

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (with 2 visitors; & 4x2 Twitchers): c.72
Offering: Western District Conference–Church Plant support \$400
Mar. receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,350 needed) \$12,576

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

SS classes meet 9:45 A.M., Mar. 27
Worship; also live-streamed 10:45 A.M., Mar. 27
Wed. evening activities Mar. 30
Children's & Jr. Youth activities 6:15–7:00 P.M.
Choir 6:30–7:00 P.M.
Adult Bible Study 7:00–c.7:45 P.M.

Zion serves meal at New Hope Shelter Mar. 31
WDC Men and Boys Retreat @ Camp Mennoscah Apr. 1-3

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Accompanist: Carol Klingenberg (prelude: Carol Klingenberg) Next Sun.
Children's Time: Brett Klingenberg Next Sun.
Offering: Local Fund Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Deacons meet (via Zoom) 9 A.M., Apr. 4
Education Board meets (via Zoom) 7 P.M., Apr. 4
KS Mennonite Relief Sale (Hutch fairgrounds) Apr. 8-9
Palm Sunday Eve joint service with GH @ Zion 7 P.M., Apr. 10
Governing Council meets (in Overflow, if status low) 7 P.M., Apr. 11
Maundy Thursday joint service with GH @ GH 7 P.M., Apr. 14
Zion worknight @ Newton MCC Center 6-7:30 P.M., Apr. 20
Spiritual Life Board meets (via Zoom) 7 P.M., July 27

Pray and Give Thanks This Week for...

- the family of Julie Hedine (sister of Jeannine Janzen), who died early Mar. 23; a memorial service is planned in Tampa, FL on Apr. 22. "Thank you for your prayers over the last 3 years."
- the Evelyn Buller family, reflecting this Thur. on the third anniversary of her death.
- Monika Neufeld, a nurse serving as an intern with CASAS (a program of Seminario Anabautista Latinoamericano, affiliated with MMN) in Guatemala, working at a rural clinic.

Zion Mennonite Church

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March 27, 2022: Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

Theme: From Exceptionalism to Inclusion

Gathering Song "We are people of God's peace" VT #797
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude "This is my Father's house" (HWB #154) The Holy Number
Call to Worship From *Leader* (Winter, 2021/22)

Leader: Together we seek the way of God,

People: rejoicing that we are new creations in Christ.

L: From a human point of view, we demand what is ours,

P: but through Jesus we learn that all share in God's inheritance.

L: Let us join God's feast,

P: where all celebrate together.

All: Let us live out God's way of inclusion.

Children's Time Bonnie Brewer
Song "Far, far away / I will arise" VT #300

Scripture(s) *Luke 15:11-32*
Sermon "This son of yours" Ray Reimer
Response Song "O God, how we have wandered" SS #58

Offering *Mennonite Church USA*
Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer Karen Andres
...beginning with Lenten prayer of confession (Isa. 55, adapted)

Leader: Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

People: We call upon you while you are near.

L: Have mercy on us, O God, for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

**P: Forgive us for thinking we deserve special treatment.
Lead us to radical inclusion.**

L: As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey,
let us see your way more clearly...

All: and follow your way more faithfully.

Sending Song “Beautiful things” VT #551
Benediction and Postlude

Worship Leader: Lisa Scott Accompanist(s)/Vocalist(s): Josh & Kristy Andres
Pastor Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) Assoc. Pastor Karen Andres (316-799-2857)

(Our worship is live-streamed and recorded at <[twitch.tv/zionmennonite](https://www.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: Ray is usually at the church
office from about 9 A.M.–NOON on Mon. and Fri.; Karen on Tue.
and Thur. afternoons from about 1–4 P.M.

Congregational Announcements

Mar. 26, 9 A.M.-?: Although this is short notice, in view of other
upcoming events prior to Easter, Zion’s Council has decided the
best date for a **spring clean-up day** is this Sat. A list of suggested
chores (inside and out) will be posted on the bulletin board by that
morning; if you’re unable to help on that date, consider claiming
one of the chores for another time of your preference.

Mar. 31: Zion serves at **New Hope Homeless Shelter**. If you’re
willing to assist in providing part of the meal, please sign up on the
sheet by the offering plate in the sanctuary *by Mar. 27*.

Apr. 10, 7 P.M.: All are invited to a **joint Palm Sunday evening
worship service** of the Zion and Grace Hill congregations at Zion
Menn. Ch. to observe the start of Holy Week; it will include music
and first-person observations.

Apr. 14, 7 P.M.: All are invited to a **joint Maundy Thursday
worship service** of the Zion and Grace Hill congregations
gathering at Grace Hill, including celebration of the Lord’s Supper.

Apr. 20, 6-7:30 P.M.: The Outreach Board invites you to a **night of
service** at the MCC Center in North Newton. Please join us; all
ages welcome!

Other Organizations

Mar. 27, 2 P.M.: Last chance to see the Bethel College **spring
musical, *Bright Star***, in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts
Center. Tickets at the door, subject to availability.

Mar. 27, 3 P.M.: **Sunflower Performing Arts** presents: Kevin
Vaughn, organ, and Stephen Lancaster, baritone, at Hesston Menn.
Ch. In collaboration with the Andover Organ Series, enjoy a
splendid musical performance that will include “Five Mystical
Songs” by Ralph Vaughan Williams, joined by Bel Canto Singers.
Info at <[sunflowerarts.org](https://www.sunflowerarts.org)>.

