

## Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

<b>Worship attendance</b> (including 3 visitors):	c.65
<b>Offering:</b> Zion Scholarship Fund	\$500
June receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$12,198 needed)	\$4,052.88

## This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

**Food & Thought** meets@B&ASchowengerdt's 12:30 P.M., June 16  
**Women in Mission** meet 1-4 P.M., June 18

Mowing church + parsonage: Klingenberg/Duerksen Before next Sun.  
Greeter(s): Jim and Gladys Preheim Next Sun.  
Worship Leader(s): Kathy Preheim and family Next Sun.  
Musician(s): Carol / Carol / Carol Next Sun.  
Offering: Mennonite Mission Network Next Sun.

## Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

**Zion summer business mtg** 11:45 A.M., June 23  
**MCUSA Biannual Assembly @ KC, KS** July 2-6  
**Grief Support Group** meets 4 P.M., July 7  
Zion serves at **New Hope Shelter** during wk of July 24-30  
**WDC Annual Assembly @ BC** (Newton, KS) July 26-27  
**Deacons** meet 9 A.M., Aug. 7  
**Governing Council** meets 7 P.M., Aug. 12

## Pray This Week for...

- Western District Conference members who spend time at Camp Mennoscah this summer as campers, counselors, staff and volunteers.
- transitions occurring at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary; David W. Boshart was announced this week as the candidate of choice for AMBS's next president. See <<https://www.ambs.edu/news-events/news/1661032/candidate-of-choice-for-president-announced>>.
- youth groups as they experience their faith in new ways in urban settings through the Discover program of DOOR, a Mennonite Mission Network partner.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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June 16, 2019

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

## Focus Statement:

*All of creation is God's gift.  
After creating the earth and its creatures,  
God blessed and called all parts of creation good.  
Humankind is made in God's image... to care for creation.*

\* Gathering Hymn "I sing the mighty power of God" HWB #46

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

From *Leader* (Summer, 2013)

*Leader: All seeing God,*

North: who delights in the diversity of creation,

**All: open the eyes of our heart as we worship**

South: that we may find ourselves renewed and refreshed,  
ready to share your goodness with the world around us.

**All: In the name of Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.**

Children's Time Video: "The Creation" James Weldon Johnson  
From *God's Trombones* (Viking Press, 1927); narrated by Wintley Phipps

\* Hymn "For the beauty of the earth" HWB #89

Scripture Reading *Genesis 1.1-2.3*

Sermon "Caring for creation" Ray Reimer

Response Hymn "I was there to hear your borning cry" SJ #89

Offering *Western District Conference* Offertory

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns Ray Reimer

Prayer, beginning with unison confession From *Leader* (Summer, 2013)

Creating God, we come with thankfulness for the many places  
you have walked with us this week:

In the grocery store and on the soccer field,  
at the computer and at table with family and friends.

We confess there are many times we did not see you.

We ignored your efforts to turn our eyes heavenward.

We justified time spent on useless activities,

We worked at breakneck speed and missed opportunities  
to see and interact with the person next to us.

Lord, we confess our blindness

and ask for your unfailing love to forgive us

and set us again on the path to seeing each other

and the world through your eyes.

\* Sending Song "Praise, I will praise you, Lord" HWB #76

\* Benediction and Postlude

*\*Please stand if you are able*

Greeter(s): Ralph and Jeanne Schmidt

Musician(s): Kristyn Wedel

Worship Leader(s): Kathy Preheim and family

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 Rosie continues on a 10-day trip to the Ukraine with the MCC US board; Ray will make a quick trip back and forth to Elkhart, IN on Tue./Wed. to help Renee move to Newton.

**Weekly Creation Care exercise suggestion:** Experience God through the beauty around us with a session in *visio divina*, which invites viewers into a slow, careful interaction with the divine through images and other visual forms, from SaeJin Lee on the Menno Snapshots blog: <mennoniteusa.org/language-of-the-soul>.

### *Congregational Announcements*

June 18, 1-4 P.M.: **Women in Mission** will meet to tie a quilt for MCC. Please bring a snack of your choice.

