

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (including no visitors):	58
Offering: Mennonite Church USA	\$...
Dec. receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$12,284 needed) (includes \$5,000 contribution for cemetery fence)	\$...

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Epiphany communion ; “field trips” in P.M.	Jan. 5
Wed. evening activities	Jan. 8
Supper	5:45 P.M.
Boards meet to reorganize	6:15 P.M.
Zion cong. mtg. for reports & projects	7 P.M.
Governing Council meets following cong. mtg.	c.8 P.M.
Activity leaders / meal: ... / June & Allie	This Wed.
Greeter(s): David and Karen Andres	Next Sun.
Worship Leader(s): Carol Klingenberg and family	Next Sun.
Musician(s): Reinhild / Reinhild / Karen	Next Sun.
Offering: Wheat State Manor	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Gideon presentation as part of worship	10:45 A.M., Jan. 12
Deacons meet	9 A.M., Jan. 14
Regular Wed. evening activities resume	Jan. 15
Food & Thought @ S&J Kauder's	12:30 P.M., Jan. 19
Joint Zion/Grace Hill Bible lectures/presentations	Feb. 9

Pray This Week for...

- Kara Klingenberg and colleagues, having left for a medical mission trip in the Dominican Republic earlier this weekend. See additional “thank you” below.
- youth in WDC congregations, and the leaders who mentor, teach and accompany them in their faith journey.
- Deb Byler of Mennonite Mission Network, who has just returned to Guatemala after 3 months on North American Assignment. Pray for her as she continues to work with Mennonite women in Bible studies, trauma healing, and leadership training.

Zion Mennonite Church

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January 5, 2020: Epiphany Sunday
Sunday School at 9:45 A.M. Worship at 10:45 A.M.

* Gathering Hymn “Bright and glorious is the sky” HWB #219
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
Prelude

Call to Worship From *Leader* (Winter, 2019)

Leader: Oh God, our God, you cry out to us.

**People: Asking, when will you see the light that I am, the
grace I have extended to all people, the dance out of the
darkness and into righteousness to which I invited you?**

L: Can we see that in you we are transformed, unable to go
back the way we have known?

All: God, what are we waiting for?

Special Music “We three kings” Men’s Ensemble

Children’s Time Allie Klingenberg

Scripture Reading *Matt. 2:1-12*

Responsive Reading *based on Isa. 60:1-6* From *Leader* (Winter, 2019)

Leader: Lift us your eyes and look around.

People: Arise! Shine! For our light has come.

L: The darkness shall no longer cover the earth.

P: Arise! Shine! For our light has come!

L: Gather your children and bring gifts to the Lord.

All: Arise! Shine! And be transformed!

Sermon “The magi are coming!” Ray Reimer
* Response Hymn “As with gladness men of old” HWB #218

Offering Local Fund Offertory

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer

Rosie Epp

* Hymn “Let us break bread together”

HWB #453

Communion

Invitation

Unison Confession

From *Words for Worship* 2, #115

**Healing God, you invite us to open our hearts and lives
to your cleansing presence;**

**You promise that whatever is fragile or weak or broken
can be restored in your gracious love.**

Touch us tenderly as we wait in silence.

(time of silence)

**Refresh our souls with your abundant mercy,
and feed us with your grace.**

**Make us ministers of peace to one another,
in your church, and in all the world.**

**We pray in the name of Jesus, Prince of Peace,
who heals and redeems us all. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Sharing Supper with the Lord... and each other

Communion will be served via trays in the pews.

*Please take a piece of bread as you are served and hold it,
that we may eat together; please drink as you are served.*

Prayer

* Sending Song “Arise, your light”

SS #30

Benediction and Postlude

Worship Leader(s): Carol Klingenberg and family

Greeter(s): Randy and Kathy Preheim

Musician(s): Kristyn Wedel

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 weekdays—Ray on Mon. & Fri. mornings by about 9 A.M., Rosie on Tue. mornings & Wed. afternoons; they’ll be visiting some afternoons. This week Ray leads a WDC Executive Board meeting Tue. evening, and will likely attend a Remington Area Ministers gathering Thur. noon.

Congregational Announcements

Jan. 8, 2020: The Zion January **congregational meeting for reports and projects** will be held. Supper will be served beginning at 5:45 P.M. The boards will meet at 6:15, with the meeting following at 7, and a brief council meeting after that.

Much thanks to Zion, my bags are full! We were able to purchase lab equipment, surgery supplies, and medications with your generous donations. Please keep our team and patients in your prayers. Updates will be posted as possible to my personal and the Zion Facebook page.

-Kara Klingenberg

Other Organizations

Jan. 9 or Feb. 11, both 6-7 P.M.: If you’d like to join our volunteers at the **Newton Et Cetera Shop**, please attend an upcoming new volunteer orientation on a date noted above. We’re currently seeking volunteers to help with costumes, greeting cards, holiday items and clerking.

Jan. 19, 7 P.M.: **Glen Guyton**, executive director of Mennonite Church USA will speak at Hesston Menn. Ch., both in the 10:30 A.M. worship service and at a free community building workshop at 7 P.M. Visit <www.hesston.edu/MLK> for more information.

Jan. 19, 7 P.M.: Hesston College artist-in-residence Tony Brown gives his MLK Day tribute to the civil rights activist Paul Robeson at Hesston Menn. Ch. “**I Go on Singing: Paul Robeson’s Life in Word and Song.**” Tickets are \$12 for all adults, available at the Hesston College Bookstore or at 620-327-8104, as well as at the door. Students college-age and younger are free. For more info, visit <www.hesston.edu/MLK>.

Jan. 24-25, 2020: WDC Women in Mission in cooperation with Everence Financial will host a two-day conference “**Let’s Talk...Women, Money & Faith**” at Tabor Menn. Ch. (rural Newton). Featured speakers, Teresa Boshart Yoder and Rhoda Blough, from Everence Financial will address money and faith topics for women of all ages and stages of life. Download registrations at <mennowdc.org/lets-talk-women-money-faith/>.