



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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Prelude

Gathering Song: HWB no. 43,

Christ is Our Cornerstone

Welcome

**Lighting of the Peace Lamp
Passing the Peace**

Call to Worship:

based on 1 John 3: 16-24

L: The Love of God was made manifest in this: The gift of Jesus, His Son.

P: And, by this we know love: Jesus laid down His life for us all.

L: To this love we bear testimony as we live faithfully in the Spirit, keeping the commandments of our God. And this is God's commandment:

P: that we believe in the name of Jesus and love one another, even as Jesus loved us.

L: In this way, we abide in God and God abides in us.

P: And, we know God abides in us, by the Spirit which Jesus has given us.

L: So, let us walk in the ways of our God, redeeming the time

P: That in this hour, we may discover anew what it means to love not merely in word or speech, but all- the-more in deed and truth.

Prayer

Hymn: HWB no. 288,

Rejoice, The Lord is King!

Children's Time:

In Jesus' Name

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

The Backstory:

Acts 3: 1 — 4: 4 (Pew Bible p. 576)

Worship Music: HWB no. 526,

In the Rifted Rock

Time of Offering

Offertory Invitation

Sharing Our Gifts

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading: Acts 4: 5-13 (Pew Bible p. 577)

Silent Meditation

Hymn: STJ no. 63,

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Message:

Been with Jesus

Silent Reflection

Hymn: STJ no. 23,

Slowly Turning, Ever Turning

Benediction: STJ no. 73,

The Lord Lift You Up

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Amy Hofer Vetch (accompanist), worship music arranged by

Gordon & Sharon Waltner and Todd Jones (worship leader & message)

TODAY

Greeters: Norman & Darlene Hofer

Coffee Time: Todd & Suzanne Koerner

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: Marcella Glanzer

Accompanist: Norma Hofer

Worship Music: Preston & Paige Zachariasen

Coffee Time: Marcella Glanzer

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

- **Aaron Glanzer** (recovering from pneumonia)
- **Heather VanMeveren**
- **Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC):** Pray for the Central Plains Christian Formation Committee meeting next Saturday. The CFC equips formation leaders through such activities as teacher training, Shalom Readers, and web resources.
- **Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):** Today, DOOR Denver is hosting its annual Cinco de Mayo festival fundraiser. Pray that relationships will deepen as three churches minister to their community through food, local performers, and

children's activities. DOOR is a Mennonite Mission Network partner.

· ***Additional Prayers:***

Before & after church, we will be recruiting **VBS volunteers** (multiple or even single days) for preschool and school age crew leaders and assistants, decorators and miscellaneous assistants; sign-ups for supplies donations will be available, too. Please prayerfully consider how you might assist with this ministry. VBS Directors

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 mtg. (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.**)

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.

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