

# Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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Elder Co-Chair Suz Wirick

Elder Barb Yoder

Elder Chris Richer

**August 3, 2025**

## Zion Activities this Week

**Sunday, August 3 ~ *Baptism Sunday & Communion***

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

10:30 am ~ Baptism at Weldy's (weather permitting)

**Monday, August 4**

9:00 am ~ Staff Meeting

**Thursday, August 7**

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer

7:00 pm ~ AA (310)

**Sunday, August 10**

9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)

## Office News

Bethany will be on vacation from Saturday, August 2nd through August 9th. The office will be open Monday-Thursday. Barb Yoder will cover the office Thursday, August 7.

## Order of Service

**Prelude** ~ Karen Stuckey

**Welcome & Announcements** ~ John David Thacker

**Interlude** ~ Karen Stuckey

**Call to Worship & Prayer** ~ John David Thacker

**Hymns** ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Come, Let Us All Unite To Sing” (VT 7)

“Wonderful Grace Of Jesus” (VT 170)

**Prayer for Church & World** ~ Karen Ruth

**Offering/Offering Hymn** ~ John David/Cheryl

**Scripture & Baptism Reflections**

**Baptism Meditation** ~ Sue Short

**Communion**

**Prayer of Blessing** ~ Sue & John David

**Sending Hymn** ~ Cheryl Britsch

“Spirit Of The Living God” (VT 740)

**Benediction** ~ Sue Short

## Happy Birthday

**August 4** ~ Sharon Frey, Anita Roth

**August 5** ~ Ty Yoder

**August 6** ~ Naomi Richer

**August 8** ~ Chris Richer

**August 9** ~ Tim Wagler

## Happy Anniversary

**August 3** ~ Abby & Travis Pennington (6 years)

**August 3** ~ Dale & Arlene Short (62 years)

**August 4** ~ Gareth & Judith Short (52 years)

**August 4** ~ Tom & Bonnie Stuckey (52 years)

**August 5** ~ Dan & Karen Ruth (47 years)

**August 6** ~ Duane & Barb Short (59 years)

**August 9** ~ Randy & Karen Stuckey (50 years)

## Nursery Workers

**August 3:** Elaine Short & Glora Belle Yoder

**August 10:** Hastings family



***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

Aug 3: Baptism Sunday! (Communion)

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

**Garden Photos:** Beginning Sunday, August 10th, we'll enjoy our annual end-of-the-summer casual worship series as we wind down the season. Last year, to coordinate with the theme, we invited you to share photos of yourself at the lake, which we featured on slides each week. This August, our theme is "Welcome to the Garden." **We'd love to have a photo of YOU in your garden space!** This can be a photo of you and your veggies, fruit trees, vines, bushes, flowers, houseplants, or even your rocks. **Please email your photo to the church office by Tuesday, August 5th. ([church.zionmc@gmail.com](mailto:church.zionmc@gmail.com))** *If you aren't sure how to email photos from your phone, bring it to the office and we can try to help.*

## Thank You

We would like to express our thanks for the support of our Zion family during Bob's sickness and passing. Whether it was a visit, your words and memories, a card, flowers or helping during the visitation, memorial service or meal, we greatly appreciate your helpfulness during this time. - Joyce Frey, Mark Frey, Kevin & Lindsay Frey, Lydia, Jade & Violet

## School Kits

Mennonite Women are participating in the MCC School Kit Challenge to provide 25,000 school kits for 25,000 children this summer. We are asking for your help in this effort. There is a table in the fellowship hall near the coffee bar that contains empty school bags, a list of items needed, and space on the table to donate the school supplies for these bags.

- Take a list of school supplies needed and bring them back and put on the table
- Take the fabric bags and fill them up with those supplies and bring back to church by August 10th

The sales have started at the stores for school supplies and it's a great time to purchase these items (Ohio's tax free window is August 1-14). HAVE FUN – MAKE IT A FAMILY PROJECT TO FILL BAGS!

## Book Nook

*Conrad Grebel, Son of Zurich* by John L. Ruth was first published in 1975. This is a biography of Grebel written in story form, which we have added to the church library as a topic of interest during this 500th year of the beginning of the Anabaptist movement.