

### *Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

<b>Worship attendance</b> (with 2 visitors; & x2 Twitchers):	c.82
<b>Offering:</b> Wheat State Manor	\$80
Jan. receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,132 needed)	\$2,304

### *This Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

Adult <b>SS classes meet</b> , as they choose	9 A.M., etc., Jan. 17
Children's <b>SS classes meet</b> (via Zoom)	10:25 A.M., Jan. 17
Wed. <b>adult Bible study</b> (via Zoom)	7:30 P.M., Jan. 20

#### *Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church*

Accompanist: Brett Klingenberg (Reinhild Janzen, prelude)	Next Sun.
Vocalist(s): Brett Klingenberg	Next Sun.
Children's Time: Brett Klingenberg	Next Sun.
Offering: Mennonite Central Committee – Sale expenses	Next Sun.

### *Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events*

<b>Education Board</b> meets (via Zoom)	7 P.M., Feb. 2
<b>Deacons</b> meet (via Zoom)	9 A.M., Feb. 8
<b>Governing Council</b> meets (via Zoom)	7 P.M., Feb. 8
<b>Spiritual Life Board</b> meets (via Zoom)	7 P.M., Mar. 15

### *Pray This Week for...*

- Ed, and other members of Evelynn Andres' family, reflecting this Tue. on the second anniversary of her death.
- God's wisdom for WDC church leaders, as they continue to discern how best to guide congregations during the pandemic.
- Mennonite Mission Network, as it praises God for DOOR's (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection) creative adaptation of leadership training programs in the COVID-19 era. Pray for all the young people who have engaged with the Teaching Collective series, which offer a virtual space for discussions centered around race, gender, trauma and healing. DOOR organizes opportunities to experience God in urban settings.
- Thursday, Jan. 21 is the anniversary of Anabaptist beginnings. Let us pray that we may share the courage of our spiritual ancestors to stand firmly in our faith.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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*January 17, 2021*

*(As of Nov. 22, services are closed to most in-person attendance)  
Virtual Worship at 10:45 A.M.*

Gathering Song "Just as I am" arr. Elliott/Bradbury  
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements Karen Andres  
Prelude

Call to Worship Adapted from Drescher, *Invocations*, 34

Leader: Righteous God, we come into your presence,

**People: That we might go forth in your power.**

L: We kneel in our need,

**P: That we might arise in your strength.**

L: We come to worship you,

**P: That we wherever we go we might be your unashamed witnesses.**

**All: We desire your touch in our lives, so that we may touch—with your love—everyone we meet. Amen.**

Children's Time Bonnie Brewer

Song "To God be the glory" HWB #102

Scripture Reading *Romans 1.16-17; 3.21-31*

Meditation "Righteous shame" Ray Reimer

Response Song "I know not why God's wondrous grace" HWB #338

Offering *Western District Conference*

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Karen Andres

Sending Song "The wonder of it all" arr. Shea/Shea

Benediction

Accompanist: Kristyn Esau  
Pastor Ray Reimer (316-217-2012)

Vocalist(s): Bonnie Brewer  
Assoc. Pastor Karen Andres (316-799-2857)

(Our worship is livestreamed and recorded at <[twitch.tv/zionmennonite](https://twitch.tv/zionmennonite)>; recorded services are available for 2 wks. Permission to stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE, License #737503-A. All rights reserved)

**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*

**Wednesday evening adult Bible study** has resumed, focusing on Paul's epistle to the Romans. Sermons through the winter / early spring will have similar focus, with sequential passages—so plan to participate in both for the full experience! Zoom mtg ID 845 1009 6000, passcode 726775, or:  
<<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84510096000?pwd=MFpzQ3BPSDBpMFNqMnAzREhZRkJuZz09>>.

**Jan. 23, 8 A.M.-NOON: Request for volunteers** to help Offender-Victim Ministries (currently at 900 N Poplar, Newton) relocate to a new office space. Specific needs: trucks/trailers to haul desks, filing cabinets, boxes, etc.; hand trucks to make carrying easier; many hands to get the job done. If able to help in any way, please e-mail last Sunday's speaker, Todd Lehman (OVM Executive Director) at <[todd@offendervictimministries.org](mailto:todd@offendervictimministries.org)>. The move will start off with donuts 🍩 and coffee ☕ !!! Any help appreciated!

**Congratulations!** Two of our Zion family are recipients of the 2020-2021 Kansas Horizon Awards. Nick Preheim, teaching first grade at Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen (<<https://www.usd308.com/article/376295>>); and Sarah Wedel (married to Tim), teaching first grade at Park Elementary in Lyons (<[https://www.facebook.com/USD405/posts/3680691031997290?comment\\_id=3680865595313167](https://www.facebook.com/USD405/posts/3680691031997290?comment_id=3680865595313167)>), both received this prestigious recognition, granted to only 32 first-year teachers statewide.

### **Nurture / Faith Formation resources:**

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

### *Other Organizations*

**Jan. 17, 1:30-4:30 P.M.:** Today is the last day to view the Smithsonian traveling exhibit “**Crossroads: Change in Rural America**,” on display at Kauffman Museum at Bethel College in partnership with Humanities Kansas. (The local companion exhibit, “Of Land and People: Our Community at the Crossroads,” remains thru Feb. 7.) Museum hours: Tues.-Fri., 9:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.; Sat.-Sun., 1:30-4:30 P.M.; closed Mon. and major holidays).

