-Silas and Edna Stucky and family

Other Organizations

Sept. 9, 3 P.M.: **KIPCOR Film Series** presents two short documentaries on immigration and detention in the United States, *To Breathe Free* (focusing on a Syrian family fleeing the war) and *Locked in a Box* (about immigration detention facilities), in Krehbiel Auditorium at Bethel College. Talk-back follows with Harold Schlechtweg, International Rescue Committee (Wichita), and Sandrine Lisk, Immigration Law Office (Wichita).

Newton Et Cetera Shop is hiring! 1) an evening clerk & housewares manager for 30-40 hours/week. In cooperation with the larger management team, this person receives and processes donations; trains and supervises volunteers; prepares volunteer projects and work spaces; helps manage the sales floor; and participates in regular system evaluation and store planning. 2) a clothing sorter and receiver for 12-16 hours/week. Both full job descriptions and applications are available at the store (619 N. Main in Newton), at newtonetceterashop.com, or via e-mail at generalmanager@newtonetceterashop.com. Applications are due Sept. 10, 2018, and can be submitted in person or by e-mail.

Sept. 10, 11 A.M. and 7 P.M.: R. Mark Shipp, OT professor at Austin Graduate School of Theology, will speak on "**The Timeless Psalms**" as part of Exaudio: The Tabor Lectureship in Vocation and Service. Each presentation will be accompanied by the Concert Choir, performing fresh worship pieces based on the Psalms, in Richert Auditorium, Shari Flaming Center for the Arts.

<u>Sept. 12, 5-8 P.M.:</u> 20% of all sales at the Newton **Wendy's** will be donated to New Hope Shelter, Inc. as a **fundraiser** (last year, through your similar support, NHS received over \$370).

<u>Sept. 15, 8 A.M.</u>: The annual **Flatlander Bicycle Ride**—a benefit for Mennonite Central Committee—is coming up soon! Rides of 35, 45, and 65 miles are planned, as well as a family ride of 8-16 miles; all start from the North Newton MCC Center. This year's project supports water systems in Guatemala. For more info, to register, or donate, see the leaflet on the bulletin board.

- <u>Sept. 13, 11 A.M.–6 P.M. EDT</u>: **Seminary Virtual Fair**: Want to learn more about Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary but can't make it to our Elkhart campus? At this free online event, you can get answers to your questions about AMBS from faculty, students and admissions staff. Register today! - ambs.edu/visit<.
- Sept. 14-15, 9 A.M.-4 P.M.: Help us **finish the playground** at Camp Mennoscah! The new slides and cable climber for The Whale playground have arrived and we need your help during upcoming work days. Volunteer for a day or half a day! Contact camp at 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org.
- <u>Sept. 15</u>: The 28th annual **Thresher Classic Golf Tournament** at the award-winning Sand Creek Station course in Newton. Bethel's wider church community is invited to participate in the tournament—by playing, volunteering or donating an item or service as a door a prize or for a silent auction. Contact Brad at bkohlman@bethelks.edu or 316-284-5357.
- Sept. 17, 20: M-2 Prison Visitation Volunteer Opportunity. Jesus calls us to visit the prisoner! At Hutchinson Correctional Facility (HCF) there are over 50 inmates who are waiting for a visit. Through Offender/Victim Ministries' M-2 Program, you have the opportunity to visit an inmate one evening a month. New volunteer training for M-2 will be on Mon., Sept. 17 at 12 P.M. at HCF or Thur., Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. at Bethel College Menn. Ch. (North Newton). For more info please contact (316) 281 5244 or

 -ben@offendervictimministries.org>.
- Sept. 21-25: Camp Mennoscah is 70 years old! Come out to camp on Sun., Sept. 23 at 5 P.M., as we dedicate The Whale playground and celebrate the camp's 70th anniversary at the annual meeting to follow! These events are part of the Work & Play Camp Sept. 21-25. Register online at <campmennoscah.org> to let us know you're coming; a brochure is on the bulletin board.
- <u>Sept. 25, 7 P.M.</u>: Weldon Schloneger on "My Encounter with the **Photos of Rodolphe Petter**," sponsored by the Friends of the MLA at Bethel College; at Kauffman Museum.

- Oct. 6: Fall Festival at Bethel College! Donations needed for baked goods for the Market in the Round: 1 dozen zwieback, peppernuts (2 cups in ziplock bag), cinnamon rolls, cookies, bars, brownies, etc). Baked goods can be dropped off at Luyken Fine Arts Center on Fri. evening (10/5) or Sat. morning (10/6). The BC Women's Association Council is seeking donations of pies for the Pie by the Slice Booth, hoping to reach our goal of 70 pies! Pies can be brought to the Student Center on Fri. (10/5) between 4-7 P.M., or by 9 A.M. to the Pie Booth Sat. morning (10/6). 9" disposable tins are suggested, and please, no cream pies! The BC Women's Association will again feature a Silent Auction in the FAC Lobby, with bids closing promptly at 1 P.M. on Sat.
- Oct. 8-10: Become a **Doctrine of Discovery trainer**! Register now for the training taking place at MCC in North Newton at https://mcc_us.formstack.com/forms/dod_train_the_trainers. For more info contact criticalittlewolf@mcc.org.
- Oct. 26-27: As part of WDC's Year of Evangelism, consider attending **Telling the Jesus Story**, a seminar focused on testimony, at Iglesia Luz del Evangelio (Dallas, TX). The keynote speaker will be John Garland, pastor of San Antonio Menn. Ch. A van from the Newton, KS area is an option. More info and registration at: mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/.
- Mennonite Disaster Service is **seeking weekly volunteers** for Oct., Nov. and Dec. 2018! Join us as individuals or groups to help those affected by disasters. We are working in the following locations: Lake County, CA; Pine Ridge, SD; Victoria County, TX; La Grange, TX; Fort Myers, FL; West Virginia; Williams Lake, BC; and Puerto Rico. Serve with a positive and Christ-like heart using your trade skills or learning new skills on the job. To serve with us, call 1-800-241-8111 or emailing dfrey@mds.mennonite.net. For more info about our current projects, visit mds.mennonite.net.
- <u>Jan. 12-22, 2019</u>: Bethel college is offering a **10-day trip to Chiapas, Mexico** for alumni, community members, providing exposure to both current Mexican and prior Mayan cultures. A bit more info is posted above the photocopier, or for more details contact <kswartley@bethelks.edu>; a deposit is due *by Sept. 16*.