

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (with 3 visitors; & 3x2 Twitchers):	c.80
Offering: Western District Conference	\$405
June receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,132 needed)	\$5,516.61

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Zion serves at New Hope Shelter	during wk of June 23-29
Sunday prayer time (in parsonage garage)	9-9:30 A.M., June 27
Adult SS classes meet , where they choose	9:45 A.M., June 27
Children's SS classes meet (on lawn, unless weather)	9:45 A.M., June 27
Worship in sanctuary; also live-streamed	10:45 A.M., June 27
Summer congregational meeting	c.11:45 A.M., June 27
Zion talent show	7 P.M., June 27
KS Mennonite Relief Sale @ Hutchinson	July 2-3

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Mowing Church/Parsonage: Thurman Entz	Before next Sun.
Mowing Cemetery: Keith & Randall Wiebe	Before next Sun.
Worship on lawn; also live-streamed in sanctuary	10:45 A.M., Next Sun.
Accompanist: Josh Andres (Audra Entz, prelude)	Next Sun.
Vocalist(s): Josh and Kristy Andres	Next Sun.
Children's Time: Karen Andres	Next Sun.
Offering: Local Fund	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Education Board meets	7 P.M., July 7
Mennonite Church USA assembly (hybrid)	July 6-10
Deacons meet (in library)	9 A.M., July 12
Governing Council meets (via Zoom)	7 P.M., July 12
Western District Conference assembly (hybrid)	July 30/Aug. 1

Pray This Week for...

- Edna Stucky, unable to worship with us regularly.
- Anicka Fast and John Clark, who are serving as country co-directors for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) in Burkina Faso. Anicka, in her half-time assignment with Mission Network, also teaches missiology and church history, in addition to mentoring Africans who are doing archival work for their churches' stories.

Zion Mennonite Church

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June 27, 2021

*Worship in the sanctuary at 10:45 A.M.;
also live-streamed*

Gathering Song	"O breath of life"	SJ #35
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements		Karen Andres
Prelude		Lauren Klingenberg
Call to Worship	<i>based on Psalm 1</i>	WW2, #86

Leader: Blessed are those who seek the path of integrity.

People: The faithful are like fountains that spray and dance in sunlight; the faithful shower joy and delight upon their communities.

L: The evil ones in the world are not so.

P: Their thoughtless actions destroy a wholesome environment; their misuse of power leads only to death and destruction.

All: God of righteousness, help us choose life and not death.

L: Because every secret thought shapes how we live and every concrete action sculpts who we are, our choices matter.

**All: While we have the gift of breath, we want to choose life.
God of righteousness, grant us wisdom to walk in your ways.**

Children's Time	Brett Klingenberg
Song	HWB #368

Scripture(s) *Wisdom of Solomon 1.12-15; 2.23-24*

1.12 Do not invite death by the error of your life,
or bring on destruction by the works of your hands.

13 because God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living.

14 For he created all things so that they might exist;
the generative forces of the world are wholesome,

and there is no destructive poison in them,
and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. 15 For righteousness is immortal.

2.23 for God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity.
24 but through the devil's envy death entered the world,
and those who belong to his company experience it.

Sermon "Choosing life, for God did not make death" Ray Reimer
Response Song "Give thanks for life" SJ #108

Offering *Mennonite Mission Network*
Offertory Wyatt Klingenberg

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Karen Andres

Sending Song "We shall walk through the valley" HWB #412
Benediction and Postlude

Vocalist(s): Margaret Brewer Accompanist: Karen Andres
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 wks. Permission to stream the music in this
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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

Sundays during June-July, 9-9:30 A.M.: Pastor Karen leads a **prayer time** in the parsonage garage, gathering together to explore / practice different ways of praying. Anyone is welcome.

June 27, c.11:45 A.M.: The **summer congregational meeting** is scheduled for this date/time, in the sanctuary. The live-stream will continue uninterrupted into the meeting; those participating virtually have the option to text questions/comments during the meeting to Mark Unruh (316-210-6127), Becky Nickel (620-951-4022), or Pastor Ray (316-217-2012). Anticipated agenda includes:

1. Approve Jan. and Mar. Minutes
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Council recommendation for use of Elda Hiebert's estate gift
4. Council recommendation for altered use of the surplus in Operating Budget: WDC, Camp Mennoscah and WDC
5. Sabbatical Plan announcement (dates: Aug. 1-Oct. 31)
6. Approve delegates to MCUSA and WDC conferences

June 27, 7 P.M.: The Outreach Board invites all ages to share their hidden or well-known abilities at a **Talent Night**. We'll meet outdoors if weather permits (indoors otherwise). Light refreshments will be provided. Start rehearsing soon!

Thank you! We are so grateful for the prayers, visits, food, calls and many acts of service done for Dad and our family over the past days and years. Your kindness has touched our hearts.

—the Lester Wedel family

Other Organizations

June 28-July 2, 2-5 P.M. CDT each day: **Virtual Borderlands Learning Tour** via Zoom. Through virtual conversations, participants will hear first-hand from folks on the ground about the complexities of the U.S. immigration system, U.S. immigration policies that have worked to dismantle the asylum-seeking process, and the human factor on various sides of the spectrum. For more information and to register: <mcc.org/gl-virtual-borderlands>.

July 2-3: Stay connected and don't miss a thing at this year's **MCC Relief Sale**! Get live updates and other up-to-the-minute information via Facebook, Instagram & Twitter. Go to @kansas.mccsale on Facebook and @ksmccsale on both Instagram and Twitter to like and follow. Please bring **dark colored hand towels** for hygiene kits, or money for relief kits to the MCC booth at the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale in Hutchinson to help replenish our supplies. Both of these kits have been used for COVID-19 relief efforts around the world and MCC needs more to fulfill requests from partners! You'll find us in Sunflower North, where the General Auction takes place.

July 3, 7 A.M.: Kauffman Museum **First-Saturday Bird Walk**. Meet in the museum parking lot; experienced birders will lead a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours.

July 17-18: Come to **Family Weekend** at Camp Mennoscah if you're looking for a weekend to escape; there'll be a smorgasbord of camp activities for you to choose from and plenty of time to roam the river and be with your family and friends. Register at <campmennoscah.org>; for questions contact 620-297-3290.