

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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July 13, 2025

Zion Activities this Week

Sunday, July 13

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

Monday, July 14

9:00 am ~ Staff Meeting

11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers (310)

Thursday, July 17

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

Sunday, July 20

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

Nursery Workers

July 13: Joyce Nafziger & Naomi Richer

July 20: Michelle Wyse & Leah Roth

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Karen Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Lonnie Short

Interlude ~ Karen Stuckey

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Lonnie Short

Hymns ~ Cheryl Britsch

“God Of Our Strength” (VT 47)

“What A Fellowship” (VT 160)

Offering/Offertory ~ Lonnie/Karen

Convention Sharing ~ MYF

Scripture ~ Psalm 27:4-8

Hymn ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Beyond A Dying Sun” (VT 416)

Scripture ~ Revelation 21:1-6

Sermon ~ Mike Zimmerman

Hymn ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Sing A New World Into Being” (VT 809)

Prayer for Church & World ~ Chris Richer

Sending Hymn ~ Cheryl Britsch

“New Earth, Heavens New” (VT 377)

Benediction ~ Mike Zimmerman

Happy Birthday

July 16 ~ Phil Rich

July 16 ~ Artie Short

July 17 ~ Max Aeschliman

July 19 ~ Elaine Schnitkey

Happy Anniversary

July 17 ~ Micah & Sarah Frankenfield (15 years)

July 19 ~ Keith & Jackie Lehman (45 years)

Office News

Sue returns home late Saturday (July 12th) and John David will be on vacation July 13-19.

Attendance & Offering

July 6: 77 ~ \$1,085



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

Scripture Suggested by You! During June and July, worship will primarily be centered around scripture suggested by the congregation. Thanks to all who suggested texts which have been meaningful to you! If we didn't get a chance to use your suggestion this time around, we'll add it to our list for the next time.

July 13: (guest speaker, Mike Zimmerman) - no communion this month

July 20: Romans 8:18-39

July 27: Romans 12:9-21

Aug 3: Baptism Sunday! (Communion)

Aug 10-31: "Welcome to the Garden" (end-of-summer casual worship)

Address Change

Patsy Nofziger: Please update your directory to 407 E. Lutz Road, Archbold, OH 43502

New Announcements

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.

Join MCC Great Lakes for the Dismukes Project Learning Tour on September 23-26: This learning tour provides a unique experience to learn more about Black history and experiences in the coalfields of Appalachia, while also learning the incredible story of Dr. Henry Dodford Dismukes, an African American physician in the early 1900's. Participants will visit various sites connected with Dr. Dismukes, hear from local speakers and learn about MCC's work to preserve Black history in the area. Learn more and register at mcc.org/dismukes-learning-tour

Don't Forget

MCC's School Kit Challenge is back! For July and August Mennonite Women will be focusing on school kits for MCC. Within the next few weeks, be looking for a table with empty fabric school bags to take home and fill. Or if you prefer, just bring in the supplies you can that need to go in the bags (there will also be a small sheet to take home that lists all contents needed on the table). The notebooks and pencils that devoted supporters like you lovingly pack into MCC school kits help kids write their own success stories, and rulers provide hope beyond measure. School kits provide these and other essential supplies that families navigating war, displacement or financial struggles would not be able to buy otherwise. Join the 2025 School Kit Challenge and help MCC provide 25,000 school kits for 25,000 kids this summer. **To learn more about this challenge and to download a free activity guide, visit mcc.org/school-kit-challenge**

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. 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. **Register your children, grandchildren or friends at: myvbs.org/archboldcommunityvbs**