

# Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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**June 11, 2023**

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## Zion Activities this Week

### **Sunday, June 11**

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

### **Monday, June 12**

9:30 am ~ Staff

11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers

6:00 pm ~ SLT

### **Tuesday, June 13**

7:00 pm ~ Church Council

### **Wednesday, June 14**

9:00 am ~ Mennonite Women

### **Thursday, June 15**

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

### **Friday, June 16 ~ Office closed**

Church reserved for a wedding setup

### **Saturday, June 17**

Church reserved for a wedding

### **Sunday, June 18 ~ *Father's Day***

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

10:45 am ~ Sunday School

## Office News

~ Office will be closed on Fridays for the summer. Please have newsletter items to the office by Wednesday.

## Happy Birthday:

**June 11** ~ Carrie Grieser, Meleah Plank

**June 13** ~ Scott Yoder

## Happy Anniversary

**June 11** - Wendell & Bonnie Beck (58)

**June 15** - Pete & Crystal Rodriguez (21)

**June 15** - Mike & Sandy Short (21)

**June 17** - Jerry & Ladonna Andres (28)

**June 17** - Duane & Nedra Sauder (56)

**June 17** - Larry & Elaine Short (51)

## Order of Service

**Prelude** ~ Bonnie Stuckey

**Welcome & Announcements** ~ Karen Ringenberg

**Interlude** ~ Bonnie Stuckey

**Call to Worship & Prayer** ~ Karen Ringenberg

**Hymns** ~ Anita Roth

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

“New Earth, Heavens New” (HWB 299)

**Offering/Offertory** ~ Karen/Bonnie

**Hymn** ~ Anita Roth

“Teach Me Thy Truth” (HWB 548)

**Scripture** ~ Romans 12:9-13

**Sermon** ~ Sue Short

**Communion**

**Prayer for Church & World** ~ Dan Miller

**Benediction** ~ Sue Short

**Sending Hymn** ~ Anita Roth

“This Is The Day” (Screen)



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***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.***

## New Announcements

**Candidating Weekend:** Please reserve Sunday June 25th on your calendars. We will be hosting a candidate for the Open Pastoral role at Zion, and plan to have this person join us and be a part of our worship service. We'd like all who are available to join us and be a part of this process. On Sunday June 11th the Search Committee will share additional details about the candidate visit.

**Nursery Help:** You still have an opportunity to help our little ones by volunteering to help a couple of times in the nursery on Sunday mornings. There is a signup sheet on the table across from the library. Thank you

**Grace & Groundings** is Ohio Conference's resource team focusing on racial reconciliation. The team has six members, and has invited Ohio Conference (OC) congregations to set aside **next Sunday, June 18 as Social Justice Sunday in recognition of the Juneteenth holiday the following day.** This seems like a good opportunity to join with other OC congregations.

The theme for this year's Social Justice Sunday is "Race as it relates to freedom."

PS – Not sure what Juneteenth is? No judgment. This week offers everyone a chance to go exploring!

**Strawberry festival:** Salem Church is hosting a Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 17th from 4-7 pm. Lots of food to eat and entertainment. You also have the option to join the talent tent. Salem is located at 13751 s. Tripp Rd (Waldren, MI). See the bulletin board across from the bathrooms for more information and on how to sign up to be a part of the talent tent.

## Prayers for the Global Church

**Mennonite Education Agency:**

Bluffton (Ohio) University: Please pray for our faculty and staff as they prepare for the 2023-24 academic year. May they fulfill Bluffton's mission to prepare students of all backgrounds for "life as well as for vocation... and for the purposes of God's universal kingdom."

Goshen (Ind.) College: Pray for Goshen College athletes, specifically baseball, softball and track & field, whose seasons come to a close this month.

Hesston (Kan.) College: Pray for our May term students as they travel back from Japan, where they took part in a transformational cross-cultural course. Pray that the connections, learnings, and experiences will positively impact students and employees for years to come.

**Mennonite Mission Network:**

Mennonite Mission Network praises God for the ministries of Elena, Freddy and Mathías Satalaya in Bolivia and Peru. They are jointly supported by Virginia Mennonite Missions. Pray for the Satalayas as they begin several years of study in the United States.

## Don't Forget

**Archbold Care & Share, Gift & Thrift Stores,** are in the process of purchasing a good used cargo van for transporting goods to & from Toledo. It will also be used for other purposes as well. The older pick-up truck that they've been using will continue to be used for pulling the trailer to transport furniture. Because of the van's capacity, it will allow fewer trips to be made, saving money on fuel. It also helps in ease of loading, since loading the pick-up required someone to crawl on their hands & knees to load it! **If individuals or Sunday school classes would like to donate toward this,** please contact Kathy Nofziger at Care & Share. 419-445-1926, ext. # 1

June is our month to collect items for the Archbold Fish Food Pantry. Below is a current list of needed items, but all items are welcome. Monetary donations are also welcome.

- Pineapple
- Mandarin oranges
- Diced tomatoes\*
- Tomato paste\*
- Mushrooms
- Canola or vegetable oil
- Refried beans
- Spaghetti sauce\*
- Canned meat
- Sugar
- Crackers
- Sugar-free items
- Gluten-free items
- Toilet paper
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Dish soap
- Paper towel
- Cleaning supplies\*

\* Desperately needed item

## Garage Sale

Zion will be joining our neighborhood garage sale this summer! The sale lasts for three days, but participants can choose which of those days they'd like to be open. Our sale will be held **under the carport near the church office on Wednesday, June 21st and Thursday, June 22nd**. Begin hunting for treasures that you can donate, and watch upcoming newsletters for information on when to bring in your items. Everything will be offered for a donation, with proceeds benefiting Child's World Preschool and the Archbold Community Garden. Good selling items include: children's and youth clothing and toys, games, sports equipment, books, shoes, boots, coats, kitchen items, small furniture items (that could fit in the back of a car), arts and craft supplies, etc...Because we will need to put everything back inside the church overnight, and then get it out again in the morning, please do not donate very large or heavy items. **You can bring your items to the fellowship hall on Sunday, June 18th until Tuesday, June 20th by noon. Please do not bring your items before June 18th because of other scheduled events using the building. Contact the church office if you can help.**

## Summer Office Hours

Beginning in June, the church office will be open Monday through Thursday and closed on Friday. Hours will remain the same from 8am until 12pm. All newsletter items will be due by Wednesday noon.

## **THE LAST PAGE...**

### **...but never the last word**

How do you feel about silence? Do you sometimes long for silence and yet find yourself resisting it? Many writers about discipleship (also called spiritual formation) describe silence as crucial for the spiritual life. In my experience, silence can be hard to find. Even if my surroundings are quiet and I am not speaking, I have so many thoughts and feelings running around inside me that it's a very noisy silence.

Sometimes carefully crafted words express what I would have trouble putting into words. Ted Loder, is retired United Methodist pastor, has offered prayers that nurture my soul as I seek to follow Jesus. Here is a prayer from his 1984 book provocatively titled *Guerrillas of Grace*:

**O Holy One, I hear and say so many words**

O Holy One,

I hear and say so many words,  
yet yours is the Word I need.

Speak now,  
and help me listen;  
and if what I hear is silence,  
let it quiet me,  
let it disturb me,  
let it touch my need,  
let it break my pride,  
let it shrink my certainties,  
let it enlarge my wonder.

Wishing you silent moments,  
Dan