

## Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

<b>Worship attendance</b> (with no visitors; & 9x2 Twitchers):	c.66
<b>Offering: Local Fund</b>	\$3,325
Elmo Murray memorial (to Zion)	\$1,460
August receipts-to-date for Local Fund (\$11,350 needed)	\$3,325

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<b>SS classes meet</b>	9:45 A.M., Aug. 14
<b>Worship; also live-streamed</b>	10:45 A.M., Aug. 14

### Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Mowing Church / Parsonage: Josh & David Andres	Before next Sun.
Mowing Cemetery: Bernard Regier family	Before next Sun.
Worship Leader(s): Allie Klingenberg	Next Sun.
Accompanist / Vocalist(s): Carol / Bonnie (prelude: Wyatt K.)	Next Sun.
Children's Time: Bonnie Brewer	Next Sun.
Offering: Wheat State Manor (set by Council for "Open Offering")	Next Sun.

## Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

<b>Zion / Grace Hill Retreat</b> @ Camp Mennoscah	Aug. 27-28
<b>Safe Sanctuaries training</b> for SS/Wed. teachers	6 P.M., Sept. 11
<b>Deacons meet</b> (in person, if status low; otherwise Zoom)	9 A.M., Sept. 12
<b>Gov. Council meets</b> (in person, if status low; or Zoom)	7 P.M., Sept. 12
<b>Spiritual Life Board meets</b> (via Zoom)	7 P.M., Oct. 17

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

- those dealing with COVID at present, including various in our congregation.
- wisdom for Sunday school coordinators, teachers, youth sponsors and mentors who guide faith formation for children, youth and adults in WDC congregations, as a new school begins.
- Naomi Leary, Mennonite Mission Network's regional co-administrator for North America, as she praises God for renewed vigor in service programs across eight locations in the United States. After two years of decreased participation, due to the pandemic, the number of participants has doubled since last year. Pray for the 16 Mennonite Voluntary Service participants and the 19 Service Adventure participants—12 youth and seven unit leaders.

# Zion Mennonite Church

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August 14, 2022

Worship in the sanctuary at 10:45 A.M.; also live-streamed  
(For the next weeks we will not have congregational singing;  
you're encouraged to follow along with the leaders)

Gathering Song "Fill us with your feast" VT #309  
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements, Water Ritual

Prelude Lauren K.

Call to Worship *Words for Worship 2, #2, adapted*  
Leader: We have come to worship you, O God;

**People: gather us in.**

L: Some of us come full of happiness;

**P: gather us in.**

L: Some of us come a little sore or afraid from what life brings;

**P: gather us in.**

L: Some of us come indifferent or confused;

**P: gather us in.**

L: We honor you—who forms us and calls us each by name.

You are our God, known yet unknown, present here yet everywhere now and forever. You have made us distinctly unique and yet part of your people world-wide.

**All: Gather us in to your fierce love, your tender care, your abundant grace.**

Offering *Mennonite Mission Network* (switch with Aug. 28)  
Children's Time Kristy Andres  
Song "As the waters rise around us" VT #708

Scripture *Isaiah 43.1-5a*  
Sermon "Dangerous water crossings" Ray Reimer  
Response Song "Calm me, Lord" VT #680

Sharing Celebrations and Concerns: Prayer

Karen Andres

Sending Song “Will you come and follow me” VT #540, vss. 1,2,4,5  
Benediction and Postlude

Worship Leader: Margaret Brewer    Accompanist / Vocalist(s): Karen / Margaret  
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  
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**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*

Aug. 9-14: Olivia Schlaepfer, niece of Jim and Becky Nickel, is  
doing a **project on land and people in rural Kansas**, exploring  
how community values interact with land use, for her senior thesis  
in Environmental Studies at Yale University. She’s seeking  
conversation with anyone who might be open to talking with her  
during her upcoming visit to the area on the dates noted; if you  
would be interested/available, please contact Jim (620-983-8001)  
or Becky ahead of time. More info on the bulletin board.

Aug. 23: Zion has been asked to host a **supper at New Hope  
Shelter** this day; please contact Lindsey Regier if you can help.

