

### *Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

**Worship attendance** (with 2 visitors; & 2x2 Twitchers): c.79  
**Offering:** Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission \$749  
July receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,350 needed) \$9,475

### *This Week at Zion Mennonite Church*

**WDC annual assembly @ Camp Copass, TX** July 29-31  
**SS classes meet** 9:45 A.M., July 31  
**Worship; also live-streamed** 10:45 A.M., July 31

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

Mowing Church / Parsonage: Klingenberg family Before next Sun.  
Mowing Cemetery: Thurman & Jeremy Entz Before next Sun.  
Worship Leader(s): Margaret Brewer Next Sun.  
Accompanist / Vocalist(s): Josh & Kristy A. (prelude: Kate K.) Next Sun.  
Children's Time: Matt Regier Next Sun.  
Offering: Local Fund Next Sun.

### *Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events*

**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  
**Spiritual Life Board meets** (via Zoom) 7 P.M., Oct. 17

### *Pray and Give Thanks This Week for...*

- Silas Stucky, in significant decline with congestive heart failure; walk with him in prayer through this journey.
- WDC congregations, discovering new opportunities for bringing healing and hope in their ministry contexts, according to the vision Jesus proclaimed of God's kingdom, as delegates gather today for the annual assembly at Camp Copass, TX.
- the gathering of the Mennonite Communion of Congo (CMCo) in Tshikapa, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, along with Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission. Meeting on July 28-31, the church plans to meet to choose a new leadership team after a transitional period of nearly one year. Pray for openness to the Spirit of God, prayerful discernment, and unity as the church charts a course for the future.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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*July 31, 2022*

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

Preservice Music

Gathering Song "For the beauty of the earth" VT #120, vss. 1,2,5  
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

Prelude Klingenberg Family

Call to Worship: Water Ritual

Offering *Mennonite Central Committee - Meat Canning*

Children's Time Karen Andres

Song "Be thou my vision" VT #549, vss. 1,2,4,5

Scripture *II Kings 5.1-14*

Sermon "Trust without reservation" Karen Andres

Response Song "Have thine own way, Lord" HWB #504

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns

Prayer Karen Andres

Sending Song "You shall go out with joy" VT #847

Benediction and Postlude

Worship Leader: Steven Kauder Accompanist / Vocalist(s): Brett Klingenberg  
Pastor Ray Reimer (316-217-2012) Assoc. Pastor Karen Andres (316-799-2857)

(Our worship is live-streamed and recorded at <twitvh.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 is Zion's delegate at Western District assembly July 29-31, and thus absent from our worship today.

## *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?

The **2022 Zion Pictorial Directory** is complete! Digital copies were circulated with the bulletin e-mail several days ago; paper copies are being supplied to those without e-mail. Many thanks to Steven Kauder and Mark Unruh for heading up this project!

## *Other Organizations*

Aug. 6, 7 A.M.: Kauffman Museum **first-Saturday bird walk:** start in the museum parking lot at the corner of Main and 27th streets in North Newton. Experienced birders lead a walk of 1-1.5 hours in Chisholm Park and on Sand Creek Trail.

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!

Aug. 9, 6:30 P.M.: Everence will hold its popular **Medicare workshop** in-person at its office in North Newton. Topics will include: when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare covers, plus an explanation of Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D. Those interested in attending should contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or <central.kansas@everence.com>.

Aug. 13, 7-11 A.M.: **2022 Pancake Day** at the Peabody Senior Center (106 N. Walnut). Breakfast by donation. “That Flippin’ Pancake Race” at 10 A.M. Further details posted.

The fall 2022 schedule for **Life Enrichment** at Bethel College is posted on the bulletin board (above the copier). Note that as previously announced, sessions now occur on Thursdays.

Aug. 20: **Work & Play Day!** Camp Mennoscah has projects to complete and plenty to do after a busy, fun summer; projects are available for all ages and weather. Let us know you’re coming so we can be prepared for you! Bring your lunch and a water bottle. The day will start at 8:30 A.M. at the maintenance shed. End your day with a kayak ride or stroll to the sandbar. Contact Olivia at 620-297-3290 or <olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org> to sign up. Want to volunteer either before or after August 20? Give us a call!

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> 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.

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) conducted a **denomination-wide survey** to examine what it means to be a member of MC USA and how this has changed in the past 16 years. The preliminary results can be found here, with the full study being released later this month: <[mennoniteusa.org/summary-denominational-study](https://mennoniteusa.org/summary-denominational-study)>.