

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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June 8, 2025

Zion Activities this week

Sunday, June 8

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

Monday, June 9

11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers (310)

Tuesday, June 10

5:00 pm ~ Gifts Discernment (310)

7:00 pm ~ Church Council (310)

Wednesday, June 11

9:00 am ~ Mennonite Women (Fellowship hall)

Thursday, June 12

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

Sunday, June 15

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

2:00 pm ~ Mud Hens Baseball game

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Karen Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Karen Ruth

Interlude ~ Karen Stuckey

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Karen Ruth

Hymns ~ Anita Roth

“Holy Spirit, Come With Power” (VT 57)

Offering/Offertory ~ Karen/Karen

Scripture ~ Acts 2:1-21

Hymn ~ Anita Roth

“New Earth, Heavens New” (VT 377)

Noisy Offering

Children's Time ~ Karen Ruth

Hymn ~ Anita Roth

“There Are Many Gifts” (VT 374)

Sermon ~ John David Thacker

Reading

Prayer for Church & World ~ Greg Nofziger

Sending Hymn ~ Anita Roth

“Move In Our Midst” (VT 827)

Benediction ~ John David Thacker

Nursery Workers

June 8: Duane & Cecilia Wyse

June 15: Brad & Rachel Short

Office News

Sue and Stan will be traveling Sunday afternoon, June 8th through Wednesday night, June 11th.

The office will be closed on Fridays for the summer starting June 6th. Office hours will be Monday-Thursday from 8-12.

Bethany will also be out of the office on Wednesdays for the summer, but the office will still be staffed.

Attendance & Offering

June 1: 99 ~ \$2,910



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.

Happy Birthday

June 9 ~ Nichole Aeschliman
June 9 ~ Brenna Creighton
June 10 ~ Michele Nafziger
June 11 ~ Carrie Grieser
June 13 ~ Scott Yoder

Happy Anniversary

June 9 ~ Steve & Julia Nafziger (41 years)
June 10 ~ John & Joy Betts (47 years)
June 11 ~ Wendell & Bonnie Beck (60 years)

Upcoming Worship

June 8th - Pentecost Sunday. Bring your change into worship for our My Coins Count noisy offering.

June 15th - Communion. Worship will center around the context for Paul's 'words of institution' - 1 Corinthians 11. Bring a non-perishable item for FISH into worship.

June 22nd - Worship centered around scripture suggested by the congregation begins.

Book Nook

Donated book: *How To Pray: A Simple Guide For Normal People* by Pete Greig, a book that also has online video sessions to go with parts of it for deeper learning.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who has shared their gifts for the rebuilding of the home in Alvordton for the family who lost everything in a fire. There was a dedication of the house last weekend and the family has moved in. There are still a few things to complete, but after two months of construction, the project is nearly finished.

New Announcements

Anabaptism at 500 Celebration in Zurich: Last week, over 3,500 people from around the world toured landmarks, visited caves where Anabaptists once hid, and worshiped together in Zurich. Anabaptist World magazine has a comprehensive article about the gathering, which includes descriptions of special moments during the worship service of ecumenical reconciliation, and words of peace and encouragement sent by Pope Leo. Link to article about the event: <https://anabaptistworld.org/3500-gather-in-zurich-to-celebrate-500-years-of-anabaptism/>

Link to the recording of the worship service: https://youtu.be/c_1phq-r1jw?si=qqUOxg6ZTJtdf0_E

We want pictures! Please consider adding your individual or family picture to our "Church Family" bulletin board on the southwest wall of the fellowship hall. You can place a 4"x6" print in Rachel (Brad) Short's mailbox. Questions? Please email Rachel at rmsshort67@gmail.com or call 419-572-9922.

Come join a group of Mennonite Women on Wednesday, June 11 from 8:30 - 2 at Zion Mennonite Church. Come when you can and leave when you must. Lunch will be served and Janice Nafziger will lead a devotional. We love to be the hands and feet of Jesus by sewing, knotting, quilting, eating, praying and sharing the joy of being together.