Aug. 27-28: **Zion/Grace Hill retreat** at Camp Mennoscah is  
approaching. Please note your intentions *by Aug. 21* on the sign-up  
sheet that’s posted on the bulletin board, so we can plan for meals.

Sept. 11, 6 P.M.: **Safe Sanctuaries training** for all those involved  
in teaching or working with children, outside at church. Desserts  
will be provided.

The Education Board is looking for **two teachers for Wednesday  
night programming**, starting the first Wednesday of October. This  
will be for the younger children, divided into two groups. If you  
are interested in helping out, contact Pastor Karen or a member of  
the Education Board.

The Outreach Board will be **collecting items for MCC School  
Kits** during the month of August. Please consider donating the  
items listed below. If you'd rather donate money, offerings can be  
given to Cassie Klingenberg and she will purchase the needed  
supplies. Donated items can be left by the bulletin board.

MCC School Kits: Contents (*new items only, please*):

- 4 spiral or perforated-page notebooks (8.5” x 10.5” and 70  
sheets)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings  
optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small all metal pencil sharpener, one or two holes.

### *Other Organizations*

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](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org)> to sign up.  
Want to volunteer either before or after August 20? Give us a call!

Aug. 20, 7 P.M.: Hesston College Bel Canto Singers presents: **Bel  
in the Black Box**, Keim Center Theatre. When the curtains are  
open the acoustics are live! Join us for a variety show featuring the  
entire ensemble as well as small groups and solo pieces.

Aug. 21, 6-8 P.M.: **Just Desserts**—a fundraiser for Offender Victim  
Ministries, at Prairy Mezzanine (601 N Main St, Newton). Reserve  
your tickets at <[offendervictimministries.org](http://offendervictimministries.org)>. Details posted.

Clayton Gladish, pastor of Silverwood Menn. Ch., writes about  
how the passage of “A Resolution for Repentance and  
Transformation” can be an **opportunity for us to widen the  
circle**. Read his blog at: <[mennoniteusa.org/widening-circle](http://mennoniteusa.org/widening-circle)>.

Aug. 21, 6:30 P.M.: Join us at First Menn. Ch. (Newton) to **celebrate what God is doing through AIMM**. Co-executive Coordinator John Fumana and wife Lucie from Congo are hoping to be with us (pray that their visas arrive in time). Questions? Contact Tara Burch at <aimm@aimmint.org> or (574) 535-0077.

Aug. 25: Life Enrichment returns to Bethel College on the date noted, but it will be on (Thursdays) this year. Place / time remain the same: Krehbiel Auditorium, 9:30 A.M. More info at <<https://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/life-enrichment>>.

Aug. 25, 6 P.M. CDT; Sept. 1, 1 P.M., CDT: Everence is offering a **webinar review of Medicare coverage** for those who have one of their Medicare Supplement Insurance plans; details and registration at <<https://www.everence.com/everence-events/corporate/20220809-medicare-refresher-webinar>>.

Sept. 10-11: Western District Women in Mission (WDWM) Retreat Committee has been busy planning the annual **Women and Girls Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah, and *all* women are invited to attend! Girls in grade 5 and up are also invited to come, although there will not be any separate programming for them. The theme is: "Women's Voices." Brochure and registration form are posted on the bulletin board; deadline for registration is *Aug. 31*. Questions? Contact Darlene Powers at <dpowers11@cox.net>.

Sept. 11, 3 P.M.: Sunflower Performing Arts presents: **Sunflower Soirée**, Hesston Menn. Ch. You are invited to our season opening event that is free of charge and will present local/regional artists: Carren Moham, soprano; Mei Li, piano; The Salina Symphony Brass Quintet, The Brain Flowers, and Outside the Bach(s). Light refreshments to follow. More info at <[sunflowerarts.org](http://sunflowerarts.org)>.

**Opening:** Kauffman Museum at Bethel College in North Newton, KS, will hire a full-time, benefits-eligible Graphic Designer who has experience with digital and print design, as well as social media, web and IT. Interest or experience in museum exhibition design and fabrication preferred. To see the complete job description and to apply, go to the job posting on the Bethel College website. For more information, contact Andi Andres at [asa@bethelks.edu](mailto:asa@bethelks.edu) or 316-283-1612.