

Zion Mennonite Church Newsletter

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November 9, 2025

Zion Activities this week

Sunday, November 9

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)
9:00 am ~ Choir
9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)
10:45 am ~ Sunday School
7:00 pm ~ Hymn Sing with the Choir (sanctuary)

Monday, November 10

9:00 am ~ Staff Meeting
11:00 am ~ Congregational Caregivers (310)
3:45 pm ~ SLT (MYF room)

Tuesday, November 11

4:00 pm ~ Visitation for Ron Grieser
6:00 pm ~ Memorial service for Ron Grieser
7:00 pm ~ Church Council (310)

Wednesday, November 12

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

Thursday, November 13

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

Sunday, November 16

8:30 am ~ Sojourners Sunday School (310)
9:30 am ~ Worship (sanctuary & zoom)
10:45 am ~ Sunday School

Happy Birthday

November 10 ~ Clementine Brooks

November 10 ~ Karen Ruth

November 10 ~ Karen Stuckey

November 13 ~ Lincoln Aeschliman

Happy Anniversary

November 9 ~ Ronald & Marlene Nofziger (68 years)

Nursery Workers

November 9: Holly Liechty & Viv Legato

November 16: Eric Creighton & Lincoln Aeschliman

Order of Service

Prelude ~ Bonnie Stuckey

Welcome & Announcements ~ Tom Stuckey

Interlude ~ Choir

“Breathe On Me, Breathe Of God” ~ J.T. Rees

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” ~ Virgil Thompson

Call to Worship & Prayer ~ Tom Stuckey

Hymn ~ Anita Roth

“Take My Life And Let It Be” (VT 760)

Scripture ~ Psalm 24

Offering/Offertory ~ Tom/Bonnie

Scripture ~ Luke 12:13-34

Sermon ~ John David Thacker

Hymn ~ Anita Roth

“Seek Ye First” (VT 417)

Communion

Prayer for Church & World ~ John David Thacker

Sending Hymn ~ Anita Roth

“Praise God” (VT 71)

Benediction ~ John David Thacker



*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

November Worship: Our theme this month is called *Whole Life Stewardship*. When we hear the words "giving" or "stewardship," we typically think of monetary gifts or tithes. While these are very important, Jesus invites us to follow him as Lord of every part of our lives. What might it look like to steward and tithe other parts of our lives as sacrificial acts of worship beyond Sunday morning?

Nov 9: *Stewarding our Money* - Luke 12:13-34

Nov 16: *Stewarding our Attention* - Matthew 6:19-23

Nov 23: *Thanks and Gratitude Sunday* - 2 Cor 9:6-15

Wed Nov 26: Thanksgiving Eve Service at Zion @ 7:00pm in the sanctuary with our friends from St Martin's Lutheran Church. It is our turn this year to host the 20th annual joint worship service! Come enjoy a wonderful evening of worship, with fellowship and refreshments afterward.

New Announcements

Wednesday, November 12 is Mennonite Women at Zion in Archbold. 8:30-2:00. Come when you can and leave when you must. Come with a grateful heart in this month of Thanksgiving. Cecilia Wyse will lead us in a devotional and lunch will be served. We are thankful for each person who attends and shares their gifts with us!

Barnabas Circle is a companions in grief meeting the first Thursday of the month at West Clinton from 6-8 pm. This is a group for those walking through recent grief. They provide meals, fellowship, and a compassionate listen space. Please rsvp (for food numbers) at 419.445.1195 or office@westclinton.church. See the bulletin board for more information.

Ready for a life-changing gap year? Dive into **Service Adventure, a 10-month volunteer journey ages 17-20, now accepting applications for the term starting August 2026.** Live in community with peers and unit leaders, serve with local nonprofits and deepen in your faith alongside a supportive church congregation. Embrace adventure, grow in purpose and make a difference. Apply at MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure.

Anabaptist World had a mix up and some folks received more than one issue. If this happened to you, please let Bethany in the office (or Anabaptist World) know. Feel free to share your extra copy with a friend!

Don't Forget

MCC is providing two virtual immigration training sessions on November 2 & 25. See the bulletin board for more information or contact that office.

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

The Stewardship Team is taking grant requests for the Zion endowment fund. Applications can be found on the table across from the mailboxes. They can be turned into the office or to Dan Ruth's box. Deadline for the applications is January 1, 2026. Please contact the Stewardship Team with any questions: Dan Ruth, Cal Britsch, Karin Legato & Lynn Roth.

The Resettlement Support Team is looking for folks to help with transportation for our Ukrainian families. We especially need those who have some availability during weekdays. A recent doctor's appointment had to be rescheduled because we couldn't find anyone to drive them. Our plan is that when a transportation need arises, volunteers will receive a text message describing the need as far in advance as possible. If you're available and willing to help during a requested time, we'll put you in touch with the person to be picked up. If not, no worries and no obligation! We hope to have enough people so that any individual volunteer only provides assistance occasionally. If you can help, please see a member of the RST team (Larry Wyse, Elizabeth Miller, Jana Wheeler, Karmin Brooks, or Stan Short).

You are invited to a choral hymn sing with the Zion Mennonite Church choir. Join us on Sunday, November 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary for an evening of worship in song. If you would like to request a congregational song, please let Bonnie Stuckey or Anita Roth know your selection ahead of time.