

Last Week at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship attendance: (with 2 visitors: YouTube 10x2)	c.94
Offering:	
MCC Sale Expenses	\$645
WDC	\$150
Local fund	\$21,656
(\$23,853 needed per budget)	

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SS classes meet	9:45 A.M., Feb. 4
Worship	10:45 A.M., Feb. 4
Game Night	6-7:30 P.M., Feb. 4
Spiritual Life Board Meeting	6 P.M., Feb. 7

Wednesday Evening Activities

Meal:	6:00 P.M., Feb. 7
Youth Activities/Adult Bible Study	6:30 P.M., Feb. 7
Elementary Youth Volunteers: Peggy/Kristy	
Choir	7:25 P.M., Feb 7

Next Sunday at Zion Mennonite Church

Worship Leader: Margaret Brewer	Next Sun.
Accompanist /Vocalist/Prelude: Margaret/Carol	Next Sun.
Speaker:	Next Sun.
Children's Time:??	Next Sun.
Offering: Mennonite College(s) (donor specification)	Next Sun.
AV: Wes Brewer	Next Sun.
Greeters: Don & Peggy Regier	Next Sun.

Calendar of Upcoming Zion Events

Sunday School Picnic (More details to come)	June 9
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Pray and Give Thanks This Week for...

- Thank you for the cards, words of comfort, and acts of kindness received after the passing of our mother Vi Graber. We were blessed by your thoughtfulness.
~David/Karen Andres and family
- humble dependence upon the Lord in every situation.

Zion Mennonite Church

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February 4, 2024

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

Gathering	“Holy, Holy, Holy”	VT#76
Welcome, Introductions, Announcements	Margaret Brewer	
Prelude	Brett/Caleb	
Call to Worship		

L: Place your trust in the Lord, for God will provide.

P: There are times when we are so fearful.

L: Place your trust in the Lord, for God is with you.

P: There are times when we wonder if we can get past our troubles.

L: Come, place your trust in the Lord, every day, in all your ways.

P: Lord, we come to you, seeking your healing love and mercy.

All: AMEN.

Offering *Local Fund*

(Offering plate located in the back of the sanctuary – youth bring forward for prayer)

Children's Time	Matt Regier
Song	“10,000 Reasons/ Bless the Lord” VT#111
Scripture	Mark 6: 30-34, Psalm 23
Sermon	“The Pause that Refreshes” Susan Janzen
Response Song	“In the Rifted Rock I’m Resting” VT#619
Sharing of Our Life Together	John Janzen
Prayer	

Benediction Susan Janzen

Worship Leader: Margaret Brewer	Music: Brett Klingenberg
Sermon: Susan Janzen	AV: Matt Regier
Greeters: Reynold & Deanna Entz	

Our worship is live-streamed and recorded. To access go to:
<https://www.zionmenno.org/watch-live.html> OR
<https://www.youtube.com/@zionmennonitechurch-elbing5666/streams>
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Office Administrators: All bulletin items, notes/information to be sent out to the congregation through email needs to be sent to:
office.zionelbing@gmail.com
by Thursdays at 3 P.M.

Congregational Announcements

PASTORAL CARE NEEDS: Until we have a pastor in place, you can notify the deacons of pastoral care needs by emailing zionelbing@gmail.com or by contacting **John Janzen** or **Lisa Scott** directly. **Pastor Weldon Martens** from Grace Hill is available for emergency-related pastoral care (i.e. hospitalizations, deaths, and funerals). You can call/text Pastor Weldon at 402-202-9276 or reach him via email at Weldon.Martens@gmail.com.

GAME NIGHT!! Please join us for an outreach event of snacks and games. We will meet at the church on Sunday, Feb. 4 from 6-7:30p. Feel free to invite a friend!

THEN THERE WERE TWO....

PreK/K (4 kids) and 6th/7th/8th (5-7 kids) Sunday School classrooms in need of teachers for the Spring quarter which begins on March 3rd. Please contact Deanna Entz if you would be willing to meet a need for the children of the church.

A NEW EMAIL: The Zion A/V department has an email address. It is <av.zionelbing@gmail.com>. Please use this for any A/V questions, presentations, etc.

FRIENDSHIP DAY CARDS: Zion is once again joining with other local Mennonite churches to ensure that all incarcerated individuals at Chase County Jail receive a Friendship Day (Valentine's Day) card. Many of these individuals are in detention due to their immigration status. We write to let them know we care about them and desire justice on their behalf. Zion is responsible for approximately 50 cards. Cards in both English and Spanish are available under the mailboxes for your use. Write a simple message such as **"Happy Friendship Day! We wish the best for you today and every day. You have not been forgotten by us or in the eyes of God"** and **sign your first name**. Return your cards to Annette's mailbox by **Wednesday, February 7.** Please do not seal the envelope; we will mail all the cards together. For questions contact Annette.

MY COINS COUNT.... The big water jug at the back of the sanctuary is available for collecting spare change. The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale will be using it to help those that don't have access to safe drinking water. Thanks for your support.

Other Organizations

Now in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College – **“Forest Listening,”** a sound art installation by Liz K. Miller, through Feb. 9. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-4 p.m.

Western District Conference invites you to a come-and-go **Open House** on Saturday, February 10, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm at the WDC office, 2517 North Main Street, North Newton, KS. This is in addition to the WDC Library Open House and Book Sale already announced. Check out what’s new in the Resource Library, browse the used-book sale, enjoy refreshments, chat with staff, and celebrate WDC’s newly renovated office spaces!

Make medicare an easy step: Everence will hold its popular Medicare workshop at its office in North Newton on Thursday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m. Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare. The in-person workshop will be held at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. Those interested in attending should contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Fri., March 1, 7 p.m., **Kipcor Peace Lecture** at Bethel College with Christina Swarns, executive director of the Innocence Project

Sat., March 2, **Justice Symposium** at Bethel College

MCC Central States annual meeting, Saturday, March 2 at 10 a.m. You are invited to join the meeting in-person or virtually to hear MCC U.S. Executive Director Ann Graber Hershberger share an MCC update. Please email centralstates@mcc.org if you would like the Zoom link to join virtually. Otherwise, join us at MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St in North Newton, Kansas.

Mark your calendar now for the 16th annual **MCC Comforter Blitz, March 4-6**. If you can tie a knot, you can make a difference! Curious to find out more? Please check mcc.org/comforter-blitz or the Kansas MCC Comforter Blitz page on Facebook. The blitz takes place on Monday, March 4 from 9am-5pm, Tuesday, March 5 from 9am-9pm and Wednesday, March 6 from 9am-4pm at 3605 East Longview Rd. Haven, KS. Questions? Please contact brociamueller@mcc.org.

WDC Gifts Discernment Committee Announcement: The WDC Gifts Discernment Committee is at work again seeking to identify leaders for the conference. While we always welcome any nominations or suggestions of people who might have leadership gifts to share, **this year we are specifically looking again for help in discerning nominees for the role of Moderator-elect**. Please prayerfully consider if there is someone in your community (or yourself) who might be called to this important leadership role in the conference.