**Jan. 18, 6:30 P.M.:** Bethel College's annual **Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration** will feature spoken word artist M'Vyonne Payne and former pro athlete and motivational speaker Chris Singleton. The event will be held in Krehbiel Aud. in Luyken Fine Arts Center, with COVID protocols in place, and will also be live-streamed via YouTube at <[bit.ly/bethelks-mlk2021](https://bit.ly/bethelks-mlk2021)>. Sponsors are the Bethel College Diversity Council, Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and Student Life Office, with support from the Bethel College Women's Association.

**Jan. 19, 4:30 P.M.:** The Presidential Inauguration Committee will host a **COVID-19 Lighting Memorial** to honor the lives already lost to this disease. A Washington D.C. memorial will feature a lighting around the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool. Cities and towns across the U.S. are invited to join in lighting buildings and ringing church bells in a national moment of unity and remembrance. *You can participate by lighting a candle in a window of your own home.* “In the midst of a pandemic—when so many Americans are grieving the loss of family, friends, and neighbors—it is important that we honor those who have died, reflect on what has been one of the more challenging periods in the nation's history, and renew our commitment to coming together to end the pandemic and rebuild our nation.”

**Jan. 19, 6:30 P.M.:** Everence will host its popular workshop, ***Make Medicare an easy step***, as a free webinar. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. Please register by contacting our office at 877-467-7294, 316-283-3800 or <[central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com)>.

by Jan. 20: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Kauffman Museum at Bethel College is offering **Kansas Day in a Box** to give families the option of celebrating the day in the safety and comfort of their own home. The box will include games, crafts, recipes, foods, maps, activities and some surprise items to help you enjoy Kansas history and culture. *The deadline for order is Jan. 20*; to order, go to <<https://kauffmanmuseum.org/product/kansas-day-craft-kit/>>.

After ordering, Kansas Day in a Box can be picked up at the museum between Jan. 26-30, or mailed for an additional fee. On Jan. 30, Ms. Kristin (Neufeld Epp) from New Creation Preschool will open Kansas Day in a Box live on Zoom (participation details will be sent to all who purchase boxes). Boxes contain small pieces that may be unsafe for young children; recommended for ages 4-12. Allergens: Contains gluten, sunflower seeds and corn.

Jan. 21, 10-11:30 A.M. (CST): **Join MCC for a free webinar: The Spiritual Cost of Doctrine of Discovery.** Mark Charles, a Navajo activist, speaker, and author will be presenting on “The Spiritual Cost of Doctrine of Discovery.” Along with Soong-Chan Rah, Mark is the author of *Unsettling Truths: The ongoing, dehumanizing legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery*, Intervarsity Press (2019). Please *register by Jan. 20* at <[mcc.org/webinar-registration-dod](http://mcc.org/webinar-registration-dod)> to receive the webinar link.

Jan. 24-29, 2-5 P.M. CST: Join MCC for a 5-day **virtual learning tour of the borderlands between the United States in Mexico.** We will explore issues of migration, land rights and policy and how faith and justice weave together. Contact <[anahinojosa@mcc.org](mailto:anahinojosa@mcc.org)> with questions. Please *register by the end of the day on Jan. 18* at: <[https://mcc\\_us.formstack.com/.../mcc\\_It\\_registration\\_form...](https://mcc_us.formstack.com/.../mcc_It_registration_form...)>.

Applications for **Camp Mennoscah Summer Staff positions** are being accepted! Although there is a chance positions will change to meet the needs of pandemic-impacted summer youth camps, the current leadership positions are naturalist, crafts leader, lifeguard, grounds/maintenance, music leader, office, and all-round/media. For those 21 years old or older, there is also a Director of Support opening. Find the application and information online at <[www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org)> under Summer Youth Camps!

Jan. 30: **Kauffman Museum annual Kansas Day** event, “Our Stories, Our Foods.” Starting at 11 A.M.: food trucks, local producer booths and take-it-home crafts, *museum parking lot and grounds*; 11 A.M. via Zoom: Glen Ediger, North Newton: stories about Mennonite ethnic foods; 2 P.M. via Zoom: Jenny Masias, Newton: “The Immigrants Who Built Newton: One Spike at a Time”; walking tour to the eight “Stories Along the Trail” sites in North Newton. Please note that face coverings must be worn and distancing guidelines followed on Kauffman Museum and all Bethel College property. To get Zoom links, go to the Kauffman Museum Facebook page or <[kauffmanmuseum.org](http://kauffmanmuseum.org)>.

The KIPCOR Film Series at Bethel College is serving up a second helping of *Cooked: Survival by Zip Code*, which focuses on the deadly 1995 Chicago heat wave to illustrate how Black, Indigenous and People of Color and low-income citizens suffer the most negative impact from natural disasters. The film is an indictment of U.S. disaster preparedness, and connects extreme weather, extreme disparity (income and other) and extreme racism. Go to <[kipcor.org](http://kipcor.org)>, “Film Series,” for a link to watch *Cooked* for free and a link to register for the Feb. 7 virtual discussion; *advance registration is required to participate in the discussion*, which will be held in break-out rooms, with leaders who include Chicagoans who experienced the 1995 heat disaster.

