

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including 1 visitor):	63
Offering: <i>Mennonite Church USA</i>	\$511
<i>MCC immigration detainee care kits</i>	\$400
July receipts for Local Fund (\$12,198 needed)	\$19,400.13

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Grief Support Group meets	4 P.M., Aug. 4
Zion swim party @ Peabody pool; potluck after	5 P.M., Aug. 4
Chime choir practice	6:30 P.M., Aug. 6
Deacons meet	9 A.M., Aug. 7
Mowing church + parsonage: Thurman Entz	Before next Sun.
Mowing cemetery: Thurman and Jeremy Entz	Before next Sun.
Greeter(s): Keith and Dianne Wiebe	Next Sun.
Worship Leader(s): Karen Andres	Next Sun.
Musician(s): Josh / Josh / Carol / chime choir	Next Sun.
Offering: Camp Mennoscah	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Hymn sing during worship	10:45 A.M., Aug. 11
Teacher Appreciation meal @ Zion	5:30 P.M., Aug. 11
Governing Council meets	7 P.M., Aug. 12
Spiritual Life Board meets	7 P.M., Aug. 14
Potluck/grocery shower for newlywed couples	NOON, Aug. 18
Celebration/lunch for Rosie's 40th ordination anniversary	Aug. 25
Food & Thought meets at ...(?)	12:30 P.M., Sept. 15

Pray This Week for...

- Martha Wedel, unable to worship with us regularly as she resides at Kansas Christian Home; she'll be reflecting this week on the anniversary of her wedding to Wilmer in 1957.
- WDC congregations in pastoral transition, as they seek the Holy Spirit's guidance in times of change and uncertainty.
- Marisa Smucker, who has been working for Mennonite Mission Network's Church Relations team, and began serving as the Mennonite Voluntary Service program director in June. Pray that God will provide wisdom, energy and joy for Marisa as she serves in this capacity.

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August 4, 2019

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

* Gathering Hymn	"All people that on earth do dwell"	HWB #42
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements		
Prelude	"Glory bound"	Allie, Kristy, Carol, Margaret, Bonnie, Karen
Call to Worship	<i>Psalms 24:1-10</i>	HWB #815
Children's Time		Bonnie Brewer
* Hymn	"In the cross of Christ"	HWB #566
Scripture Reading	<i>Colossians 1:15-20</i>	
Sermon	"Being earth keepers"	Rosie Epp
* Response Hymn	"Praise with joy the world's Creator"	SJ #16
Offering	<i>Local Fund</i>	Offertory
Sharing Celebrations and Concerns		Ray Reimer
Prayer, beginning with unison confession		Adapted from <i>Creation Care</i>

Dear God, you are the lover of the cosmos.
Your love, your patterns, your forgiveness, and your complete peace cannot be fathomed, yet they are sustaining.
This assurance comforts us, for we live in a broken world.
The changes in the climate are vivid reminders of our impact on creation.
We confess that our consumptive lifestyle causes this decay.
Our practices had kept us from extending neighborliness around the globe.
We are grateful for the gift of Christ, who is our peace.
Place the cloak of Christ on us so we can extend his peace and reconciliation around the world.

* Sending Song	"Great is the Lord"	HWB #87
* Benediction and Postlude		

**Please stand if you are able*

Greeter(s): David and Karen Andres

Musician(s): Karen Andres

Worship Leader(s): Bonnie Brewer

Co-Pastors: Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) and Rosie Epp (316-217-7338)

All are invited to linger after worship today to enjoy some fruit and cookies, in recognition of Lois Friesen's birthday!

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 meets with a sound technician re our PA system in the sewing room. Ray and Rosie plan to attend Bethel College Menn. Ch. next Sun., to be at Renee's installation / licensure.

Weekly Creation Care exercise suggestion: What one thing can you do to make the earth better?

Congregational Announcements

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

Aug. 4, 5 P.M.: A free **Zion swim party** at the Peabody City Pool from 5-6 P.M. We'll plan to have a group potluck afterwards in the park; bring food, tableware (cups, plates, spoons and forks) and lawn chairs. We will provide drinks.

Aug. 11, 10:45 A.M.: **Zion hymn sing** during worship. Please return the questionnaires identifying your favorite hymns to Karen Andres *by Aug. 7*, so she can prepare.

