



Hutterthal  
**Mennonite  
Church**

Christ-centered—Living, Relating, Serving

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**January 26, 2014**

**Prelude**

*I Love Thee*

**Worship Music:**

*Healer of Our Every Ill* (Marty Haugen)

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship:**

based on Isaiah 58: 6-9 (MSG)

L: As we gather for worship, the Lord declares: This is the kind of fast day I'm after:

**P: to break the chains of injustice, get rid of exploitation in the workplace, free the oppressed, cancel debts.**

L: As we seek His wisdom, He testifies: What I'm interested in seeing you do is this:

**P: sharing our food with the hungry, invite the homeless poor into our homes, put clothes on the shivering ill-clad, be available to our own families.**

L: In this hour may our lives turn to the Light;

**P: may we discover the joy of walking in the way of our God.**

L: When we pray, may we do so knowing our Lord will answer saying, "Here I am."

**P: And, when He answers may we declare in return,**

**ALL: "Yes, and here I am. Work in me."**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn:** HWB no. 366,

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

**Children's Time:**

A Food Bank

**Sharing Time**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer** (debts/debtors)

**Worship Music:**

*Better than I* (John Bucchino)

**Moment-in-Mission:**

Bethany Food Pantry

**Scripture Reading:**  
**Silent Meditation**

1 Corinthians 2: 1-16 (Pew Bible p. 60)

**Time of Offering**  
**Offertory Invitation**  
**Sharing Our Gifts**  
**Offertory Prayer**

*Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

**Hymn:** HWB no. 487,

*Teach Me, O Lord*

**Message:**

*Magna Animi*

**Hymn:** HWB no. 337,

*Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know*

**Benediction**

**Musical Response**

**Postlude**

*Trust and Obey*

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**Worship Participants:** Phyllis Hofer (organ), Todd Jones (worship leader & message), Josh Hofer and Vanessa Hofer (worship music provided by Merlin & Sylvia Hofer), & Sam Sorensen (moment-in-mission)

### **PRAYER CONCERNS/PRAISES**

- **Family of Brandon Waltner** (death of his grandfather Peter Wall)
- **Byron Thomas**
- **From CPMC:** Pray for the pastoral transition at the Quito Mennonite Church. The front running candidate to be the new pastor will be visiting Quito this month.
- **From MMN:** Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit leaders will conclude a four-day meeting in New Orleans tomorrow. Pray for physical and spiritual renewal as they share their joys and challenges and encourage each other for continued ministry.

We respectfully request that the ***designated pews*** remain open for families with young children and those with physical needs. We also request that the ***crying room*** remain available for infants and nursing mothers.

A ***Handicap Accessible Bathroom*** is located in the basement.

**TODAY**

**Greeters:** Paul & Priscilla Hofer

**Nursery:** Open

**Coffee Time:** Marj Hofer

**MW Jan. project:** Blankets, sheets or towels

**Children's Sun. School project:** Freeman Food Pantry

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Greeters:** Donovan & Sherryl Friesen

**Piano:** Charlene Friesen

**Worship Music:** Norman & Darlene Hofer

**Coffee Time:** Glennis Hofer

**2:30pm:** Worship @ Oakview Terrace

## **THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday:** Pastor-Peer, 9:15am (Sioux Falls)

Worship Committee, 6:30pm

Mission & Outreach Committee, 7:30pm

**Wednesday:** Soup & Fellowship, 6:30pm

Kid's Club, 7pm

Midweek Bible Study, 7pm

**Friday:** Men's Group, 10am (Parsonage)

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Jan. 28:** Pastor-Peer, 9:15am (Sioux Falls)

Worship Committee, 6:30pm

Mission & Outreach Committee, 7:30pm

**Feb. 5:** Soup & Fellowship, 6:30pm

Kid's Club, 7pm

Midweek Bible Study, 7pm

**Feb. 6:** Freeman Ministerial, 10am (Bethany MC)

**Feb. 7:** Men's Group, 10am (Parsonage)

**Feb. 8:** Youth Making Fudge, etc.

**Feb. 9:** Gathering 58: 6, 9am

If you are interested in the **desk by the library**, please contact one of the Trustees: LeRoy P., Darnell or Stan.

The youth group will be selling fudge, caramel, and drizzle popcorn in the church basement on **Sunday, February 9th** for a fundraiser. If you have a sweet tooth or if you want to give someone a special Valentine's Day gift ... come and see what we have.

We are asking people to **donate items** for the Freeman food pantry. Please consider donating canned goods, paper goods, personal care items, and baby care items. You can drop them off in the Hutterthal foyer. Thank you.

A **brief congregational meeting** will take place following the worship service on **Sunday, Feb. 2**. This is in regards to some recent developments in the parsonage office.

### **Checked out the church website yet?**

What can you find at [hmcfreeman.org](http://hmcfreeman.org)?

