Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (with no visitors; 23x2 Twitchers): c.76
Offering: Mennonite Church USA \$271

Oct. receipts for Local Fund (\$12,284 needed) \$13,982.78

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Midweek adult Bible Study via Zoom	7:30 P.M., Nov. 4
Youth group & ensemble practice	6:30 p.m., Nov. 4
2 older children's SS classes meet	10:25 A.M., Nov. 1
Adult SS classes meet, if they choose	9 A.M., etc., Nov. 1
(Fall back from Daylight Savings Time)	early Nov. 1

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Greeter(s): Don and Peggy Regier	Next Sun.
Accompanist: Carol Klingenberg (& Abi Entz, gathering)	Next Sun.
Vocalist(s):	Next Sun.
Children's Time: Allie Klingenberg	Next Sun.
Offering: Harvest of Love (Harvey Co. food bank via Salvation Army	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Mission Fest focus during worship	10:45 A.M., Nov. 8
Outreach Board meets via Zoom	7 P.M., Nov. 8
Deacons meet	9 A.M., Nov. 9
Governing Council meets via Zoom	7 P.M., Nov. 9
Newton area meat canning @ NNewton MCC	center Nov. 10-12
Zion serves (with others) at New Hope Shelter	Nov. 25-Dec. 1
Spiritual Life Board meets via Zoom	7 P.M., Dec. 1

Pray This Week for...

- Remington district students in our congregations and their families quarantining after exposure to COVID-19.
- God's strength for chaplains and others in WDC caring for those facing pain, illness and death in the midst of the pandemic.
- the election this Tue. in the United States. Join Mennonite Mission Network in prayer for the vote to take place without violence and that leaders will be elected who will lead the country in ways of justice and peace. May we as a congregation pledge to communicate respectfully with all, especially those with whom we disagree.

Zion Mennonite Church

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November 1, 2020 Worship at 10:45 A.M.

Gathering Song

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Call to Worship

HWB #795, adapted

Leader: In company with your faithful people in every age, we call out those with gifts for your service, O God.

People: Fill us with the love of Christ and the power of your Spirit as we carry out the church's ministry.

L: Grant us wisdom, patience and hope when we falter.

P: Give us joy in serving you and your church, and keep us faithful to this calling.

All: For the ministries taking form within us and for all the callings yet to be, we praise your name, O Lord! Amen.

Children's Time Kristy Andres

Scripture Reading Numbers 27.12-23

Sermon "Succeeding at succession" Ray Reimer Response Song "Lead on, O cloud of presence" HWB #419

Offering Dedication Local Fund

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Karen Andres

Sending Song "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah" HWB #582 Benediction

Greeter(s): Mark Unruh

Accompanist: Kristyn Esau

Vocalist(s): Margaret Brewer

Pastor: Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) Assoc. Pastor Karen Andres (316-799-2857)

(Our worship is livestreamed and recorded at <twitch.tv/zionmennonite>; recorded services are available for 2 weeks).

Pastors Ray and Karen's Schedules: One of them is at the church office several weekday mornings by about 9 A.M.—Ray on Mon. & Fri., Karen on Tue. & Thur.; calls (and occasional visits) some afternoons.

Congregational Announcements

Nurture / Faith Formation resources:

• Supplement to the *Adult Bible Study* for week: *attached*.

Wed., 7:30-8:15 P.M.: Pastor Ray invites any interested adults to join a **Bible study** on Zoom coordinated with the fall sermon series on selected passages in Leviticus and Numbers. Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88519074617?pwd=R0ZNalRpU2NJb0ZaUlhxVTZPQUZGQT09, or Meeting ID: 885 1907 4617 and Passcode: 204387.

Nov. 8, 10:45 A.M.: **Mission Fest focus Sunday**. Rebekah Ureña, who served with Mennonite Central Committee under the SALT program in Bolivia several years ago and now lives in the Goessel area, will share with us during the message and children's time. This year we will not have a fellowship meal, etc.

Other Organizations

Oct. 30: Gardell Stucky, dedicated Facilities Director for the past 7½ years at Camp Mennoscah, is **retiring** on this date. You are invited to celebrate his time at camp with a card or email <gardell.stucky@campmennoscah.org> or PO Box 65, Murdock, KS 67111. Belated greetings will be forwarded to Gardell, so send without fear! Camp Mennoscah's Board of Directors and staff thank Gardell for the many hours of work and the gracious kindness shared with everyone. Happy adventures, Gardell!

