

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance (with 5 visitors; & 8x2 Twitchers): c.103
Offering: *Western District Conference* \$555
Local Fund receipts-to-date for Apr. (\$11,600 needed per month) \$5,875

This Week at Zion Mennonite Church

SS classes meet 9:45 A.M., Apr. 23
Worship 10:45 A.M., Apr. 23
Safe Sanctuary training (for VBS helpers, etc.) NOON, Apr. 23
KS Mennonite Men's Chorus @ BC's Mem Hall 7 P.M., Apr. 23

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Mowing Church / Parsonage: Mike Scott Before next Sun.
Mowing Cemetery: Daryl Regier Before next Sun.
Worship Leader: Ann Schowengerdt Next Sun.
Accompanist / Vocalist(s): Carol K. / Margaret B. (prelude: Carol) Next Sun.
Children's Time: Sharon Wedel Next Sun.
Offering: Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Remington Singers in worship; potluck after 10:45 A.M., Apr. 30
Education Board meets c. NOON, Apr. 30
Gov. Council meets (*rescheduled*) 7 P.M., May 1
Deacons meet 9 A.M., May 8
Spiritual Life Board meets (via Zoom) 7 P.M., May 24
Pentecost communion May 28
Summer cong. meeting (*note time change*) 6 P.M., June 4

Pray and Give Thanks This Week for...

- Family and friends (including many Zion members) of Patricia Ketchum, who died this last Wed. (Apr. 19) at Kidron-Bethel Village, after years of residence in Peabody.
- Delila Wedel, unable to worship with us regularly; she'll celebrate her 82nd birthday next Sunday (Apr. 30).
- Bekah York, as she begins six weeks of North American ministry this month with Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for inspiration, as she speaks in churches, encouraging others to join what God is doing in Colombia, as well as for rest and renewal, as she reconnects with family and friends.

Zion Mennonite Church

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April 23, 2023

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

Gathering Song "Sanctuary" insert
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
Prelude Brewer Family

Call to Worship

Leader: Come together, children of God!

People: We come to celebrate and stand in awe of God.

L: You have been called by name to be part of God's great work.

P: We sing and shout in Jesus' name, for that is where our hope come from.

All: We will raise our voices that all may hear and know that God is faithful!

Offering *Mennonite Central Committee*
Offertory Cohen A.
Children's Time Bonnie Brewer
Song "In the garden" insert

Scripture(s) *Leviticus 23: 33-35, 39-43*
Sermon "Let's get a booth!" Tammy Duvanel Unruh
Response Song "Joys are flowing like a river" HWB #301

Work of the Church: Update on Camp Mennoscah

Sharing Celebrations and Concern: Prayer Ray Reimer

Sending Song "The Lord your God is with you" VT #173
Benediction

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://www.twitch.tv/zionmennonite)>; recorded services are available for 7 days. 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

We welcome all this morning, especially Tammy Duvanel Unruh, representing **Camp Mennoscah**. Adult Sunday School classes are invited to the sanctuary for a report during the Education Hour; Tammy preaches during Worship (and offers a brief update).

Apr. 23, NOON: Sign-up (on the bulletin board) if you'd like to **help with VBS** this year and have not had Safe Sanctuaries training. This is for Junior & Senior Higher's as well as adults. Clint Unruh will lead the training on the date noted after church. If you cannot attend the meeting, let Clint or Pastor Karen know; there is a video that is available to watch.

Apr. 30: The **Remington Singers** will be joining us during worship; all are invited to a potluck meal following.

May 30–June 2: The Education Board (in consultation with parents) has accepted an invitation from the Newton Mennonite churches to join a **joint Vacation Bible School** this year. On the days noted there will be suppers at Bethel College Menn. Ch. at 5:30 P.M. and activities from 6-7:30 P.M. Zion will join a **joint worship service** celebrating VBS at 10 A.M. on June 4 at BCMC (outside, if weather permitting), with potluck following; there will be no Sunday School or worship at Zion that day.

Other Organizations

Apr. 23, 7 P.M.: The **Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus (KMMC)** performs at Memorial Hall, Bethel College (also: Apr. 16, 7 P.M. at the Richert Auditorium, Tabor College, Hillsboro). The KMMC is a large, all-volunteer male choir. In recent seasons membership has topped 300. Their motto is "we sing that others may live." Offerings taken at KMMC concerts are donated to the MCC.

