

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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Zion Activities this Week

Sunday, May 22~ Baptism Sunday

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)

9:30 am ~ Worship (in-person & Zoom)

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

Monday, May 23

10:00 am ~ Staff Meeting (office)

6:00 pm ~ Preschool Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 24

10:00 am ~ Zoom Bible Study

Wednesday, May 25

9:00 am ~ Pastor Peer

5:30 pm ~ Family Meal

6:30 pm ~ Zion 101 (310)

7:00 pm ~ CHAOS (7th & 8th)

Thursday, May 26

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer (fellowship hall)

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

Friday, May 27

Start of MCUSA Delegate Session in Kansas City

Sunday, May 29

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)

9:30 am ~ Worship (in-person & Zoom)

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

Office News

~ Dan Miller's contact information is danm.zionmc@gmail.com and 574-238-1883

~ Sue & Corben will be out of the office at the delegate session Friday, May 27th, through Monday, May 30th.

Happy Anniversary:

May 27 - Steve & Sarah Hastings (16)

Happy Birthday:

May 23 - Eileen Nyce, Sherri Plank

May 24 - Ruth Matthews

May 25 - Luanne Aschliman, Joy Betts

May 28 - Linda Nafziger

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Karen Ringenberg

Interlude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Karen Ringenberg

Opening Song ~ Julia Richer

"Guide My Feet" (HWB 546)

Offertory Prayer/Music ~ Karen Ringenberg/Bonnie Stuckey

Prayer for the Church and World ~ Mike Zimmerman

Song ~ Julia Richer

"Be Thou My Vision" (HWB 545)

Scripture Reading ~ Isaiah 63:7-14

Song ~ Julia Richer

"Comfort, Comfort, O My People" (HWB 176)

Scripture Reading ~ Matthew 3:13-17

Sermon ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Baptism Reflections ~ Ella Richer, Keegan Wyse,

Micah Frankenfield, Jordan Rodriguez

Benediction ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Sending Song ~ Julia Richer

"Praise God From Whom" (HWB 118)

Walk to Pond for Baptisms (weather permitting)



By God's Grace, Zion Mennonite Church will be a House of Peace where all people are invited to share Christ's love with each other and the world.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 22nd - Celebrating the baptisms of Ella Richer, Keegan Wyse, Micah Frankenfield, and Jordan Rodriguez.

Friday, May 27th– Monday, May 30th - MCUSA Special Delegate Session in Kansas City.

Sunday, June 5th - Celebrating Sue's ordination: shortened Sunday school time and a provided luncheon following.

Donuts with Dan Update

48 people have participated so far in the six groups of Donuts with Dan held this week – mostly older folks. If you haven't signed up yet take a look at sign-up sheets in the fellowship hall. So far, there have not been many families, youth, or new people. If the posted schedule of meetings does not work, let's talk about better possibilities! YOU ARE WANTED!

In the meantime, here are a few reflections:

- About 25% of participants report being raised at Zion, leaving 75% that came from outside.
- There has been strong affirmation for the variety of music at Zion and the variety of people up front.
- People enjoy the energy in the fellowship hall after worship.

~ Dan Miller

Donuts With Dan

One way that we would like to welcome pastor Dan is to give him a chance to get to know us here at Zion. Dan says that having conversations helps him to put faces with names. Not the social kind, where we say, "Hi. I'm Dan. Nice to meet you. See you next week." So we'd like to try meeting with groups of up to eight people at a time. Dan would like to include children and teenagers and adults of all ages. We can call it ***Donuts with Dan***. (No guarantees about what food will be available – one of the first things you'll learn about Dan is that he's gluten-free so there may not actually be donuts there... but maybe something better!)

The conversation can move wherever you want to go, and if we need ideas, Dan has some questions to bring:

- What drew you to Zion Mennonite Church? Why have you stayed?
- Is there a gift you received out of the conflict resolution work several years ago?
- If you had a magic wand you could wave over Zion and initiate one change, what change would that be?

Groups begin May 15.

- Sign up on sheets in the fellowship hall on a table across from the coffee bar. (available times below)
- If you aren't able to sign up today, please call Bethany in the office to find a time that suits you.
- As much as possible sign up for a time with people outside your usual group
- Use one line on the sign-ups for each member of the household, including children.
- Groups will meet in the MYF room.

This is a good opportunity for us to welcome Dan to Zion and we would love for everyone to sign up! Thank you so much!

Sunday May 22 - 3:00 & 5:00 **(3pm group full)**

Monday May 23 - 4:00 & 7:00

Wednesday May 25 - 7:00

Thursday May 26 - 10:00, 2:00 & 7:00

Missions & Service Team (MiST)

I'd like to add a plea from MiST to anyone/any group (SS, family group, friend group, etc) to consider making a **community meal** some time during the summer or fall. Again, St John's will provide the labor for setting up, serving and cleaning up. They would appreciate relief from making the meal once in awhile! We only have to transport it (and MiST can help find help for that, if that's a barrier for you!). Thanks, and you can contact Lori [419.966.0275] for MiST.

MiST will be contacting those interested in bringing/sponsoring immigrants very soon to move forward on this. The San Antonio Mennonite Church has quite a few families/folks ready to move to a job and community. If you didn't sign up to participate and would like to do so, please add your name to the list by contacting Bethany in the office OR Lori Bontrager/Ilse Goertz/Duane Wyse/Frank and Cara Ulrich/LouAnn Kanagy. Thanks! We'll be meeting via zoom soon.

New Announcements

Family Meal: Wednesday the 25th at 5:30 we will be having a Family Meal. Come enjoy a meal of home-made subs and fellowship around the table. This will be the last Family Meal until Fall.