Aug. 11, 5:30 P.M.: Children's teachers please mark your calendars for a **Teacher Appreciation Meal** at the church on this evening for all Sunday School and Wednesday evening teachers. This will also be a time for sharing and reviewing Safe Sanctuaries.

Aug. 18: NOON: **Wedding shower** for Matt/Megan and Andrew/April! The congregation is invited to a joint grocery shower for the newlyweds following church. Please help provide a potluck meal of main dishes, salads, and sides. The Overflow Class will be responsible for dessert (a sundae bar).

Aug. 25: 40 years, that's how long Pastor Rosie has been an **ordained pastor!** Zion will celebrate this milestone on this Sunday with a presentation on women in ministry by Dorothy Nickel Friesen during the SS hour, as well as a celebrative worship service with Michelle Armster preaching. There will be other sharing as well, and a taco bar lunch. Please sign-up to bring an item.

Other Organizations

Aug. 8, 6:30 P.M.: Everence will hold a **retirement planning workshop** at the Everence office (3179 N. Main St., North Newton), covering when to begin taking Social Security benefits, risks that can impact your savings, and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. Those interested in attending can register by contacting 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294, or <michelle.ramer@everence.com>.

Aug. 11, 5:45 P.M.: We're having our annual **Camp Sing celebration** of a stunning summer of Camp Mennoscah youth camps at Hoffnungsau Menn. Ch. (rural Inman). We'll start with a storytime from 5:45-6:05 P.M., followed by joyous singing at 6:30 P.M. After joyfully worshipping, we'll share in popcorn, pop and conversation. All are invited, whatever your age or skill!

Aug. 15, NOON: **MCC Lunch & Learn:** Come hear from participants who recently went on the MCC South Texas Borderlands Learning Tour share about their experiences. Lunch is served at noon; the presentation starts shortly after. A suggested donation of \$10 is welcome to help cover the cost of lunch. Please RSVP *by Aug. 12* to <patsydirksen@mcc.org> or 316.283.2720.

Aug. 23, 8:30-11:30 A.M.: One of Southern Hills Menn. Ch.'s outreach ministries in Topeka is active membership in an interfaith ministry called JUMP (Justice and Unity Ministry Project). This year their focus is an effort to **reform Payday Loan regulations** in state statutes. The group will gather in Topeka at Grace Episcopal Ch. (701 SW. 8th, Topeka) to discuss and formulate advocacy strategies. Individuals from Mennonite congregations across KS are invited. For details, communicate with <dougpennt@sbcglobal.net> or <topeka.jump@gmail.com>.

Sept. 1-2: The theme for the **Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah is “Living Peacefully!” Come support each other and enjoy fellowship, music, and worship. This retreat is for individuals affected by mental illness, including family and friends. Register online at <campmennoscah.org>.

Sept. 6-8: Come join us at the **2019 Women & Girls Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah. *You* choose what you want to do: Bible study, singing, art, yoga, mental health and spirituality, swimming, refugee reflections, games, or free time! Friday night we will decorate cookies! The schedule and registration forms are available at <<http://mennowdc.org/women-girls-retreat/>> or on the bulletin board. Tammy Duvenal Unruh, debate/forensics coach from Newton, KS will speak on the topic of being Fearless (II Tim. 1:7). This retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. Please register *by Aug. 26*.

Sept. 7, 9 A.M.-4:30 P.M.: Tabor College is offering a **Worship Arts Seminar** featuring “Presence Worship.” Registration (including admission to the *For All Seasons* evening concert is \$25/person or \$125/group. Register online at <tabor.edu/WorshipArtsSeminar>.

Nov. 21-23: Save the date for the Bethel College **Worship and Arts Symposium**, “Foretaste of a Reconciled Heaven in a Broken World,” featuring David M. Bailey and Urban Doxology. See poster on bulletin board.

Thank you!... to all from Zion who served at *New Hope Shelter* this last week, helping members of our communities who are in need. During our week of volunteering, 9 new residents entered the shelter, 4 residents moved into their own housing, and 3 residents left for unknown locations. 11 residents were already employed, 1 gained employment, 3 were on disability. New Hope served 11 single men and 6 single women and 3 family units consisting of 3 moms and 1 father and 5 children—and also dispensed 11 food boxes to people from the community in need. Together with First Menn. Ch. (Newton), we provided 7 evening meals, evening volunteers for 7 nights and overnight volunteers for 2 nights, totaling 124 hours of service.