Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (at Grace Hill):	c.72
Offering : Mennonite College(s) (donor specification)	\$341
Feb. receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$12,284 needed)	\$2,371

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Women in Mission		1-4	P.M., Feb. 17 Feb. 19
Wed. evening activ	vittes		reb. 19
5:45-6:30 р.м.	Supper		
6:30-7:15 P.M.	Children's Activities, Adult Choir practice		
7:15-8:00 P.M.	Adult Bible Study	_	
Zion serves at New Hope Shelter during wk of Feb. 19-25			
Activity leaders / meal: Carol & Lindsey / Deanna & Kristy This Wed		This Wed.	
Greeter(s): Annette Voth and Daryl Regier		Next Sun.	
Worship Leader(s): Annette Voth and Daryl Regier		Next Sun.	
Musician(s): Carol / Ca	rol / Carol		Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Next Sun.

Offering: Mennonite Mission Network

Food & Thought @ J&R Janzen's	12:30 P.M., Feb. 23			
MCC 100 th anniversary celebration @ Tabor	7:30 P.M., Feb. 29			
Zion MCC fellowship meal, catered by A. Koehn NOON, Mar. 1				
Governing Council meets	7 P.M., Mar. 9			
Deacons meet	9 A.M., Mar. 10			
Zion work day	9 A.M?, Mar. 14			
Zion ice skating party @ Wichita Ice Center	1-4 P.M., Mar. 15			
Spiritual Life Board meets 5:	45-6:30 P.M., Apr. 1			
Zion service night @ MCC Center/NNewton	6-7:30 P.M., Apr. 6			
Easter breakfast potluck	9 A.M., Apr. 12			
Zion retreat @ Camp Mennoscah	Aug. 29-30			

Pray This Week for...

- praise to God for the many ways that WDC congregations are involved with Mennonite Central Committee, as MCC celebrates its centennial this year.
- Sophie Miller as she works (under the auspices of Mennonite Mission Network) with an indigenous organization in Guatemala that teaches sustainability from the worldview of the Tz'utujil, a Mayan people.

Zion Mennonite Church

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February 16, 2020 Sunday School at 9:45 A.M. Worship at 10:45 A.M.

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* Gathering Hymn Welcome, Introduction Prelude	"O healing river" ns, Announcements	HWB #372
Call to Worship		SS #189
Children's Time		Annette Voth
* Hymn "Gent	le God, when we are driven"	SS #71
Scripture Reading Sermon * Response Hymn"Le	Matt. 5:21-37 "Living respectfully" t there be light, Lord God"	Rosie Epp HWB #371
Work of the Church	MWC video	
Offering	Camp Mennoscah	Offertory
Sharing Celebrations a Prayer	and Concerns	Ray Reimer
* Sending Song "Gra Benediction and Postle	cious Spirit, dwell with me" ude	HWB #507

Worship Leader(s): Annette Voth and Daryl Regier

Greeter(s): Joe and Lois Friesen Musician(s): Karen Andres

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's pastor cluster meets Mon. afternoon.

Congregational Announcements

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

Mar. 15, 1-4 P.M.: The Outreach Board is sponsoring a Zion Ice Skating Party for all ages at the Wichita Ice Center (505 W Maple St, Wichita, KS 67213). Cost is \$7 per person, which includes admission and skate rental. Please sign up on the bulletin board so we know how many people will be ice skating. Watching is free and you don't need to sign up. If you have any questions ask Outreach Board (Ed, Vern, Wes, Rosie or June).

Apr. 6, 6-7:30 P.M.: **Zion service night** at the North Newton MCC Center. MCC is in need of dark colored bath towels and dark colored hand towels (no white towels). They will be used for Relief and Hygiene Kits. –Outreach Board

Other Organizations

<u>Feb. 17, 6:30 P.M.</u>: Consider serving our community through New Hope Shelter! The next **volunteer training** is on the date noted at New Hope Shelter, and is fairly informal so no RSVP required. We would love to welcome those with interest!

Feb. 20, 10 A.M. or 6:30 P.M.: Everence Financial will host a workshop, **Maximizing giving through donor advised funds**, at their North Newton office. Attendees will learn about how a donor advised fund works, ways to increase your impact on causes you care about, how to minimize taxes and more. Reserve your spot by contacting <Darlene.buller@everence.com>, 316-283-3800, or 877-467-7294.

Feb. 23, 7 P.M.: The Bethel College Concert Choir and the Hesston College Bel Canto Singers will unite for a **joint concert**, "How Firm a Foundation," at Alexanderwohl Menn. Ch. near Goessel. The choirs will perform individual selections from their respective repertoires, and will join together for other pieces, as well as being joined by members of the Alexanderwohl Menn. Ch. Chancel Choir. Admission to the concert is free. An offering will be taken to benefit Mennonite Central Committee.

<u>Feb. 22, 2 P.M.</u>: Friends of the MLA program in Mantz Library lounge (ground floor) with Keith Sprunger, Bethel College professor emeritus of history, on "**Remembering Bethel in the Sixties**: A Turning Point?," with light refreshments following.

Feb. 27, 7:30-9:00 P.M. ET: As part of its "Climate Justice: Learn, Pray, Join" initiative, Mennonite Church USA is providing a free webinar on "Caring for climate: Beyond denial and despair." The panel discussion will explore ways we can help people navigate the myriad emotions they experience related to climate and how they can move from inaction to hopeful engagement. Register at: http://mennoniteusa.org/climatejustice/webinar/.

