

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

Phone: 419-445-3796 ~ E-mail: church.zionmc@gmail.com ~ www.zionmennonitechurch.com

300 Short Buehrer Road Archbold, OH 43502 ~ Church office hours: Monday– Friday 8:00 am—12:00 pm

Pastor Sue Short 419-346-7827

Pastor Dan Miller 574-238-1883

Project Hope: 419-445-0728

Child's World Preschool: 419-445-6034

Elder Lonnie Short 419-583-9567

Elder Greg Nofziger 419-583-6769

Elder Mike Zimmerman 419-966-7363

Elder Suz Wirick 419-966-2266

Elder Barb Yoder 567-694-3112

January 1, 2023

Zion Activities this week

Sunday, January 1 ~ *Happy New Year*

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary and zoom)

10:45 am ~ Sunday School (for MYF & CHAOS)

Monday, January 2 ~ *Office Closed*

Wednesday, January 4

7:00 pm ~ MYF

Thursday, January 5

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ Choir Practice

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

Sunday, January 8

8:30 am ~ Sojourners

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary and zoom)

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

4:00 pm ~ John Roth presentation (sanctuary and zoom)

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Karen Rodriguez

Interlude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Karen Rodriguez

Hymns ~ Julia Richer

“Praise The Lord, Sing Hallelujah” (HWB 50)

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” (HWB 210)

Offering/Offertory ~ Karen/Bonnie

Hymn ~ Julia Richer

“Oh, How Joyfully” (HWB 209)

Scripture ~ Isaiah 63:7-9

Sermon ~ Sue Short

Hymn ~ Julia Richer

“New Earth, Heavens New” (HWB 209)

Prayer for Church & World ~ Suz Wirick

Sending Hymn ~ Julia Richer

“As With Gladness Men Of Old” (HWB 218)

Benediction ~ Sue Short

Office News

~ The office will be **closed Monday, January 2nd.**

~ **Dan is available** on his cell phone whether in Archbold or Goshen. He will be working from Goshen on Wednesday and in the office Thursday and Friday this week.

~ **Sue will be out of town** on her annual retreat from Tuesday afternoon, January 3rd - Thursday afternoon, January 5th. Dan is available by phone on Wednesday, January 4th for pastoral care needs, and in person on Thursday, January 5th. For pastoral care needs on Tuesday, January 3rd, contact one of the elders, whose phone numbers are listed at the top of this newsletter.

Happy Anniversary

January 4 - Verlan & Mabel Ann Klinger (59)

Happy Birthday:

January 2 - Chloe Nofziger

January 4 - Gus Legato

January 6 - Ron Grieser



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 Worship & Events

Sunday, January 1st: 9:30am worship in sanctuary and on zoom; Sue preaching

Sunday, January 8th: 9:30am worship in sanctuary and on zoom; John Roth preaching

Sunday January 8th: 4:00pm - John Roth presentation in sanctuary and on zoom (we will be sending a different zoom link for this). Come join friends from the other area Mennonite congregations as we host John here at Zion. Learn more about the resources being created for the 500th anniversary of Anabaptism in 2025!

New Announcements

Mennonite Women will cancel their usual meeting in January. **Anyone can come to the MCC comforter bash which will be held at Central Mennonite Church from 4-8 pm on January 11th.** Nadine Miller will be speaking to the youth in the evening. *Seamstresses are needed for sewing comforter tops which are pinned and ready.

Don't Forget

Project Coordinator-Burkina Faso: MCC is seeking a Project Coordinator responsible for mentoring and building capacity of local partners towards greater independence and sustainability and, alongside the MCC Burkina Faso Country Representatives, will assist in all planning, monitoring, and evaluating activities for various projects related to conservation agriculture, peace building, education, health, and emergency assistance. If you or someone you know might be interested, learn more and apply by December 31 at mcc.org/burkina.

Seed Guatemala-El Salvador Coordinator (Español abajo): MCC is seeking a Seed Coordinator who will coordinate the second SEED Cohort for Guatemala and El Salvador. This position involves the planning, organization and implementation of a service, reflection and peace-building program with an intercultural team of young adults in the complex and enriching context of Guatemala and El Salvador. This position will be based in Guatemala and will be supervised by the MCC Representatives for Guatemala and El Salvador. If you or someone you know might be interested, learn more and apply by December 31 at mcc.org/seed-guatemala.

On the Level Announcement: The December edition of *On the Level* is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: find out why some disaster survivors may think it's absurd for MDS volunteers to help rebuild and restore; celebrate six home dedications in time for the holidays in Crisfield, MD; and get more details on how to register for the MDS annual celebration in Pennsylvania in February. **Click on this link to read more:** <https://conta.cc/3Whz2F8>

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, January 5th from 12-5 pm. The Red Cross invited Ella Richer to host again at Zion, thanks in part to the willing donors and the kindness of all who helped set up and bring food. Ella's goal is to collect a minimum of 25 units, so please spread the word outside of church as well. We would love to help her hit this goal. Please email or talk to Ella or Julia Richer (julia.richer.1001@gmail.com) to sign up to donate, or to contribute snacks to the drive. [Snack sign-up here](https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=ZIONMENN) **Register here:** <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=ZIONMENN>

The Stewardship Team is taking grant requests for the Zion endowment fund. Forms can be turned into the office or to Dan Ruth's box. Deadline for the applications is January 1, 2023.
~ Stewardship Team: Dan Ruth, Cal Britsch, Crystal Rodriguez, Larry Short, and Phil (Lynette) Bontrager