Apr. 23, 4 P.M.: Bethel College **junior recital:** Josie Epp, piano, Ad Building chapel.

Apr. 25: All Western District Conference women are invited to join a **virtual event sponsored by Western District Women in Mission**. Jenny Gehman, spiritual director, retreat speaker, and writer, will present on "Holy Host: The Hospitality of God." Join us in person or virtually. Our in-person gathering will be at First Menn. Ch. (Newton), with a salad potluck at 6 P.M. followed by Jenny joining virtually from PA at 6:45 P.M. There is no, but please register *by Apr. 23* at <westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com> so you can receive a Zoom link if joining virtually. Please email your RSVP if attending in person and bring a salad to share. Church groups can consider gathering together to watch the Zoom. For more info, contact Wendy Schrag at 316-841-5245.

Apr. 26, 7 P.M.: Bethel College **Wind Ensemble concert**, Krehbiel Auditorium, Luyken Fine Arts Center, featuring works by Maslanka, Curiale, Holst, Chance, Ticheli and Sheldon.

Apr. 27, beginning at 12:30 P.M.: Annual **URICA Symposium** at Bethel College, with student posters and presentations in various campus locations. For a complete schedule, see <<https://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/urica-symposium>>.

Apr. 27, 6-8 P.M.: **Reception for the annual Student Art Exhibit**, featuring the work of Bethel College students in a variety of media, Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 A.M.-4 P.M., Sun. 2-4 P.M. Exhibit remains through May 5.

Apr. 27-30: **Tomato Plant Girl:** While theatre lovers of all ages will enjoy this production, it will delight young audiences with its physical action and playful, high-energy conflict highlighting the issues of bullying and acceptance of others. Learn more at <hesston.edu/theatre>.

Apr. 28, 9:30-11:00 A.M.: **Donor Appreciation Come & Go Event** for Peace Connections at Dyck Arboretum of the Plains. Music, brunch and organization updates throughout. RSVPs are encouraged: <info@peaceconnections.org> or 316-284-0000.

Apr. 29, 9 A.M.-1 P.M.: Friends of the Kauffman Museum will hold a **sale of antiques, vintage items and artwork** at the museum's front entrance and in the auditorium. More info at

<kauffmanmuseum.org/event/friends-of-the-museum-vintage-antique-art-sale/>.

Apr. 29, 2-4 P.M.: Newton Et Cetera Shop's board of directors will host a **farewell reception** for general manager Sara Dick at the shop (619 N. Main in downtown Newton). You're invited to stop by to celebrate seven years of Sara's leadership and wish her well!

Apr. 29, 7 P.M.: The **500th anniversary of Anabaptism** in 2025 gives the church a unique opportunity to celebrate and dream. To celebrate all the ways God has been faithful, and to dream about how we can mend what's been broken. Join this special event at Whitestone Menn. Ch. (Hesston). John D. Roth, project director, and Mitch Stutzman, director of development and partner engagement will talk about the *Anabaptism at 500 Project* and share the vision behind the *Anabaptist Community Bible*. The event will include an update on the status of the project and a time for questions and conversation. Live-stream at <<https://www.youtube.com/@WhitestoneMennoniteChurch>>.

Apr. 30, 4 P.M. (*note time change*): **Masterworks concert** at Memorial Hall, Bethel College, featuring the Oratorio Chorus, orchestra and soloists, directed by Dr. Henry Waters, performing Beethoven's *Fantasia, Op. 80* ("Choral Fantasy") and Mozart's *Krönungsmesse* ("Coronation Mass").

The Apr. edition of ***On the Level*** is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: learn why some volunteers feel driven to be a part of the RV; search and rescue volunteers in Arkansas help bring closure to a grieving family; and volunteers in Florida deliver hope just in time for Easter. Read more at: <<https://conta.cc/3USbIhq>>.

May 1, 7 P.M.: Bethel College **Steel Drum Band concert**, directed by Brad Shores, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken FAC.

You can already register for Camp Mennoscah's **summer youth camps** at <<https://campmennoscah.campbrainregistration.com/>>. The summer theme is FruitFULL Faith. Get ready to learn and sing about the Fruit of the Spirit this summer—it's not a coconut!