<u>Feb. 28–Mar. 1; & Mar. 6-8</u>: **Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats** at Camp Mennoscah; register online at <www.campmennoscah.org>. These retreats fill up fast—don't miss out on your chance to spend a weekend relaxing through cropping and crafting. Questions?

<u>Feb. 29, 9 A.M.-3 P.M.</u>: **Christian ladies retreat** at Federated Ch. (Whitewater). Speakers, praise music, craft project and activities, snacks, lunch, drinks. See registration details posted.

<u>Feb. 29, 2:30 P.M.</u>: The Mennonite Central Committee-Central States board of directors will meet on Feb. 28-29 at the MCC Center in North Newton. A brief **annual meeting** will take place at the time noted; you are welcome to attend.

Feb. 29, 4:30-7 P.M.: First Menn. Ch. (427 W 4*, Halstead) invites everyone to their **annual verenike supper**. Cost is by donation: proceeds go to church service trips & service projects.

Feb. 29, 7:30 P.M.: Join us for "We've Come This Far by Faith," an MCC Centennial Celebration at the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts at Tabor College (Hillsboro). Bid on silent auction items, grab a reproduction Mennonite Feeding Station sign from our limited supply and join us for a program celebrating MCC's past 100 years, present and future! More info can be found at <mcc.org/weve-come-far-faith> and to learn more about MCC's centennial, please visit <mcc.org/centennial>.

Mar. 1, 4 P.M.: Seeing Each Other's Light, a program of story and song that provides understanding of diverse people, cultures and faith traditions of the Wichita community, will be held at Emanu-El Congregation Reform Synagogue (7011 E Central Ave., Wichita). The event is part of Hesston College's Peacing It Together Foundation and is also sponsored by Wichita's Global Faith in Action. The program features Hesston College students and internationally-acclaimed baritone Tony Brown, as well as other members of the Wichita community, including the Emanu-El Klezmer band and congregation choir. The concert is free and open to the public. For more info, go to <www.hesston.edu>.

Mar. 1, 4-6 P.M.: Everyone is invited to join us at Camp Mennoscah's **Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction** at Tabor Menn. Ch. (rural Newton). Amazing desserts made by camp supporters will be auctioned off to raise funds to renovate our beloved amphitheater used for evening campfires. Bring your singing voices and open wallets!

Mar. 2-4: Everyone is welcome to join in making more comforters at the MCC Comforter Blitz at Journey Menn. Ch. at the Yoder Campus (one mile north of Yoder). Blitz times are Mon. and Tue., 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., and Wed., 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. Check out <mcc.org/comforter-blitz> for more info. Thank you to the hundreds of volunteers who came together in January for MCC's Great Winter Warm-up! Some events were delayed by weather, but it appears more than 9,500 comforters were collected—and that's 3,000 more than our goal!

Mar. 8 and 15: The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale exchange **Fellowship Meals** are coming up—shared experiences in giving, where hosts invite folks to their home to "come and dine" and guests visit another family's home. Brochures are available on the MCC table in the overflow. Registration *deadline is Feb. 16*.

Mar. 12, 6 P.M.: Mark your calendars for the Western District Women in Mission Spring Supper at Faith Menn. Ch. (Newton). Our guest speaker will be Patty Shelly, professor of Bible and Religion at Bethel College. Additional information coming soon!

Newton Et Cetera Shop invites area organizations to **apply for their annual Local Giving grants!** Applications may be downloaded at <newtonetceterashop.com> and must be submitted by e-mail to <localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com> by Apr. 13, 2020. Grants will be awarded to selected groups by June 2020, in amounts up to \$5,000. For more info, please contact Sara Dick, Newton Et Cetera Shop, 619 N. Main Street, Newton KS 67114; phone 316-283-9461 or e-mail the address above.

Apr. 20-22: Refresh and renew at Camp Mennoscah's **Retirees Retreat!** Retirees of all ages are invited to enjoy sessions on a variety of topics, partake in coffee breaks and community, and join together in song and Bible study. Request a registration form at 620-297-3290.

Aug. 9-14: MCC Centennial Bike Ride, based in Albany Oregon. Registration is now open. More details at https://www.oregonfestivalforworldrelief.com/bike-2020.html. Beautiful green spaces at Mennonite Village. Various route options. Lots of local areas to explore. Evening festivities. Ride, dine, discover, celebrate!

Sign up for monthly highlights from MCC's 100 stories for 100 years! Explore images and stories from the breadth of MCC's work—from a graphic story on the 1920 trip that began MCC's ministry to accounts of women peacemakers now. Go to <mcc.org/centennial/100-stories/email> to sign up for monthly emails highlighting stories from the project.

Youth Camp registration is now open at Camp Mennoscah! Go to <www.campmennoscah.org> and click on Register Online in the upper left corner. Only 100 spaces left at each camp! (That's almost all of them, but they'll fill up fast!). Questions? Call us at 620-297-3290 or email <office@campmennoscah.org>.

Join a community. Serve others. Apply to serve with **Mennonite Voluntary Service** in places like Chicago; Washington, D.C.; San Francisco; and Alamosa. Age: 20+; term: 1–2 years. For more info, contact <LaurenEH@MennoniteMission.net>. Put your faith into action.