

# Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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**August 10, 2025**

Elder Co-Chair Greg Nofziger

Elder Co-Chair Suz Wirick

Elder Barb Yoder

Elder Chris Richer

## Zion Activities this week

### **Sunday, August 10**

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

### **Monday, August 11**

9:00 am ~ Staff Meeting

11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers (310)

### **Tuesday, August 12**

7:00 pm ~ Church Council (310)

### **Wednesday, August 13**

9:00 am ~ Mennonite Women (Fellowship hall)

3:00 pm ~ Kitchen Reserved

### **Thursday, August 14**

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

### **Friday, August 15**

Esther Boylan Fundraising Meal

### **Sunday, August 17**

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

## Happy Birthday

August 10 ~ Tim Grieser

August 11 ~ Cecilia Wyse

August 13 ~ Suz Wirick

August 14 ~ Jerry Andres

## Happy Anniversary

August 11 ~ Dan & Deb Nofziger (46 years)

August 13 ~ Don & Mary Oesch (63 years)

August 15 ~ Mike & Debra Zimmerman (33 years)

## Nursery Workers

August 10: Hastings family

August 17: Maggie Short & Sonja Wheeler

## Serving in Worship Today

“Welcome to the Garden” series

Scripture ~ Jeremiah 17:5-8

Worship Leader ~ Mark Nafziger

Song Leader ~ Julia Richer

Piano ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Prayer for the Church & World ~ Chris Richer

Meditation ~ John David Thacker

Tree Talk ~ Larry Wyse

Back-to School Blessing ~ Sue Short



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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.*

## Upcoming Worship

**“Welcome to the Garden”** - This August, you are invited to enjoy our annual end-of-the-summer casual worship series. We encourage you to dress comfortably, bring your coffee or water, and listen as we hear stories from one another about life, faith, gratitude for the gifts of nature, and experiencing God in creation. Be sure to watch during the offering as we feature photos on the screen of your veggies, flowers, and plants.

Aug 10: Meditation from John David on Jeremiah 17:5-8; ‘Tree Talk’ with Larry Wyse; Back-to-School Blessing

Aug 17: ‘Creation Conversation’ with MaryAnn Yoder (hosted by Tom Stuckey)

Community Garden update - Abby Pennington

Aug 24: ‘Creation Conversation’ with Bonnie Stuckey (hosted by Sue)

Aug 31: ‘Creation Conversation’ with Barnaby Wyse (hosted by Sue)

### **Garden Produce:**

If you have extra garden produce that you would like to share, please bring it to church every Sunday in August. We will have baskets in the front of the sanctuary, so bring it up before the service begins. And then it can be shared with anyone after the service.

## Mennonite Women

Mennonite Women will meet on Wednesday, August 13th from 8:30 - 2:00 in the fellowship hall. JOIN US! We will be assembling school supplies and filling up the school bags (some bags sewn by Ella and Emme Nafziger) for MCC. These bags are essential for many children around the world who otherwise would not have the supplies to help them learn! We will have a devotional and lunch will be served. We would love to have you join us.

## New Announcements

**Sunday School teachers needed:** The Formation Team is looking for more Sunday School teachers for both primary and high school. If you are willing to serve, please contact the church office or Carol Short (419-572-9855). Thank you for your help.

**Note of Thanks:** “A BIG thank you to those who helped volunteer, sent their children, or offered their support and encouragement in prayer as Zion joined up with the Archbold Community VBS group of congregations this year. We had a wonderful week with over 50 children (age 4 -5th grade) registered. During the week, we worked on our memory verse, learned about living like Jesus, and had a lot of fun together! Our service project this year was collecting school supplies and clothes for Archbold and Pettisville Elementary Schools to offer love and support to students who need them. Be sure to check out the Archbold Community VBS Facebook page to see some photos and highlights from our week, and to keep updated on registration for next year. Each of the congregations in the VBS group takes a turn hosting, with a lot of help from the other churches. Zion will be taking our turn to host VBS next summer, so watch for information to come about how to get involved.” ~Sue Short

**Enchilada Fundraiser:** An enchilada dinner prepared by Esther Boylan will be available for carryout on Friday, August 15th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The dinner will include 2 beef enchiladas, rice and beans and a side of mild salsa. If you would like to pre-order more than 5 plates or to request delivery, call Esther at 419-906-4811 by August 13th. Funds from this benefit will be used for family medical bills.