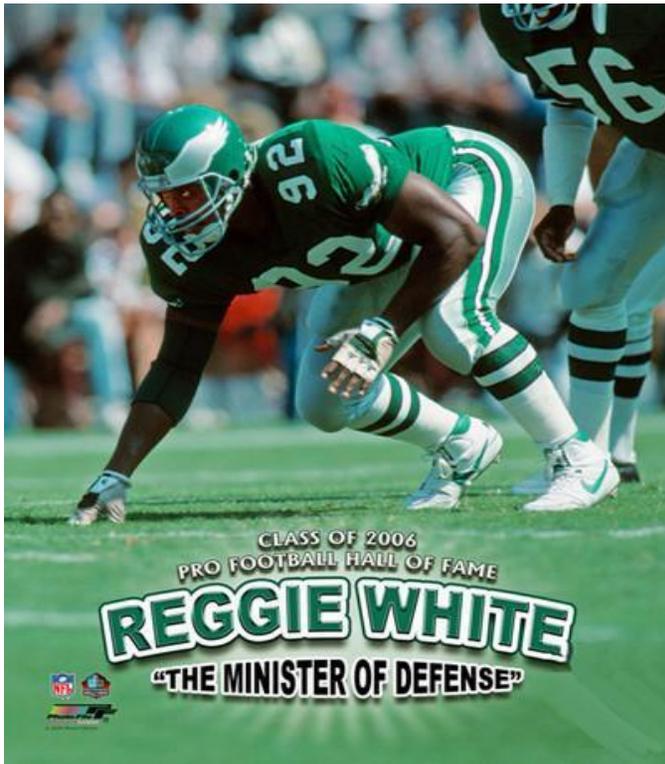


Zion Mennonite Church

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Sunday school: 9:30 am • Worship service: 10:43 am



Acts 26:19-32

“The Best Defense”

Pastor Mike Metzler

July 14, 2019

WELCOME TO ZION MENNONITE CHURCH

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Summer Sermon Series “Witnesses To The Light:
On Adventure With God & The Saints”

GATHERING & PRAISE

Preservice Music

Gathering Song

Come, let us all unite to sing HWB 12

Welcome & Call to Worship – Hebrews 4:12-16

Congregational Singing

Come, now is the time to worship STJ 9

The Lord is my light STJ 97

Holy Spirit, come with power HWB 26

CONFESSION -

ALL: O God, you rule the world from end to end and for all time.
You alone are God. In you alone we hope.

Forgive our sins. Heal our diseases.

Save our lives from destruction.

We repent of our stubbornness and pride.

We desire to yield ourselves more fully to your will.

Keep us in your presence that we might serve and witness

In the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

<silent reflection>

Words of assurance

LEADER: Because of God’s great love for you, and God’s rich
mercy for all, You are fully forgiven.

ALL: We will live as those who are truly loved and truly forgiven
Through the gift of God’s grace.

AMEN

Congregational Song

More love to thee, O Christ MH 539

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading: Acts 26:19-32

Sermon: “The Best Defense”

RESPONDING

Song of Response

God has chosen me

STS 114

Moment in Mission

Congregational Life Sharing and Prayer

Announcements

Offering – Prayer

ZMC

Mennonite Disaster Service

SENDING

Benediction

Sending Song

Christ has arisen

HWB 267

MINISTRY LEADERS TODAY

Greeters: Justin & Heidi King

Preacher: Pastor Mike

Worship Leader: Becky Brenneman

Worship Arts: Kathy Alderfer

Nursery: Monica & Rebekah C.

Foyer: Mark & Tammy Gray

Sound Operator: Clay Showalter

Usher: Darrell Wenger

Music Leader: Hannah Wenger

Moment in Mission: Kevin King

Musicians: Carrie Bert, Rebekah Compagnari,

Sara, Zach & Eli Halteman, and Mike Metzler

STATISTICS FOR JULY 7, 2019

Attendance: 91

Offering: \$4,999.00

Building Fund: \$100

Offering YTD: \$135,630

Goal YTD: \$156,288

Much gratitude for your generous giving to ZMC!

UPCOMING MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS:

July 21, 2018

July 28, 2019

Greeters:

N/A

TBD

Worship Leader:

Pastor Mike

Becky Brenneman

Preacher:

Baptisms at Highland

Pastor Mike

Music Leader:

Elwood Y. & Sara H.

Dave King

Sound Operator:

Jackson Maust

Craig Zook

Nursery:

N/A

Ericka/Lili & Sadie G.

Foyer Monitors:

N/A

Karla S. & Gen M.-G.

Usher:

Darrell Wenger

Darrell Wenger

Worship Arts:

Kathy Alderfer

Kathy Alderfer

ZMC – PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

Week of July 14, 2019

“Rejoice always, pray continually...” ~1 Thessalonians 5:16,17

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

*Praise God for redeeming our lives and the world through Jesus and setting us free to be ambassadors for God’s kingdom by the power of God’s Spirit.

