

# Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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**October 5, 2025**

Elder Suz Wirick  
Elder Barb Yoder  
Elder Chris Richer  
Elder Max Aeschliman

## Zion Activities this Week

### **Sunday, October 5 ~ World Communion Sunday**

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)  
9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)  
10:45 am ~ Sunday School  
12:00 pm ~ Over 70 Fairlawn lunch

### **Monday, October 6**

9:00 am ~ Staff Meeting

### **Wednesday, October 8**

9:00 am ~ Mennonite Women (Fellowship hall)  
7:00 pm ~ MYF (high school)

### **Thursday, October 9**

6:30 am ~ Men's Prayer  
7:00 pm ~ AA (310)  
7:00 pm ~ Choir Practice

### **Sunday, October 12**

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)  
9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)  
10:45 am ~ Sunday School  
11:00 am ~ Shalom's Fall Fundraiser (Ruibley Park)

## Order of Service

**Prelude** ~ Bonnie Stuckey

**Welcome & Announcements** ~ Karen Ruth

**Interlude** ~ Bonnie Stuckey

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

**Hymns** ~ Julia Richer

“God Of Our Strength” (VT 47)

“In Christ There Is No East Or West” (VT 390)

**Offering/Offertory** ~ Karen/Bonnie

**Scripture** ~ 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

**Hymn** ~ Julia Richer

“Together” (VT 389)

**Children's Time** ~ Bonnie Stuckey

**Scripture** ~ Psalm 133

**Sermon** ~ Sue Short

**Communion**

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

**Sending Hymn** ~ Julia Richer

“Shalom Chaverim” (VT 842)

**Benediction** ~ Sue Short

## Happy Birthday

**October 5** ~ Carol Beck

**October 6** ~ Bonnie Stuckey

**October 8** ~ Daniel Hastings, Mary Oesch

**October 9** ~ Mark Frey

**October 11** ~ Julia Nafziger

## Nursery Workers

**October 5:** Nikki Aeschliman & Miriam Richer

**October 12:** Rachel Aeschliman & Brenna Creighton

## Office News

John David and Sue will be attending the Ohio Mennonite Conference Credentialed Leaders Bible Study in Bucyrus, Ohio on Wednesday Oct. 8th and will be out of the office.



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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.*

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## Upcoming Worship

Oct 5: World Communion Sunday - Our annual celebration of our connection to other Christians around the globe. (Psalm 133; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27)

Oct 12 - Theme: "Seek the Peace of the City" (Jeremiah 29:1; 4-7)

Oct 19 - Theme: "New Covenant" (Jeremiah 31:27-34)

Oct 26 - Theme: "Forgiveness and Restoration" (Joel 2:23-32)

## Book Nook

Bonnie Stuckey has compiled a book of photos of beautiful flowers and quotations from famous people. *A Paintbrush for Joni* by John Geco is a book about Joni Earekson Tada's true life story written for children.

Pertinent books for today: *Undocumented* by Sarah Guezada; *Dear White Peacemakers* by Osheta Moore; *The Other Side Of Welcome* by Sue Ellen Johnson.

## New Announcements

**Do you know how to quilt?** Do you know how to knot a comforter? Can you sew? Well, **you do NOT have to know** how to do any of those things. We do many other things that you can participate in. OR, just come for the devotion, lunch and fellowship! Please join us on **Wednesday, October 8 for Mennonite Women** at Zion Mennonite Church. We are there from 8:30-2:00. Come when you can and leave when you must. A devotional will be given by Karen Ringenberg and lunch will be served. We look forward to seeing your beautiful face!

**The Michiana Sale Relief Sale and Quilt Auction in Goshen, IN** had a baby quilt donated by LouAnn Kanagy, from Zion, which sold for \$250. PEACE had a member donate two whole cloth full size, hand quilted bed covers that went for \$1,200 and \$1,150. The estimated total raised at the auction in September was a record \$445,000. Thank you ladies for your support to this worthwhile cause.

**Live your faith through action!** Join Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) for a transformative **one-year volunteer experience for ages 20+ starting August 2026**, with an option to extend your placement. Serve with organizations addressing critical community needs, like health, education and immigration. By living with peers in a unit house and growing with a local faith community, MVSers join in a global movement for peace and a more just world. Ready to make a difference? **MennoniteMission.net/MVS**

**St. John's Lutheran church** would like to invite you to their annual Country Corner **Craft Show on Saturday, October 18, 2025**, (I-079 State Route 66), Stryker from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Lunch will be available for a free will donation and will benefit our high school LYF.

## Don't Forget

**Choir rehearsals will begin** next Thursday evening, October 9th at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. New members are welcome. Contact Bonnie Stuckey, if interested.

**Our annual congregational business meeting** will be held on Sunday, October 19th in the fellowship hall after worship. We welcome and encourage all who are engaged in the life of the congregation to attend.

**The preschool is looking to borrow** an old fashion apple peeler corer slicer. If you have one you would let them use for a day or 2, please contact Mrs. King at 419-551-7679. Also, we are in need of a few more farming toys. If you have gently used tractors, wagons or combines you'd be willing to donate, we would love to add them to our collection!

**Come have lunch with us!** Next Sunday, October 12th from 11a-1:30pm is **Shalom's Annual BBQ Fall Fundraiser at Ruibley Park in Archbold**. Dine in or Carry-out meals will be served with your choice of a BBQ chicken or a pulled pork meal by donation. All proceeds go to the Shalom Benevolent Fund which covers the cost of services provided to victims of crimes and the financial assistance program which supports access to care for those who cannot afford it.