

## *Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

**Worship attendance** (with 5 visitors; & 6x2 Twitchers): c.65

**Offering:** Mennonite Church USA \$...

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

## *This Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

**SS classes meet** 9:45 A.M., July 24

**Worship;** also live-streamed 10:45 A.M., July 24

### *Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church*

Mowing Church / Parsonage: Randy Preheim Before next Sun.

Worship Leader(s): Steven Kauder Next Sun.

Accompanist / Vocalist: Josh & Kristy Andres (prelude: Caleb K.) Next Sun.

Children's Time: Karen Andres Next Sun.

Offering: Mennonite Central Committee - Meat Canning Next Sun.

## *Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events*

**Zion Swim Party @** Peabody pool 6-8 P.M., July 24

**Spiritual Life Board** meeting 7 P.M., 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...*

- A brief update on Hennie Janzen: She remains in remission as she continues her outpatient treatments at MD Anderson in Houston. We greatly appreciate all your kind cards, letters, and prayers.  
—Hennie and Mark Janzen
- the WDC Annual Assembly next weekend at Camp Copass near Denton, TX, that in this gathering God will encourage and strengthen WDC congregations.
- Alisha and Josh Garber, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, currently based in Phoenix, AZ, where they are engaged in North American ministry. Pray for a time of spiritual and physical renewal, as the Garbers visit family, friends and supporting congregations. Pray for them, also, as they discern what God is calling them to next.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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*July 24, 2022*

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

Gathering Song "We sing to you, O God" VT #80

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude Alyssa K.

Call to Worship VT #985H, adapted

Leader: God will guide us continually,

**People: and satisfy our needs in parched places.**

L: We shall strike the rock, and the water will come;

**P: then we shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water.**

**All: For the waters of God never fail.**

Offering *Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission*

Children's Time Bonnie Brewer

Song "Touch the earth lightly" VT #145

Scripture *Exodus 17.1-7*

Sermon "The water search" Ray Reimer

Response Song "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah" VT #606

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer Ray Reimer

Sending Song "Guide my feet" VT #816

Benediction and Postlude

Worship Leader: Ann Schowengerdt

Accompanist / Vocalist: Karen Andres / Bonnie Brewer

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://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 Karen is off today, after a couple busy weeks; Pastor Ray is Zion's delegate at Western District assembly July 29-31.

### *Congregational Announcements*

Today we continue the series “**Come to the water.**” The presence and importance of water in Scripture is often used to speak of life, death, and new creation. How have our lives been shaped by God's flowing waters?

Please have **bulletin resources** submitted by *Wed. eve* this week.

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!

### *Other Organizations*

**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 contacting MCC via email at <patsydirksen@mcc.org> or calling 316.283.2720. 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 Aug. 22*.

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\\_xDYoTEZGSiKMCI2x300Aew](https://mcc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xDYoTEZGSiKMCI2x300Aew)>.

The July edition of ***On the Level*** is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: Executive Director Kevin King invites you to take a short quiz to see how much you know about MDS and you can read more about the latest work by volunteers in Paradise, CA. Read more at: <<https://conta.cc/3oiFRqp>>.

Aug. 6, 2:30 P.M.: **Camp Sing** at Hope Menn. Ch. in Wichita! Camp Mennoscah will be celebrating a wonderful summer through song! Everyone is invited to come and sing camp songs (both “traditional” ones from across the years and newer Praise & Worship ones). The final details are yet to be determined, but there will be soda pop—generic or otherwise! Put it on your calendar and come be part of the fun!

Sept. 8–Dec. 1: **Fall Book Study:** Elaine Enns, co-author of *Healing Haunted Histories: A Settler Discipleship of Decolonization*, will be leading an online, intensive book study this fall for the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition. Two-hour sessions will be every other Thursday, 6-8 pm Central Time, on Sept 8 and 22, Oct 6 and 20, Nov 3 and 17, and Dec 1. This book encourages personal and collective work toward decolonization. It asks those of us who are settlers, immigrants and displaced peoples to do our own pre-work of integrating our ancestral stories, so we can see more clearly and show up in solidarity with Indigenous peoples. There is a suggested donation of \$150-\$250 for the online book study. Scholarships are available. Register at <<https://mennoniteusa.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=97f16d9c230780d6354d01572&id=d41d36b2f9&e=7ec7bb6be2>> *by Aug. 1*. Note to WDC members: You are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity study! If you do so, please inform the WDC office at <[wdc@mennowdc.org](mailto:wdc@mennowdc.org)> or 316-283-6300, to facilitate networking between WDC participants, and plan for further engagement with Elaine Enns within the WDC context, as follow-up to the book study. If you seek some financial support to help meet expenses for the book study, please inform WDC; requests for assistance will be considered by the WDC Resource Commission at their next meeting in Sept.