

Welcome to worship. We are happy you chose to come today. Feel free to join us as we pray, sing, and listen to God speak. We hope that all will sense God's spirit among us and will be eager to return and worship here again.

Our weekly newsletter gives information and announcements about our congregation. Newsletters are on the tables near the north and west entrances to the building.

Children are welcome to pick up a worship bag at the entrances of the sanctuary. Please return the bag and contents after the service.

The children's classes will gather following this service in the basement for Sunday School. All adults are invited to a fellowship time in the fellowship area after the worship service. Following that, we hope you choose to attend one of the Sunday School classes that meets in the Fellowship Hall.

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### WORSHIP WORKERS

**Worship Leader:** Kathy Beck, Denver Beck, Jackie Lehman,  
& Kent Nafziger

**Song Leader:** Cheryl Britsch

**Ushers:** Max & Brenda Aeschliman, Ty Yoder, Cork & Patsy Nofziger,  
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**Greeters:** Cork & Patsy Nofziger, Glora Belle Yoder

**Next week:** Merrill Spiess & Jan Cobb Nofziger, Larry Rychener

**Nursery:** Rebekah Liechty, Lori Bontrager

**SS:** Sarah & Micah Frankenfield

**Next week:** Brandi Schnitkey, Darlene King **SS:** Greg & Jodi Nofziger

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## Zion Mennonite Church

March 4, 2018

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### Third Sunday of Lent

#### Looking for Jesus Beyond Just Following Rules

**Prelude** Karen Stuckey

**Welcome and announcements**

**Interlude** Karen Stuckey

#### Call to Worship

L: The heavens declare

**P: and we declare**

*All: the glory of God.*

L: Our voices join the speech of creation

**P: to tell of our known and unknowable God.**

L: Now may these words of our mouths

**P: and these mediations of our hearts**

*All: be pleasing in God's sight and life-giving in our world.*

#### Prayer

**Songs** "Let's Sing unto the Lord" HWB 55

"All Beautiful the March of Days" HWB 159

**Scripture** Psalm 19

**Offering & Offertory** Karen Stuckey

**Song** "O Lord, Our Lord, How Majestic" HWB 112

**Scripture** Exodus 20:1-21

**Message** "Thunder and Lightning, Fear the One Who Says Fear Not,  
For Our God Draws Near" Corben Weaver Boshart

**Song** "Teach me, O Lord" HWB 487

#### Response

L: Rules, requirements, laws: we feel they constrain us.

**P: These are chains around our hands and feet.**

L: Rules, requirements, laws: we hold onto them so tightly.

**P: These are the chains of broken relationships.**

L: Rules, requirements, laws: we wield them for our own selfish intentions.

**P: These are chains that keep us from walking with God.**

L: God's laws are perfect.

**P: God's laws make us wise and bring joy to our hearts.**

*All: Forgive us when we fail.*

L: The rarest treasures of life are found in God's truth.

*All: Nothing brings the soul such sweetness as seeking His Living Words.*

**Prayer for the Church and World**

Sue Short

**Benediction**

**Sending Song** "Guide My Feet" Verses: 1. Give me wisdom,  
2. Keep me faithful, 3. Teach me thy truth, 4. Grant me grace

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