- Weekly bulletins available by 12pm each Saturday
- Monthly newsletters in full color
- Current calendar of events
- Faith statements from church leadership
- Listings of current Hutterthal ministries
- Overview of Hutterthal and Mennonite beliefs/faith
- Links to the Freeman community and beyond

PLUS...

- The website is smartphone friendly, so you can check in on the go
- It's a great resource for your witness to friends, family and coworkers.

SO GO AHEAD, bookmark it, add it to your favorites bar, send or post a link today. Hutterthal's web address: [www.hmcfreeman.org](http://www.hmcfreeman.org)

### **SCHMECKFEST:**

- 1. Noodle making:** Tues., **Jan. 28** at Pioneer Hall from 9:00 am.-3:30pm. Snow date: Sat., Feb. 1.
- 2. Cheese pocket making:** **Feb. 4, 11, 18** beginning at 9:00am in Pioneer Hall. Snow date: Feb. 25. Questions? call June Pullman at 825-4277.
- 3. There are several areas yet to fill with workers and food donations.** A monetary donation can also be made to help cover the expense of kuchens. Please get in touch with Joline Thomas if you are able to help in any of these ways. Thank you.

Denny Davis, director of the South Dakotans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty, will be speaking about the **current death penalty scene** in South Dakota and nationwide **February 2 at 2 p.m.** at the Salem-Zion Mennonite Church. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

The **SD MCC Relief Sale** is just six months away on July 26, in Freeman. There is still time to make a quilt, stitch some tea towels, knit a hat, assemble a silent auction item, build a table, etc.. If you are planning to donate a quilt

or comforter, please contact Karen Stucky by March 16th (925-7021 or karens@gwtc.net). Official donation forms will be available later this spring. Thank you for your support of MCC and the SD MCC Relief Sale.

**Midweek Bible Study Memory Verse for Week Two:** “Be wise in the way that you act with people who are not believers, making the most of every opportunity.” (Colossians 4: 5, NCV)

## Message Notes:

Theme: Love; Witness

“*Magna Animi*”

January 26, 2014

**SCRIPTURE READING:** 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16 (Pew Bible p. 603)

## PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

**Matthew 5: 43-45** – “You’re familiar with the old written law, ‘Love your friend,’ and its unwritten companion, ‘Hate your enemy.’ I’m challenging that. I’m telling you to love your enemies. Let them bring out the best in you, not the worst. When someone gives you a hard time, respond with the energies of prayer, for then you are working out of your true selves, your God-created selves. This is what God does. He gives His best – the sun to warm and the rain to nourish – to everyone, regardless: the good and bad, the nice and nasty.” (MSG)

**Luke 18: 23b** – “...became terribly sad. He was holding on tight to a lot of things and not about to let them go.” (MSG)

**1 Corinthians 1: 18** – “... the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.” (NKJV)

**1 Corinthians 14: 1a** – “Pursue love...”

**1 Corinthians 12: 13, 20, & 27** – “The old labels we once used to identify ourselves – labels like Jew or Greek, slave or free – are no longer useful. We need something larger, more comprehensive.... What we have is one body with many parts, each its proper size and in its proper place. No part is important on its own.... You are Christ’s body – that’s who you are! You must never forget this.” (MSG)

**1 Corinthians 11: 1** – “Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ.” (NKJV)

**1 Corinthians 1: 10b** – “... be perfectly joined together in the same *mind* and in the same judgment” (NKJV)

**Acts 2: 46-47** – “... continuing daily with one accord in [worship], and breaking bread from house to house ... [eating] with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all people. [For, in such a way] the Lord [adds] to the church daily those who [are] being saved.” (NKJV)

**John 13: 15** – “I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.” (NIV)

**We are \_\_\_\_\_!**

**Romans 13: 12b-14** – “... cast off the works of darkness and ... put on the armor of light [that we may] walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy, [putting] on the Lord Jesus Christ and [making] no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.” (NKJV)

**Ephesians 3: 16b-19** – “... be strengthened in [our] inner being with power through His Spirit ... that Christ may dwell in [our] hearts through faith, as [we] are being rooted and grounded in love ... that [we] may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that [we] may be filled with all the fullness of God.” (NRSV)

**Mark 16: 15b** – “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.” (NKJV)

**We are a \_\_\_\_\_!**

**1 Corinthians 1: 22-23** – “... Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom, but [he came preaching] Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness.” (NKJV)

**Ephesians 4: 15-16** – “... speaking the truth in love, [so that all may] grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body’s growth in building itself up in love.” (NRSV)

**Colossians 1: 27b-28** – “... the riches of the glory of this mystery ... which is Christ in [us], the hope of glory. Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.” (NKJV)

“We’re Christ’s representatives. God uses us to persuade men and women to drop their differences and enter into God’s work of making things right between them.”

**2 Corinthians 5: 20, MSG**