*Pray for Pastor Sarah and the Safe Church Team as they introduce ZMC’s Child & Youth Protection Policy to the congregation today.

*Pray for Micah, Rebekah and Alex as they prepare for baptism. Pray that they would know that God’s steadfast love for them during this time of preparation.

*Ethan Gingerich, as he leads bridge building projects in Bolivia. Pray that he knows God is with him as he faces adversity.

*Ruth Alger, as she transitions to being back in her apartment at Park Place. Pray that she would receive healing and peace from God.

*Pray for campers and staff at Highland Retreat as they enjoy God in creation. Pray for safety and deeper relationships to form through shared adventures.

*Pray God’s blessing on Emma Stutzman and Ron Piper as well as Stuart Lucas and Rachel Nafziger as these two couples receive God’s gift of marriage.

*Pray for us to know God’s comfort and provision during this time of leadership changes.

*Ervin & Bonnie Stutzman, as they prepare to serve as Interim Pastors for ZMC beginning in August.

God’s Mission and the wider church – Pray for Mennonite Disaster Service and Kevin King as he gives leadership to Anabaptists responding with God’s love to people suffering the effects of disasters near and far.

Birthdays this week: Nell Alger, Davis Bert, Kaitlin Stauffer, Darlene Lehman

Next Sunday: Faith Stories and Baptisms at Highland Retreat,

Worship leader: Pastor Mike, Music leader: Elwood Yoder & Sara Halteman

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND COUNTRY – Pray for the farmers of the Midwest during an unusually wet spring. Pray for the rains to stop and for their trust in God to deepen during this difficult time.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD – Pray for the people of Mozambique, a country in southeast Africa that has over 1,500 miles of coastline and is roughly twice the size of California. Pray for God’s kingdom to come in a land whose people are still suffering the effects of a 16-year civil war that ended in 1992.



“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” ~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

- Please make sure all drinks in the sanctuary are in a closed container.
- Please see an usher if you need a hearing assistance device.

Children's S.S. - Bring your children to Jesse, Dawn, and Sarah under the oak tree out front on Sundays between 9:25-9:30. If there is inclement weather, please bring them to the Gathering Room as usual. Children will return to parents at 10:15 in the fellowship hall.

Brittany Viands, a recent college graduate who led in children's S.S. ministry this past year, is looking for housing for when she returns to Harrisonburg in August. If you have ideas for Brittany, please contact her at 540-435-3880 or brittany.viands@emu.edu.

July 18-20: Cultivating Good Soil: VMC Assembly 2019.

July 19-21: ZMC Retreat at Highland. Next Sunday, July 21, the ZMC worship service will be at Highland during our annual church retreat. The baptismal service starts at 10:00 am in the Tabernacle with preservice music at 9:45. Immediately following, there will be a fellowship meal at Highland. Please bring a side and/or dessert to share-the hospitality committee will provide drinks and sandwiches. Also note that our annual BBQ chicken dinner at a Highland will be next Saturday evening at 5:30, preceded by a presentation by Jim Clymer at 4:30 that is part of our summer Sunday School series (Ham radio: Connecting the world without cellular reception). Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for the full list of retreat events and to sign up for lodging!

July 28: We are having a Metzler Farewell for Pastor Mike, Risha, and their children, Hannah, Joel, and Tobias, after the worship service. There will be a fellowship meal, card shower, photo memory book, and a freewill offering.

Bring cards on July 28th, but if you can't be there, put them in Hannah Wenger's mailbox and she'll include them in the card basket.

Thanks, in advance, for making this farewell a huge blessing of thanks to the Metzler family for their time as an integral part of our church family.

If you plan to give a freewill offering to the Metzlers on their last Sunday here during the fellowship meal, you can make checks payable to Zion Mennonite Church with Metzler Family in the memo line. Thank you!

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Zion's Safe Church Team is pleased to present ZMC's Child and Youth Protection policy, shortened copies of which is in your church mailboxes. Full copies will be available on the back table in the foyer and on the Zion website.

Members from the committee will also be available in the fellowship hall today following the worship service for informal Q & A and to learn best strategies for implementing the plan over the next year. Interested persons are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch or simply postpone lunch until after your questions and ideas have been answered and shared. If you have questions about the policy or next steps but you are unable to join the brown bag lunch today, please reach out to any Safe Church Team member.

Additionally, on August 11, you are invited to a light lunch provided by the Safe Church Team. Come to hear a story of our Safe Church journey at Zion, a brief overview of the policy, and to learn how simple it is to become an approved adult so that our children, youth and all who serve in child and youth ministries at Zion are strengthened to follow Jesus as we worship God, nurture faith, minister love, and share hope with neighbors near and far.

Thanks for considering joining us for one of these brief meetings following church.

The Safe Church Team

Paul Leaman, Karla Souder, Jesse Compagnari,  
Gen Moyer-Groff and Pastor Sarah