Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (with 5 visitors; & 2x2 Twitchers): c77 **Offering**:Western District Conference - Church Plant support \$375

July receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,350 needed) \$2475

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

SS classes meet	9:45 А.М., July 17
Worship; also live-streamed	10:45 а.м., July 17

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church		
Mowing Church / Parsonage: Daryl Regier	Before	next Sun.
Mowing Cemetery: Andrew Wedel	Before	next Sun.
Worship Leader(s): Ann Schowengerdt		Next Sun.
Accompanist / Vocalist: Karen A. / Bonnie B. (prelude: Alyssa	K.)	Next Sun.
Children's Time: Bonnie Brewer		Next Sun.
Offering: Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission		Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Pastor Ray on vacation	July 7-20
(No Deacons or Governing Council meetings in Jac	uly)
Zion Swim Party @ Peabody pool	6-8 Р.М., July 24
Spiritual Life Board meeting	7 р.м., July 27
WDC annual assembly @ Camp Copass, TX	July 29-31
Deacons meet (in person, if status low)	9 A.M., Aug. 8
Governing Council meets (in person, if status low)	7 p.m., Aug. 8
Zion / Grace Hill Retreat @ Camp Mennoscah	Aug. 27-28

Pray and Give Thanks This Week for ...

*Various people traveling on vacations. Pray for safe travels.

- The gifts shared by elected leaders in Western District Conference as they conclude another year of service on the WDC Executive Board, Commissions and Gifts Discernment Committee at the end of July.
- Mennonite Mission Network's Youth Venture program, which is leading a 9-day immigration and borderlands learning tour in Tucson, Arizona. Pray for the 15 participants as they come face-to-face with injustice and racism in many forms.

Zion Mennonite Church

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July 17, 2022

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

Gathering Song Welcome, Introdu	"God is here among us" actions, Announcements	, VT #62
Prelude		Maya Klingenberg
Call to Worship (Water ritual)	Ann Schowengerdt
Offering	Mennonite Church US	SA
Children's Time Song	"O Healing River"	Brett Klingenberg VT #706
Sermon Scripture	"Leave your jar at the well" John 4:1-24	' Karen Andres
Response Song	"I heard the voice of Jesus s	ay" HWB #493
Sharing Celebrations and Concerns PrayerAnn Schowengerdt		
Sending Song Benediction and I	"My life flows on" Postlude	VT #605

Worship Leader(s): Ann Schowengerdt Accompanist / Vocalist: Brett KlingenbergPastor Ray Reimer (316-217-2012)Assoc. Pastor Karen Andres (316-799-2857)

(Our worship is live-streamed and recorded at <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. Pastor Ray will be on vacation from July 7-20.

Congregational Announcements

Today we will be starting a new series called "Come to the water." The presence and importance of water in Scripture is often used to speak of life, death, and new creation. Jesus calls himself "living water" when speaking with the woman at the well. How have our lives been shaped by God's flowing waters?

July 24, 6-8 P.M.: It's time for a Zion Church Swim Party at the Peabody Pool! The Outreach Board will serve watermelon at the park afterward. Feel free to invite a friend!

The Education Bd. is happy to announce a new Senior High youth sponsor. Margaret Brewer has volunteered to be co-sponsor with Derek Klingenberg. Thanks, Margaret. We greatly appreciate it!

Other Organizations

<u>July 13-19</u>: *Sky's the Limit* **online charity auction** supporting Central Kansas Community Foundation. Details posted.

July 26, 1 P.M. CDT: MCC hosts a webinar: Creative Housing Solutions for Refugees & Asylum Seekers. When refugees and asylum seekers first arrive in the United States, the first thing they need is a safe place to call home. Unfortunately, the ongoing affordable housing crisis has greatly impacted newcomer families' ability to lay down roots. Join MCC to learn about different ways the faith community has partnered with refugees, asylum seekers, and the organizations that serve them to offer creative housing solutions. Register at:

<https://mcc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xDYoTEZGSiKMCI2x3OOAew>.

Sept. 14-Oct. 25: Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible. Join Drew Strait, PhD, and Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, PhD, to study pertinent Scripture passages and reflect on how these texts form a robust and biblically based practice of peace and justice today. This online AMBS short course lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register *by Aug. 24* to save \$50 at <ambs.edu/short-courses>.

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) is seeking applicants for its **Justice Fund grants**. The Justice Fund supports MC USA congregations that are working to combat poverty, dismantle racism, address immigration reform or reimagine policing. For more info: <mennoniteusa.org/seek-applicants-justice-fund>.

Lynda Hollinger-Janzen of Mennonite Mission Network rides her bicycle to work every day. It provides her with an opportunity for exercise, allows her to reduce her impact on the environment and it creates space for her to spend time with God. Read more about the benefits of biking in her Menno Snapshots blog, "I bike for world peace, personal shalom — and because I love biking." <mennoniteusa.org/i-bike-for>.

Steve Chun reflects on how Kkaenip, or perilla, a plant used in traditional Korean cuisine, helps him and other Korean Americans maintain a sense of identity, despite living away from their ancestral land. Read his Menno Snapshots blog, "Flavors of resilience," at: <mennoniteusa.org/flavors-of-resilience>.

MCC - Colorado peaches are back! Place your order for fresh Colorado peaches today just \$27 for 10 lb. box and \$38 for 18 lb. box by calling MCC at 315.283.2720 or emailing patsydirksen@mcc.org. Peaches must be ordered and paid for by July 25. The peaches are offered as a fundraiser for the Colorado MCC Relief Sale, please make payment by check to Beth-El Mennonite Church with "peaches" in the memo line. Generous volunteers Jerry & Leann Toews will bring the peaches from Colorado to MCC in North Newton for you to pick up around August 22.