

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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May 8, 2022

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Zion Activities this Week

Sunday, May 8~ Mothers Day/Dan's Installation

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)

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

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

Monday, May 9

10:00 am ~ Staff Meeting (office)

11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers (310)

4:30 pm ~ SLT (office)

6:30 pm ~ Worship Team

Tuesday, May 10

10:00 am ~ Zoom Bible Study

6:00 pm ~ Church Council (fellowship hall)

Wednesday, May 11

9:00 am ~ Mennonite Women (fellowship hall)

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

7:00 pm ~ MYF (High school)

Thursday, May 12

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

6:30 pm ~ Preschool Graduation (sanctuary & FH)

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

Friday, May 13

6:30 pm ~ Preschool Graduation (sanctuary & FH)

Sunday, May 15~ Graduation Sunday

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)

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

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

Office News

~ Sue and Stan will be returning from their vacation Saturday evening, May 7th.

~ LAST CHANCE to clean out your mailboxes before they will be moved! It will be much easier if the mailboxes are empty. **Tuesday, May 10th, is the expected day.** Thanks!

Happy Birthday:

May 8 - Abby Pennington, Rachel Aeschliman

May 11 - Tom Stuckey

May 12 - Kellie Creighton

May 13 - Todd Berry

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Suz Wirick

Interlude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Suz Wirick

Opening Song ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Come we that love the Lord” (HWB 14)

Scripture Reading ~ Psalm 106:1-6, 47-48

Offertory Prayer/Music ~ Suz Wirick/Bonnie Stuckey

Scripture Reading ~ Philippians 2:5-11, John 3:16

Sermon Conversation

Installation ~ Tony Doehrmann

Song ~ Cheryl Britsch

“In the bulb there is a flower” (HWB 614)

Communion

Prayer for the Church and World ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Congregational Song ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Great is thy faithfulness” (HWB 327)

Benediction ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Sending Song ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Guide my feet” (HWB 546)



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 8th - Tony Doehrmann, our Regional Pastor, will be here to officially install Dan.

Sunday, May 15th - Celebrating our high school graduating seniors

Sunday, May 22nd - Celebrating baptisms

Sunday, June 5th - Celebrating Sue's ordination

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 15 - 3:00 & 5:00

Monday May 16 - 2:00 & 4:00

Thursday May 19 - 4:00 & 7:00

Sunday May 22 - 3:00 & 5:00

Monday May 23 - 4:00 & 7:00

Wednesday May 25 - 7:00

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

Picture Wall

We would like to continue to add more individual and family pictures to the "Church Family" bulletin board in the fellowship hall. If you would like to be included, please put a 4"x6" print in Rachel (and Brad) Short's mailbox or you can email a digital copy to her (rmshort67@gmail.com). We want to keep this growing!

Thank You

A special thanks to the CHAOS kids and Jodi, their leader, for serving and cleaning up on Wednesday night for Family Meal. You did a great job and your help was very much appreciated. ~ Fellowship committee

New Announcements

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.

Congregational Care: Members of the Congregational Care team will meet Monday, May 9 at 11:00 am in the Builders classroom.

New Announcements Continued...

Mennonite Women will meet Wednesday, May 11 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Corben Weaver Boshart will lead the meditation, the noon meal will be furnished.

Check out the sand art display the kids at ZOW (preschool-6th) made this past Wednesday night.

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 mail-boxes. **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!

MCC invites you to a free upcoming webinar: Welcoming newcomers and addressing the trauma of migration: Tuesday, May 10 at 2 p.m. EDT Join Saulo Padilla, MCC U.S. immigration education coordinator, and Elaine Zook Barge, a trauma and resilience educator and consultant, for this webinar. Learn how trauma and resilience-informed individuals, churches and communities can be better equipped to ensure the overall well-being of newcomers and their receiving community. Register here: bit.ly/3OR8w25

When God calls someone to leadership, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Ohio Conference invites you to join Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program. This program is for lay leaders, pastors, church planters, and other emerging leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to ministry. The early registration deadline to apply for fall 2022 is July 12, with the final registration deadline on August 9, 2022. For more information visit www.ams.edu/journey, or contact your pastor, or Dick Barrett at ohioconferenceminister@gmail.com or 937-935-2549.

