

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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June 12, 2022

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Zion Activities this week

Sunday, June 12

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)

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

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

10:45 am ~ Zion 101 (MYF Room)

Monday, June 13

10:00 am ~ Staff Meeting

11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers

6:00 pm ~ SLT

Wednesday, June 15

10:30 am ~ Pastor's Gathering (off campus)

Thursday, June 16

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

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

Saturday, June 18

9am-5pm ~ Fellowship Hall/Kitchen Reserved

Sunday, June 19

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)

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

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

10:45 am ~ Synopsis of Special Delegate Session

Office News

~ Dan will be in the office Monday, Thursday and Friday this week.

~ Sue and Corben will be out of the office on Wednesday, June 15th.

~ Dan's phone is 574-238-1883 and his email is danm.zionmc@gmail.com

~ Bethany will be working Tuesday, Thursday and Friday through the summer. Barb Yoder will be covering the office most Mondays.

Happy Anniversary:

June 15 - Pete & Crystal Rodriguez (20)

June 17 - Jerry & Ladonna Andres (27)

June 17 - Duane & Nedra Sauder (55)

June 17 - Larry & Elaine Short (50)

Happy Birthday:

June 13 - Scott Yoder

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Karen Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Karen Ruth

Interlude ~ Karen Stuckey

Fairlawn Report ~ Tom Stuckey & Mari Yoder

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Karen Ruth

Hymns ~ Anita Roth

“Holy Spirit, Come With Power” (HWB 26)

“In Thy Holy Place We Bow” (HWB 2)

Offertory Prayer/Music ~ Karen Ruth/Karen Stuckey

Prayer for the Church and World ~ Dan Miller

Jacob's Tale ~ Karen Ruth ~ *based on Genesis 25-33*

Sermon ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Special Music ~ Kate Roth ~ “Come O Thou Traveler Unknown”

Communion

Benediction ~ Corben Weaver Boshart

Sending Song ~ Anita Roth

“The Love Of God” (STJ 44)



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, June 12th - Zion 101

Sunday, June 19th - Synopsis of Special Delegate Session

Sunday, June 26th - Honoring Corben & Mara on their last Sunday.

Thank You

Thank you your prayers for my grandson Johnathan. He is now at home recovering from his accident. I am so grateful that he was wearing a helmet and also for the many prayers that were said for Johnathan and his family.

~ Glora Belle Yoder

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 Caregivers will meet Monday, June 13th at 11:00 am in room 310.

The Soujourners Sunday school class is meeting on Sunday at 8:30 am in room 310. Currently the class is discussing various articles in *Anabaptist World*. The article for today (June 12) is "This class is special" on page 13 of the May 27 issue. Anyone who would enjoy attending this class is welcome.

MCC is seeking SWAP Location Coordinators in Harlan, Kentucky. MCC Appalachia's SWAP (Sharing With Appalachian People) program coordinates week-long service opportunities for young people and adults, to provide housing repair for low-income individuals and families. The Location Coordinators will plan and direct all aspects of the SWAP ministry in Harlan, Kentucky, and report directly to the Appalachia Program Coordinator. The MCC Location Coordinator role will be filled by a married couple sharing the role, employed full time sharing the tasks and responsibilities. In the SWAP "off-season", this position may be developed in various ways depending on the gifts and interests of the applicants. Apply online for this opening at mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/swap-harlan-location-coordinators. For more information contact Amber Falcón at 574-534-4133 or AmberFalcon@mcc.org.

Don't Forget

MCC Great Lakes launches new initiative: Churches Engaging on Climate Change (CECC): In light of MCC's commitment to care for God's creation and accompany marginalized communities harmed by climate change, MCC is looking for congregations interested in engaging in climate change in their own communities. CECC offers education and advocacy opportunities, connections with local partners and seed grants. Learn more and sign up for additional information at mcc.org/churches-climate-change.

Sons & Daughters of Thunder is an Emmy® nominated and award-winning docudrama showcased at the Fayette Opera House on Saturday, June 25. Doors open at 1:00PM. The event is sponsored by Bean Creek Valley History Center. Tickets can be purchased by calling 419-237-2721 and are 10 dollars or group tickets (over 10) for 8 dollars. Sons & Daughters of Thunder is based on the play by Earlene Hawley and Curtis Heeter, and tells the unforgettable true story of the beginning of the end of slavery in America.

Update on Special Delegate Session: over Memorial weekend, delegates Mike Zimmerman, Ilse Goertz, and Sue Short, along with Corben Weaver Boshart (present, but not a delegate), attended the Special Delegate Session in Kansas City. Delegates were each assigned to table groups with others from around the country. There was a wide range of perspectives represented at each table, as well as an attitude of respectful and healthy dialogue throughout the weekend. The Resolution for Justice in the Criminal Legal System was presented at this gathering for study and processing around tables. The Accessibility Resolution passed unanimously. The Membership Guidelines Resolution passed by 82.8% (to retire). The Resolution for Repentance and Transformation passed by 55.7%. **We plan to offer a synopsis of the delegate session during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, June 19th.** We will likely not need the entire hour, so classes can choose to meet during the second half, if they wish.

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. Zion 101 will be offered on Sunday, June 12th in the MYF room during the Sunday School hour. Contact Corben or Sue if you have any questions.

Ongoing Opportunities to Give

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.

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.

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!

Dan's Reflection on Donuts...

A playful question in the Donuts with Dan conversations was, "If you could wave a magic wand over Zion and initiate one change, what change would that be?" Responses covered the gamut. It is an interesting list, even though you can't tell by reading whether the person was joking, being very serious, or offering a creative idea. For a bonus insight, note your emotional responses as you read.

1. Activate small groups.
2. Bring back the Zion Choir.
3. Build out the platform in the sanctuary to make more room for musicians and singers.
4. Building to not be land-locked.
5. Creative arts program.
6. Doing something that impacts the world.
7. Figure out how to use space that is too much for Zion now. Maybe rent out some space as with Project Hope?
8. Get started on pastoral search right away.
9. Increase diversity: age, socio-economic, cultural.
10. Lean into the future rather than look back.
11. More energy in worship.
12. More participation in Sunday School as places to form community.
13. More pastoral visitation.
14. More peace activities.
15. More sermons from the New Testament.
16. More variety of music styles in worship.
17. More young people and families. More money.
18. New children's programming.
19. No more conflict in the church.
20. People would come back to church from Zoom.
21. That Zion would keep growing.
22. The church do more service, like the community meal.
23. Turn sanctuary to get rid of the long, narrow space with a front and back.
24. Undo the changes due to COVID.
25. Utilize Zoom as an outreach.