There is a Strawberry Festival at Salem Church in Waldron, MI, on June 14th from 4-7 pm. Food includes pulled pork, hot dogs, chips, coleslaw, soft serve ice cream and strawberry shortcake for donation. See the bulletin board across from the bathrooms for more information.

MDS is hiring! MDS is looking for a **Warehouse and Equipment Coordinator** to manage our warehouse in **Columbus, MS**, to maintain our inventory and ensure our equipment is ready for our projects. If you are an organized and detail-oriented person, please check out the complete job description and application, available on our website at [Employment – Mennonite Disaster Service](#).

Don't Forget

Hymnals: Help yourself to an old hymnal on the table in the fellowship hall on Sunday.

Join MCC Great Lakes for the Dismukes Gala on August 16: The third annual Dismukes Gala Fundraiser will spotlight the amazing story of Dr. Henry Dodford Dismukes, an African American physician in Kimball, West Virginia, in the early 1900s. Join us on Saturday, August 16, at 6 p.m. at the Jack Caffery Arts & Cultural Center in Welch, West Virginia, for dinner and live music from The Company Band. Funds raised at the gala will go towards rehabilitating the building that previously was the Henrietta Dismukes Nurses Home and has fallen into disrepair after decades of vacancy. As proposed by our community steering committee, the Nurses Home will be repurposed as a community learning center with classes on technology and literacy education, canning, gardening, knitting and cooking, along with tutoring opportunities for students in the area. With the recent flooding that occurred in McDowell County, we are also dedicating a portion of funds raised towards flood clean-up through MCC's Appalachia Build program. Purchase gala tickets or become a sponsor at mcc.org/dismukes-gala. Learn more about Dr. Dismukes and the project at mcc.org/dismukes.

Cheer on the Toledo Mud Hens with your friends from Zion. They will be playing the Omaha Storm Chasers on Sunday, June 15, at 2:05 PM. Purchase your tickets online at the link below and you will select one of the seats reserved for Zion. **Tickets cost \$13.70 and will be delivered digitally. They must be purchased by June 8.** Buy tickets at: <https://www.gofevo.com/event/Zionmennonite2>

FISH food pantry: June is Zion's month to collect items for the Archbold Fish Food Pantry. All unexpired items are willingly accepted, as well as financial donations. "In demand" items include: Pineapple, mandarin oranges, fruit cocktail, canned potatoes, vegetable oil, canned/refried/black beans, 1lb dry pinto/black beans, tomato sauce, 15 oz diced tomatoes/rotel, sugar, salt, crackers, 1lb rice, paper towels, 1lb pasta noodles, egg noodles, tissues, 25-50 ct paper plates. There is a table outside the church office to receive your donations. Please bring monetary donations to the office.

MCC My Coins Count: It's time to begin collecting your coins! **Our jug will be in the fellowship hall on Sunday mornings, and in the church office during the week. We'll collect our 'noisy offering' on Sunday, June 8th.** Thank you for gathering your coins and dollars to support the work of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) around the world! This year's theme focus is 'Food.' On Saturday morning, June 28th, we'll drop off our jug at Care and Share Gift and Thrift. You're invited to come to Care and Share on June 28th any time between 9:00-11:00am to chat with MCC reps about their work, and to watch our coins, along with those from other area congregations, go through the sorting machines.

Vacation Bible School Coming This Summer! For more than 20 years, several churches have worked together as the Archbold Community VBS group, and hosted a great week of summer Bible School learning and fun. In the past few years, attendance has averaged between 50-60 children each night. One of the long-time member churches in the group decided to drop out after last summer. This spring, new congregations were invited to be a part of this VBS group. Zion was invited, as well as PEACE Mennonite, to join existing churches St Martin's Lutheran and Archbold United Methodist in this group. Each church takes a turn hosting, and it is St Martin's turn this summer. **This year's Archbold Community VBS will be held Sunday evening, July 27th - Thursday evening, July 31st at St Martin's for children Age 4 - 5th Grade.** We look forward to working with this ecumenical group, and connecting with many children and families in the community. Each church represented in the group sends a couple of volunteers to help. Contact Sue Short for more information. **Register at myvbs.org/archboldcommunityvbs**