



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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Prelude:

Prelude in Ab Major (Chopin)

Gathering Song: STJ no. 5,

Come and be Light for Our Eyes

Welcome

Lighting of the Peace Lamp
Passing the Peace

Call to Worship:

based on Revelation 5: 12-13 (NKJV)

L: Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever.

ALL: Amen!

L: In this season of Easter and in all times, we share with John the Divine the revelation of Jesus as our risen and exalted Savior and Lord and we join our voices and our very lives to the resounding witness of the Church across the ages:

ALL: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!

L: And now, let all of creation join the song:

ALL: Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever.

L: Amen!

Prayer

Hymn: HWB no. 278,

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing!

Children's Time:

Breakfast with Jesus

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Moment-in-Mission:

Mennonite Disaster Service

Time of Offering

Offertory Invitation

Sharing Our Gifts:

Offertory Prayer

Prelude in E Major (Chopin)

Scripture Reading:

John 21: 1-19 (Pew Bible p. 574)

Silent Meditation

Hymn: STJ no. 42,

Listen, God is Calling

Message:

Brilliant New Beginnings

Silent Reflection

Hymn: HWB no. 395,

Here I Am, Lord

Benediction: HWB no. 399,

Now Go Forward

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Ryan Haggerty (prelude & offertory arranged by Shane & Amy Hofer Vetch), Paige Zachariasen (accompanist), Todd Jones (worship leader & message), and Al & Jan Kroeker (moment-in-mission)

TODAY

Greeters: Vernon P. & Twyla Hofer

Coffee Time: Larry & Edie Tschetter

11:10am: Sunday School

MW April Project: cash for MCC Relief Sale pancake breakfast

Children's S.S. Spring Project: First Fruit Community Gardens

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Norman & Darlene Hofer

Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch

Worship Music: Gordon & Sharon Waltner

Coffee Time: Todd & Suzanne Koerner

THIS WEEK

Sun.-Tues.: Annual Leaders Retreat (Schuyler, NE)

Wed.: May *Connection!* Newsletter Deadline by noon

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 5: Deacons Meeting (Clem Residence), 7:30pm

May 6: Freeman Network for Justice & Peace, 11:30am (Library)

May 8: Freeman Ministerial, 2:00pm (Living Fountain)

May 10: Gathering 58: 6, 9:00am

May 11: Prayer Shawl, 7:00pm (HMC)

May 13: Freeman Area Baccalaureate Service, 7:00pm (Freeman Community Center)

May 26-30: Cross-Culture Thailand Trek VBS

May 31: VBS Closing Worship, 10:30am

VBS Celebration Lunch, 11:45am

PRAYER CONCERNS

- **Family of Pastor Ernest Wiens Neufeld** (former Northern District Conference Minister who died on April 13, 2015)
- **Aaron Glanzer** (recovering from pneumonia)
- **Heather VanMeveren**
- **Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC):** Pray for the annual retreat of Central Plains pastors, chaplains and their spouses at Schuyler, Nebraska, today through Tuesday. Pray also for the Pastoral Leadership Committee meeting today.

- **Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):** *JCS International, the umbrella agency through which MMN ministers in Mongolia, is searching for an executive director as Kwai Lin Stephens will not be renewing her role when she completes her current term. Pray that the person God is calling to this role will say, "Yes."*
- **Additional Prayers:**

We **welcome Al & Jan Kroeker** this morning who are here representing Region III Mennonite Disaster Service.

Connection! Deadline: Wed., noon, April 22. Please give all info to Edie and Church News to Twyla.

HMC is currently **gearing up** for the Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC) Annual Mtg. in Minneapolis, MN on June 18-21 and the Mennonite Church USA Biennial Convention to be held in Kansas City, MO on June 30-July 5 and you can help in several ways:

- 1) Pray over these important gatherings;
- 2) Consider being a delegate for HMC at the CPMC annual meeting (if interested, contact Colin Hofer or Pastor Todd);
- 3) **Financially support** our 2 delegates attending the Mennonite Church USA Convention (The total cost for a single HMC delegate to attend convention, including hotel, meals, and registration is approx. **\$1200.00**. To financially support this ministry, you may place a **monetary gift in the basket in the church foyer.**)

S.D. Mennonite Disaster Service unit annual meeting: Salem-Zion Mennonite church, **this afternoon at 2pm**. Paul Unruh will share stories about the impact of MDS work on people's lives. Region III Coordinators will also be attending the program which will be followed by the business meeting. Changes in the Constitution regarding term limits will be presented. **Everyone** is invited to attend.

Due to the generous contribution of a second donor, **new contributions to Central Plains Mennonite Conference**, received by April 30, will be **matched up to \$12,500.00**. To qualify for the match, contributions can be from individuals or congregations. However, only contributions from congregations beyond the amount they have budgeted for this year will qualify for the match.

The **Wellspring Wholistic Care Center** annual meeting will be held on Tues., April 20 @ 7pm in the Freeman Regional Health Services community room. All delegates and interested persons are warmly invited to attend. There is an opening for 1 board member. Please join us for an evening of sharing of information about Wellspring as well as a chance to meet and talk the our counselor, Lori Williamson, and the Board of Directors.

Freeman Academy will host its **Spring Student Showcase and Fundraising Dinner on Monday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m.** in the Dining Hall. All are welcome to attend the meal which will be prepared by Prairie House Restaurant. Please make **reservations** for the dinner by contacting the school office at 925-4237 **by April 20**. Following the meal donors, parents and friends are invited to attend the **Student Showcase at 7:00 p.m.** in the Pioneer Hall Auditorium which will include highlights and displays of the 2014-15 school year's academic work, music and service by all students in grades 1-12. Dessert and coffee will be served following the program.

The **Et Cetera Shoppe** is seeking to fill two volunteer positions. First, we need an additional clothing steamer. This person uses a garment steamer to iron clothes on 2 or 3 days during one week every month. This can be done when other volunteers are working, if visiting and coffee break are appealing! Second, we need a linens pricer. This person folds and prices bedding, towels, etc. for sale. This is a job that can be done in the shop OR at your home, depending on your personal preference. Ideally, this person would price new items once a week, or a minimum of every other week. Both of these positions are extremely flexible, time-wise, and can be tailored to your personal schedule and preference. Come join our mission team and make a difference around the world, without having to pack a suitcase! Contact Kris or Anita at the shop at 925-7098 if this is something you might consider. Thanks.