Camp Mennoscah has been offered a matching gift—we've been invited to raise money that will be matched, dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000. In response to this generous gift, Camp Mennoscah has launched the **M&M Project!** M&M stands for Mission and Maintenance. We know you will want to be in on this opportunity to continue our Mission at Camp—to be a place where all can renew themselves, their relationships, and their connection with God through Jesus Christ. Here's how that can happen! We are planning two major ways for people to give to the M&M project. First, we would ask churches who are supporters of Camp Mennoscah to put together a fundraising event this year that would specifically benefit the M&M Project. The second way Camp Mennoscah would like to raise money for the M&M project is through monthly pledges. We would like to see 100 "giving units" give \$1,000 each by the end of 2023. A "giving unit" (we'll call them "Fire Keepers") could be any individual or group who would pledge money to make sure this generous gift is honored by matching the funds. For more info, check out the Camp Mennoscah website, or contact Tammy Duvanel Unruh.

Camp Mennoscah has scholarship funds to assist campers who might not otherwise be able to attend a week of camp; they are due by May 1. To request scholarship funds, complete the form: <<https://campmennoscah.socs.net/vnews/display.v/ART/5e41970817def>>. Questions can be directed to 620-297-3290 or <olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org>. Donations to the scholarship fund are most welcome (if Camp Mennoscah gives the same amount in scholarships as last year, the account will be depleted). Gifts can be made online at <https://tithely.com/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/278483> or sent to Camp Mennoscah, PO Box 65, Murdock, KS, 67111 with "Scholarship Fund" in the memo.

May 1: Newton Et Cetera Shop's 2023 **Local Giving Grant applications** are due. Info and a link for the application can be found at <newtonetceterashop.com/local-giving-fund/>.

May 2, 7 P.M.: Bethel College **Voice Studio recital**, Ad Building chapel; Soyoun Chun, instructor.

May 2, 6:30 P.M.: A Newton Et Cetera Shop **Volunteer Event** will be held at Shalom Menn. Ch. (Newton). Current and former volunteers as well as anyone interested in becoming a volunteer at the shop are invited. Join us to learn more about our mission and opportunities to get involved. Your work supports MCC! 30% of MCC's annual budget comes from thrift shops across the US.

Volunteers are still needed for some weeks this summer at Camp Mennoscah! Nurses needed for the weeks of June 18-23, Junior I Camp, and July 9-14, Junior High II Camp. As a nurse, you are a vital part of camp life. Your work to keep everyone healthy and well means campers and staff are ready to play and learn during their time at camp. Nurses must be a registered nurse (RN). A head cook(s) is needed for PreJunior II camp, June 25-29 (kitchen helpers are needed for various camp weeks as well). The head cook is in charge of leading kitchen staff in the preparation of meals and snacks that keep campers energetic, smiling, and ready to enjoy the full camp days (Camp Mennoscah can provide a menu, if wanted, and will order groceries and get kitchen staff). Head cooks and nurses receive either a stipend or a camper discount up to full camp fees. Also, Camp is still looking for counselors for the 2023 summer youth camps. Indicate your interest at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe_-NZP6WYMV7KImvy3D_4WUXjt_XBXWVyvUjPXqh2GHoegaQ/viewform>. Counselors must be at least 17 years old and 5 years older than the campers. Weekly program directors will contact people, as needed. Questions about any of these opportunities? Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 or e-mail <olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org>.

May 3, 7 P.M.: Bethel College **Jazz on the Green** (Krehbiel Auditorium if rain).

May 5, 2-4 P.M.: **Bridges Out of Poverty Volunteer training**, by Harvey County Circle of Hope / Peace Connections. Info posted. (Peace Connections is also looking for a Summer Enrichment Coordinator for the Activities for Kids program; paid position).

May 7, 7 P.M.: **Woven and Open Road joint concert** at Bethel College, Memorial Hall.

Lyrics

In the Garden (*public domain*)

1. I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.

Chorus

And He walks with me, and He talks with me
And He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known

2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing.

3. I stayed in the garden with Him
Tho' the night all around me is falling;
But He bids me go, through the voice of woe,
His voice to me is calling.

Sanctuary (*Thompson / Scruggs; ©1982, Full Armor Pub. Co.*)

Chorus

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you

1. It is you, Lord, who came to save
The heart and soul of every man
It is you, Lord, who knows my weakness
Who gives me strength, with thine own hand

2. Lead me on, Lord, from temptation
Purify me from within
Fill my heart with your Holy Spirit
Take away all my sin