**Five delegates are needed** to represent the Zion congregation at the upcoming Western District Conference annual assembly on the Bethel College campus, July 26-27. If interested, please contact Josh Andres before June 22, in order that we might affirm delegates at our summer business meeting.

July 7, 4 P.M.: **Grief support group** continues at Zion. Join others who are experiencing losses due to death of a loved one.

### *Other Organizations*

**Opening:** Mennonite Central Committee-Central States is hiring for a *Young Adult Program Coordinator*, to start on Aug. 5 within the 16-state Central States region. The Young Adult Program Coordinator coordinates and recruits for MCC Central States' young adult programs, as well as connects with Central States' young adult alumni (especially using social media), and creates opportunities for young adults from the Central States region to serve and develop leadership skills. The full job description is at <serve.mcc.org>. Contact <heidhuber@mcc.org> for more info. Application close date: July 5, 2019.

June 17-July 22, 9:30 A.M.: It's time to sign up for **Summer 2019 Story Hour** at Western District Library! Story hour is a wonderful way for adults and children ages 3-8 to have book adventures. Stories, crafts, and more led by Marjie Warkentine, with the theme "Down on the Farm." Contact: <crlib@mennowdc.org> 316-283-6300; or enroll at <https://forms.gle/AnSemnebkm8xr8gg6>.

June 20, 4-8 P.M.: **World Refugee Day celebration** at Hilltop Community Center (1329 S Terrace, Wichita), featuring entertainment, cuisine, etc. RSVP to Annette.Kazungu@st-francis.org; for more info, contact 316-977-9276.

June 21 (Fri.), 9 A.M.-5 P.M.; June 22 (Sat.), 8 A.M.-4 P.M.: Join the fun at the **MCC Comforter Mini Blitz** at MCC in North Newton! If you can tie a knot, then you can certainly tie a comforter. All ages are welcome; drop in or stay for the day! You're welcome to bring a snack to share and if you stay through lunch, you'll need a sack lunch, too. Contact <katemast@mc.org> for more info.

June 23, 3-4 P.M.: Jim Kauffman, grandson of Kauffman Museum founder Charles Kauffman, will **sign copies of his new book, *Kauffman: Three Merchants of Integrity***, at Kauffman Museum. This 2018 family biography tells the story of Kauffman's father (Lloyd), grandfather (Charles) and great-grandfather (Jacob). Books will be for sale at the event. For more info, contact <asa@bethelks.edu> or 316-283-1612.

June 26, 5-7 P.M.: You're invited to our annual **Volunteer Appreciation event** at Mennonite Central Committee in North Newton! We'll celebrate all the work our volunteers do by enjoying an indoor summer picnic together.

June 28, 4-6 P.M.: Kauffman Museum will host an opening reception for a **temporary exhibit, "Walk A Mile,"** an expressive arts project created by EmberHope Youthville's residential children. It will be on display free of charge in the museum's outer lobby from June 29-July 22; more of the exhibit will be displayed at Carriage Factory Gallery, Newton, June 20-July 11, and the entire collection will be at Mark Arts, Wichita, Aug. 17-Sept. 14. For info, contact <mreinschmidt@bethelks.edu> or 316-283-1612.

June 29, 7 P.M.: **The Walking Roots Band**, from Harrisonburg, VA, will offer a concert at Whitestone Menn. Ch. (Hesston), prior to some members leading worship music at MC USA Assembly (MennoCon '19) in Kansas City. All are invited. A free will offering will be collected to help pay travel and tour expenses.

June 30, 7-8:30 P.M.: You are invited to Peace Menn. Ch. (Lawrence) to hear Pauline Sharp's **presentation about Kanza history** and the Kanza Heritage Society. This presentation is hosted by the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition (for more info see <<https://dofdmenno.org>>). Refreshments will be provided.

July 1-6: Like working with children (especially infants and toddlers)? **Volunteers are needed** for the Children's Program for MC USA Convention in Kansas City. Find out more by e-mailing <ReneeEReimer@gmail.com>.