FISH Pantry: June is Zion's month to bring in food to stock the FISH food pantry's shelves! See the back of today's order of service for a list of needs, or pick up a half sheet from the table outside the office. Food items can be left on the same table. Monetary donations can be left in the office or through the offering, just mark so on your envelope. Zion will be collecting items through the month of June.

Zion 101: Recognizing that we have a number of new persons who have been participating in the life of our congregation, the pastors have been talking about offering a one session class that would serve as an orientation or introduction to Zion. Since Corben's last Sunday with us has moved up a few weeks, we'd like to do this sooner rather than later. While the class is geared toward those who are new to Zion, anyone else from the congregation who is interested is also welcome. Identical sessions of Zion 101 will be offered on two different dates: Wednesday, May 25th @ 6:30pm in room 310 (following the Family Meal), OR Sunday, June 12th in the MYF room during the Sunday School hour. Contact Corben or Sue if you have any questions.

A Call to Prayer: Ohio Conference is inviting congregations to pray, beginning today and continuing on through next week, for our Conference, for credentialed ministry leaders, for Ohio Conference delegates, and for all MC USA delegates. The Conference also invites those who are physically able to consider a time of fasting during next week as they pray. MC USA created a prayer guide with scripture and reflections for each day next week. Click this link to access the resource: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Delegate-Assembly-Prayer-Guide.pdf>

MCC in need of material resources: MCC is resuming shipments of material resources to Ukraine. Five containers of emergency supplies are being shipped to Ukraine in the next few months with more planned for later in the year. With this increase in demand for supplies for Ukraine and other countries around the world, MCC's inventory of material resources is getting low. ***We need comforters and relief, hygiene, school, dignity, infant care and sewing kits, as well as soap and towels.*** Your donations will provide relief and a tangible sign of hope to people in Ukraine and other difficult situations around the world. Go to mcc.org/kits for information on needed supplies and drop-off locations.

Don't Forget

It's My Coins Count time again at Zion! Last year Zion raised \$1,835.22! Your collections will help provide clean water to families around the world through Mennonite Central Committee and its partners funding projects like building cisterns in [Bolivia](#), latrines in [DR Congo](#), and drilling wells in Ethiopia and Mozambique. Families are invited to bring coins to add to the collection at the church, on Sunday June 19th, which will be dropped off and counted at the Care and Share Home Store on Sat., June 25. Adults can support the drive by offering to match the amount collected by the children! Access to clean water helps children remain healthy, go to school, eat better food, helps families stay together, and reduces community conflicts. Thank you for making a difference in the world through MyCC and MCC!

CPC Baby Bottle Bank Campaign Now through Father's Day (June 19), the CPC Women's Health Resource is collecting spare change. Would you consider taking a baby bottle and filling it up? The monies help rescue children and families from abortion. Every human life is precious. Whether planned or unplanned, each life is unique and created with wonderful potential and possibility. Thank you for supporting this important ministry. You can pick up a bottle at any of the CPC locations. For more information about CPC's ministry, visit <https://cpcnwo.org/>. Pose with your bottle and share the pic on social media.

Join Adriel in celebrating National Foster Care Month by bidding on a number of fun and unique items to raise money for our organization. The more bids made, the more money raised, and the bigger impact we will have on the lives of children and families in our community. We invite you to visit Adriel's virtual auction webpage NOW to register and again on MAY 26th to begin making your bids. To learn more, go to www.adriel.org and look for "Benefit Auction" under the "How You Can Help" tab or visit <https://www.biddingforgood.com/AdrielBenefit> to register today! Until EVERY child lives in a safe and loving home, Adriel will be a premier provider of exceptional care for children in need. Your support and donations empower us to continue to provide quality care for children in the spirit of Christian love.

MCC invites you to the upcoming free webinar: Gardening for good: Creation care tips for your backyard and stories from Bolivia: May 26 at 8 p.m. EDT In this virtual visit, we'll explore what it looks like to care for the planet, from our own backyards to remote Bolivian communities. Join us to learn gardening and conservation tips in your own garden, then travel south to hear incredible stories from MCC's projects in Bolivia. Register here: mcc.org/mcc-virtual-visits

Multicultural Peace Collaborative for young adults: The 2nd annual Multicultural Peace Collaboration is bringing together young leaders from various backgrounds, communities and ethnicities in an effort to learn from one another, understand justice and move towards reconciliation. Join us for this experience of Christ-centered peacemaking as we are immersed in local and historical Latinx contexts while journeying from San Diego to Fresno, California, on June 14-22. More information and registration: mailchi.mp/93b2f1e07d8d/mpc2022

East Garden cookouts: There is an opportunity to help with the East Garden cookout on Thursday, June 23. Sign up on the table across from the mailboxes.

Formation Team needs a variety of people to fill different roles in our youth formation programs next year. If you would like to be a part of forming the faith of our young people, **you can find the sign-up sheet across from the mailboxes.** Sunday School teachers are needed for primary (K-5th), junior high (6th-8th), and high school (9th-12th). There are a few spaces under each age range in case multiple teachers would like to rotate Sundays. ZOW (Zion on Wednesday; K-5th) will meet the first and third Wednesday of every month and is in need of helpers, including those who can oversee various stations. Chaos (6th-8th) will meet the first three Wednesdays of the month and is in need of four people to provide leadership. **If you have questions about any of these roles, feel free to talk to Sarah Frankenfield.** If you would like to be a part of our youth formation and the above roles don't feel like the right fit, one of the pastors would be glad to talk more about what that could look like!