Nov. 5, 5-7 P.M. (or until the food runs out): The Tabor Church Mennonite Men invite all to the **annual chicken barbeque** (BBQ chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, dinner roll and ice cream); this year as a to-go pick-up meal. From the south end of the east parking lot drive around the south of the church under the overhang to place your donation and pick up your meal(s). Funds raised will go to MCC and Bethesda Home in Goessel. The church is located 8 miles N of Newton to 90^a, then 1 mile E.

Nov. 6-7: **MEDA Convention 2020: Towards an equal world**. Explore what it means to be faithful in daily work and learn about MEDA's business solutions to poverty. For more information, go to <www.medaconvention.org>.

Nov. 5, 7 P.M.: After having to postpone its **Peace Lecture** twice, KIPCOR (the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution at Bethel College) presents Sarah Smarsh, speaking via Zoom on "Bridging the Cultural Divide in Difficult Times." Smarsh is the author of two acclaimed books on poverty and class in America: *Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth* and, just released, *She Come By It Natural: Dolly Parton and the Women Who Lived Her Songs.* To register for the Zoom link, go to <kipcor.org>, click on the event and scroll down to the "Register Now" button. Also on <kipcor.org>: look for the link to KIPCOR's first-ever "KIPCORathon," taking place on Nov. 5 as well.

Nov. 10-12: MCC Meat Canning 2020. The mobile cannery will be coming to North Newton to can chicken meat for domestic and international food relief. There will be a number of changes to how we operate to keep canner operators and local volunteers safe. We will be limiting the number of volunteers in the building at any one time, requiring masks, enhancing sanitation and changing the layout of the whole process to allow more physical distance between volunteers. As usual we need volunteers and donations of money to pay for the meat and other expenses. Newton KS area volunteers will be working Tue., Wed., Thur.—Nov. 10, 11, 12 at the North Newton MCC Center. All prospective volunteers should indicate their interest via an online signup sheet at https://tinyurl.com/MCCMeatCanning2020. Checks can be made out to Newton Area Meat Canning and sent to Richard Prieb, attn. Newton Area Meat Canning, 4 Bentgrass, Hesston, KS 67062, or Mennonite Central Committee, attn. Newton Area Meat Canning, 121 East 30th, N. Newton, KS 67117. Please spread the word in your churches and among friends so that we can keep this ministry thriving during this challenging time. If you have questions contact Joe Smucker at <smuckj@gmail.com> or 316-284-1841. Thanks!

Nov. 15, 2 P.M.: The KIPCOR Film Series continues with Cooked: Survival by ZIP Code, an award-winning documentary that focuses on the deadly 1995 Chicago heat wave to illustrate how minorities and low-income citizens suffer the most negative impact from natural disasters. The film is an indictment of our nation's disaster preparedness, and forges a link between extreme weather, extreme disparity and extreme racism. Note that watching the film and participating in the talk-back are two distinct, separate events: you must view the film between Nov. 8-14, using this link https://vimeo.com/bullfrogfilms/kipcor-cooked and password: <KC30p0> (e.g., KC3-zero-p-zero). Then on Sun., Nov. 15, at 2 P.M., KIPCOR will host a virtual discussion of the film with Christy Miller Hesed, Hesston, a postdoctoral associate in environmental anthropology at the Un. of Maryland. To register for the talk-back, go to <kipcor.org>, click on the event, and scroll down to the registration link. The Zoom link will be sent Nov. 13; advance registration is required for the talk-back.

Nov. 24, 7 P.M.: Join Jason Kauffman, Mennonite Church USA director of Archives and Records Management for a **webinar on Mennonite relief workers serving during World War I and the influenza pandemic.** The webinar is part of "The Anabaptist Story Lives On," a multi-week, virtual museum and archive tour through TourMagination. Register at: https://bit.ly/2G5etK5.

A recording of **Camp Mennoscah's annual meeting** is available at https://youtu.be/gWLZ8tXyBcM> and soon on the camp's Facebook page.

MCC's Seed program has **positions available** now in Colombia, Guatemala and El Salvador! The Seed program is perfect for young adults (18-30) who value service, community, and cultural exchange addressing systemic issues like food insecurity and climate change through grassroots, community-based initiatives. For more info, email <abbyendashaw@mcc.org> or visit <mcc.org/seed>.