Don't Forget

Hospitality Hosts Needed: Zion enjoys being able to open our building as rental space for special events for those from outside the congregation. For regular Zion meetings and activities planned by those within the congregation, the persons directly involved typically take care of their own needs, or ask others for help. It would be helpful to have several hosts who could serve as a point of contact for persons from outside the congregation using our space, particularly for events such as non-member rehearsals/weddings held on Friday evenings or on Saturdays. This would likely be only a couple of times per year. We are looking for a hospitable person, or a small group of persons, who'd be willing to help with the following:

- Serving as the point person, in coordination with the church office, to be present to greet those using the building when they arrive, answer questions about the building, and locate items that may be needed for events.
- Making sure the group has the names/phone numbers of the host(s) and trustees, in case they are needed during an event.
- Being available to lock/unlock the building, if needed
- Stopping back in after a Friday evening or Saturday event is over to make sure things are back in place for Sunday morning.

If you are interested in serving in this hospitality host ministry, please leave your name with Bethany in the church office.

Funeral Meal Pies: If you would like to help with pies for memorial meals, you can give money to Bethany in the church office. The cost of a pie at this time is \$12. Thank you for responding to providing pies for memorial meals. Funeral Meal Coordinators - Bonnie Stuckey & Glora Belle Yoder

Burger Bash – Sunday, May 15, Ruihley Park, Archbold: The Community's Burger Bash is returning to Archbold's Ruihley Park on Sunday, May 15 serving from 11-1. Please stop in to enjoy a burger and make the world a better place. The free-will donations will fund two critical projects in Haiti. Local cattle feeders have an on-going relationship (and a board seat) with Growing Hope Globally, the international organization that not only sends money to areas in need, but knowledgeable people to work and walk beside community members. The Haiti project aims to improve agricultural practices to create healthier crops and animals for a brighter tomorrow. Please join us to help fund this effort for our struggling neighbors to the south.

SLT Newsletter April, 11, 2022

Devotions: Mike used John 12:1-8. He referenced the act of Mary using a costly perfume to wash Jesus' feet. Mike challenged us asking; "Are we truly giving of ourselves to Jesus"?

Update on Conference: It is time for Zion to register our delegates for the conference; our delegates are: Ilse Goertz, Sue Short, Greg Nofziger/Mike Zimmerman (depending on who can attend). A great deal of time was spent on how to equip the delegates with information in preparation for the conference and at the same time making space for the congregation to voice their feelings and concerns. As the spiritual leadership team we want to be clear on our decisions and avoid creating dissention in our "House of Peace". Corben, Greg and Mike met to work towards a plan to use for a "listening session" with the congregation on Sunday April 24th during Sunday school hour. We discussed the plan and established two goals going in to the congregational meeting: 1. Make it a spiritual event. Open with prayer. Explain how membership happens in MCUSA and review what came out of our last membership meeting. 2. LISTEN to thoughts, concerns and ideas from congregants to discern the direction for Zion to equip our delegates and stay united in peace and love. Close with prayer. An informational letter will be presented to the congregation on Sunday April 17th; suggesting it may be beneficial to read the MCUSA delegate resolutions prior to the "listening session." Copies of this document will be available across from the mailboxes and on the MCUSA's website.

Review May 1st Meeting with Dan Miller: We are excited to welcome Dan into our church family in the coming weeks! We agreed to invite Dan to attend Sunday morning May 1, 2022 as a guest. On May 8th Tony Doehrmann our Regional Pastor will install him during the morning service. We agreed it would be beneficial for Dan as well as the entire congregation to make name tags available at the entrances. This will be temporary but we feel it will help Dan begin to put a name with a face and will serve a dual purpose as an aid to better acquaint ourselves with new attendees and vice versa. We also want to provide opportunities for the congregation to get to know Dan by signing up for small group times, perhaps called "Donuts with Dan."

New Business: Discussed reactions from the congregation on our Sunday announcement of Dan Miller coming as Interim pastor. Comments were few and we agreed that Dan should be the one to decide how much information he wants to share. Also, we discussed our elder responsibilities for Maundy Thursday service and Sunday Morning Easter Service. It was also noted that on Maundy Thursday we set out a collection plate for donations to our Zion Aid Fund. We discussed adding a fifth elder back on the ballot for the new fiscal year beginning in September 2022. Sue requested our prayers for her upcoming interview for credentialing that she would be attending along with Tony Doehrmann our Regional Pastor.

Respectfully submitted by Suz Wirick