Mar. 31, 1 and 7 P.M.: **“After We’re Gone: Disabilities and
Estate Planning” webinar:** Caring for someone who’s dependent
due to a significant disability is a major responsibility. Making
provisions for that person’s physical, emotional and financial well-
being after the death of a caregiver can be complex and confusing.
Anabaptist Disabilities Network is partnering with Everence to
host a webinar about estate planning for families with a dependent
disabled family member. Register and find more info at:
<<https://www.anabaptistdisabilitiesnetwork.org/Resources/Webinars/Pages/After-We're-Gone.aspx>>.

Apr. 1: **Better camp discount ends!** But don’t fret if you miss
getting your registration and full payment in by Apr. 1; after that
date you’ll still get a good rate for an amazing week of camp! The
summer’s theme of “What’s in a Name?” will focus on how God
knows us beyond any name we may be called.

Apr. 1, 7 P.M.: *The Triumphant Quartet* brings their **gospel concert
“Bigger Than Sunday”** to Richert Auditorium of the Shari
Flaming Center for the Arts at Tabor College. Tickets at (620) 947-
3121, ext. 1402 or <www.tabor.edu/tickets>.

Apr. 2, 7 A.M.: Kauffman Museum **first-Saturday bird walk**,
starting in the museum parking lot. Experienced birders lead a
walk of 1-1.5 hours in Chisholm Park and on Sand Creek Trail.

Apr. 1-3: **WDC Men and Boys Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah. Bring a father, son, brother, mentor, or friend to this long-standing, guys only retreat! Enjoy your time with fishing, canoeing, worshipping, sitting by the fire, or visiting with. Claim a place to sleep in the cabins or bunkhouses, or sleep in your own tent or under the stars. The official beginning is Sat. morning, but many arrive on Fri. There will be a worship service on Sun. morning. Meals can be purchased for Sat. night, Sun. morning and lunch. No pre-registration; registration and payment will take place upon arrival. For more info contact Kevin Neufeld at 316-322-5515.

Apr. 2: **Bohne berrogie bake day** for the MCC sale will occur at Moundridge High School. Volunteers are needed to fill the berrogie; Shifts start at 6:45 and 9 A.M. Please wear a head covering. To volunteer, contact Marla Gillmore at 620-921-0428 or at <bmng@lrmutual.com>. Let's make this happen for MCC.

Apr. 3, 3 P.M.: Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum program, John M. Janzen, "**Drums or Organ: Contesting Musical Styles in African Christianity,**" Kauffman Museum auditorium. This program is associated with the current special exhibit marking 125 years of Kauffman Museum, and Janzen will be talking about items included in the exhibit. Due to the impracticality of social distancing, face coverings will be required indoors regardless of vaccination status.

Apr. 3, 4 P.M.: **Senior recital** by Bethel College student Emma Beachy, piano, Administration Building chapel.

Apr. 5, 7-8 P.M.: The WDC Israel-Palestine Task Force is sponsoring a Zoom book discussion of Jonathan Kuttab's book, ***Beyond the Two-State Solution*** (Kuttab will join the discussion). To register email <wdc@mennowdc.org> or call (316) 283-6300 providing your name, mailing address, and email address. Questions? Contact <robertleeatchison@gmail.com> or (785) 313-2292. Details posted.

Apr. 5, 7 P.M.: Bethel College **jazz ensembles** featuring guest artist Aaron Linscheid, trumpet, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken FAC.

Now through Apr. 7: Susan and David Harmon, "**Painterly Aesthetics: An Expressive Duet,**" in the Regier Gallery in Luyken FAC at Bethel. Gallery hours: 9 A.M.-4 P.M., Mon.-Fri.

Apr. 9-10: **Youth Volunteer Weekend** at Camp Mennoscah. This weekend of service and worship for grades 6-12 returns with vigor. Start your weekend of fun on Saturday at the MCC Sale in Hutchinson (on your own or with your youth group) and then bring the fun with you to Camp Mennoscah in the afternoon. Register at www.campmennoscah.org! (Registration is under Summer Camps.) More information available soon.

Apr. 10, 4 P.M.: Bethel College **Women's Chorus concert**, Administration Building chapel (may be different from some previously printed calendars).

Apr. 11: Save the date for a performance of Karen Robu's doctoral project, ***Suffering Church, an original play,*** at Bethel College.

May 6 & 13, 1-4 P.M.: Mennonite Central Committee in North Newton will be hosting a two-part **Beginner's Quilt Piecing Class** taught by Ann Yoder Smith and Charlotte Wenger. This class is for anyone 18+ years old who has an interest in learning and/or improving basic cutting and piecing skills. Must have a sewing machine to bring and know how to thread and wind bobbins. The class will cover rotary cutting, ironing techniques, squaring up fabric, seam matching, layout choices, and more! Pre-registration is required with a limit of 8 students. Cost is \$20 per person. If interested, please contact Ann Yoder Smith atrws.ays@gmail.com, or call 919-604-3282.

Michael Crosby, one of the authors of the proposed **Repentance and Transformation Resolution** that may be considered at the upcoming special assembly of Mennonite Church USA, notes that the body of Christ is hurting due the church's harmful actions toward LGBTQIA people. In his blog, "Prophetic challenge is pastoral care," he encourages us not to look away too quickly. More at: <mennoniteusa.org/prophetic-challenge-pastoral-care>.