

OUR MISSION:

To be a community that creatively risks sharing the transforming love of Jesus.

Next Week’s Message: “Joseph in Prison”
(Genesis 39:1-23; Matthew 5:11-12) - Brett Klingenberg



September 23 Meal: Chicken tortilla soup, chips, carrots, cake

For more information on Connect programming updates, read the note in your church mail box!

**PreK-5th Grade
Registration**

**Connect Meals &
Clean Up**

**Connect Host
Sign-Up**

**Connection Family
Sign-Up**



Giving Updates:

General Fund Offering Sep 7-13: \$10,539
GF 2026 Contributions, as of Sep 13: \$338,261

Attendance: 9/13/26

In Person: 196
Online Views: 76

Giving Options: scan the QR code above, place gift in the locked box by the office, or mail to 629 Crescent Dr. Hesston, KS 67062. For help with your Realm giving account, contact the church office.

Pastoral Team

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September 20, 2026



Song of Gathering	"Come, We That Love" Voices Together (VT) #31	Music Team
Welcome / Call to Worship		Tonya Keim
Congregational Singing	"Great is Thy Faithfulness" VT #419 "I Will Follow" VT #775 "Step By Step"	
Story Time		Belshe Family
Scripture Reading	Genesis 11:27-12:9	Tonya Keim
Message	God makes promises to a guy from Ur	Brett Klingenberg
Song of Response	"Speak O Lord"	
Offering / Offertory	"How Many Times We Start Again" VT #553	
Congregational Sharing / Prayer		Isaac Landis
Community Life		
Song of Sending	"How Many Times We Start Again" VT #553	
Benediction		Brett Klingenberg

Music Team: Gwen Roth, Emily Nichols, Karla Simpson, Heidi Hochstetler, Peter Lehman, John Miller, and Jerol Schrag. **A/V:** Kristi Martin, Braden Esau

Praising and Praying Together

Praising for...

- God's faithfulness in the difficult and easy times.
- the generous hearts that sustain the ministries at Whitestone.
- the gift of refreshing rain!

Praying for...

- Joy Yoder and family as they grieve the passing of Joy's father, Ken Smith.
- Rhonda Schrock and family as they grieve the passing of Rhonda's father-in-law, Leo.
- Don Weaver as he recovers from a heart procedure.
- healing for those who are sick or with health issues.
- wisdom in difficult conversations and relationships.
- repentance and lament for harms we may have caused.
- strength for the weary.
- power for the weak.
- unspoken prayers.

*If you desire prayer today, join us at the front of the sanctuary after worship, where people will be available to pray with you. **Anyone requesting special prayer** during the week, may contact the pastors or send request to prayer@whitestonemc.com. Prayer requests are confidential and will only be viewed by the pastors.*

Parents of Young Children: Welcome! We are so thankful for the energy and joy of children in our midst. Here are some of the ways we seek to help families worship together:

The **Infant Room** has rocking chairs and cribs for parents to use with their babies needing a quiet space. **Nursery Care** is provided during worship for children under 4. Both rooms are down the stairs off the east side of the foyer. **Nursery Attendants Today: Kylie & Rob Moore.**

The Peace Place is a sensory-friendly room available during worship and Sunday school hour, located behind the east overflow. See "Guidelines for Use" on the door if you have questions.

Children's Bulletins with activities coordinating for today's scripture are available at the Welcome Center.

We hope you can relax, sing, pray, and participate, knowing that kids learn by following your lead! It's always okay explain what's going on, to move around, and take breaks as needed. You're doing great!

Questions? Just ask our ushers for help!

Happenings at Whitestone

Safe Sanctuary Training Today

At **3:00pm in the sanctuary** we will have our second yearly training for individuals working with children and youth at Whitestone. If you haven't attended a training yet this year, please plan to attend today or make arrangements with Isaac to view a recording and sign your participation covenant.

Church Custodian Job Opening

The church custodian is responsible for maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming environment in the church building. The role includes regular cleaning of key areas and ensuring the facility is well-maintained for worship services and events. This is a part-time, contracted position, approximately 10hrs a week, depending on Wednesday evening activities. Please contact the church office if you would like more information or know someone who would be good fit.

In the meantime, if you have an hour or two in your week and would be willing to work on a project like trash collection, vacuuming, moping bathrooms, etc, please contact Saralyn or Jasmine and they would be glad for your help!

Host Homes for CPMC Meetings

Whitestone is hosting the Central Plains Mennonite Conference Council of Committees on November 12-14. If you would be willing to host an individual or two, please contact the church office or look for a link to sign up in the weekly email this week! All meals will be provided at the church for those attending.

MYF Freezer Meal Sale

Help us clean out the freezer in time for Connect! All freezer meals from the MYF fundraiser are now **50% off!** Instructions and pricing on the freezer door.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Heather & Kevin Finley with the birth of a granddaughter to Kristin (Finley) & Luke Burckhart and to Terry & Mary Lou Leinbach with the birth of a granddaughter to Crystal (Leinbach) and Matt Weaver.

Looking Ahead

Oct 4: Communion during the worship service (October 7 for home-bound individuals: contact Kevin Wilder or church office if you know someone who would like a visit)

Chick by a Crick - 4-6pm, BBQ dinner, music, and activities at the Schrag Farm, 5540 NW 60th, Halstead. Postcards

Oct 11 Village Visit - 6pm, fellowship hall. This interactive Village Visit will be led by Stewardship Elder, Mitch Stutzman.