



# Hutterthal Mennonite Church

*Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving*

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*“Glory be to Him whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.”*

Ephesians 3: 20, NJB

Prelude

Gathering Songs

*Come, Thou Fount*

HWB 521

*God Is Here Among Us*

HWB 16

Welcome/Call to Worship

Prayer

Scripture Reading Luke 5: 1-11 (Pew Bible p. 543)

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

HWB 366

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Worship Music: *In the Bulb There is a Flower*

HWB 614

Time of Offering

Offering Invitation

Offering Prayer

Children's Time

*The Net*

*O Love that Will Not Let Me Go*

Scripture Reading

Message

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude

HWB 577

1 Kings 19: 19-21 (Pew Bible p.195)

*Burn the Plow*

HWB 327

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**Worship Participants:** Elvera Deckert, accompanist; worship music arranged by Joann Stahl; & Todd Jones, worship leader, children's story & message

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

- Moses Glanzer
- Delmer Hofer
- Lucilla Dewald (Mother of Glenda Langeland)
- Larry Hofer
- Randy Pullman (brother of LeRoy Pullman)
- Additional Prayers

### **TODAY — January 29, 2017**

*Greeters:* Alvina Hofer & Monica Hofer

9:45 am: Worship Service

*Coffee Time:* Vernon & Twyla Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School

2:30 pm: Worship @ Oakview Terrace (*Cancelled due to Quarantine*)

### **NEXT SUNDAY — February 5, 2017**

*Greeters:* Steve Mendel & Moses Glanzer

*Accompanist:* Norma Hofer

*Worship Leader:* Larry Tschetter

*Worship Music:* Lavonne Tschetter

*Coffee Time:* Cameron & Rina Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School for All Ages

## JANUARY PROJECTS

January Project: Blankets, sheets, and towels for MCC  
Children's S.S. Dec/Jan/Feb Project: MCC Congo Project

## THIS WEEK

Monday, 6:30pm: Christian Education Meeting  
Tuesday, 7:00 pm: Deacons' Meeting (Hofer residence)  
Wednesday, 12:00 pm: *Connection!* deadline  
Wednesday, 6:30 pm: Soup supper and Midweek Bible study

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS—February

Feb. 1, 10:00am: Freeman Ministerial (South Church)  
6:30pm: Soup Fellowship & Midweek Bible Study  
Feb. 6, 6:30pm: Worship Team Meeting (Lenten Planning)  
Feb. 7, 6:30pm: Soup Fellowship & Midweek Bible Study  
Feb. 13, 7:00pm: Prayer Shawl  
Feb. 15, 6:30pm: Soup Fellowship & Midweek Bible Study

Jill Hofer has resigned as **Office Administrative Assistant**. Pastor Todd will be filling the position starting February 1. **Please forward bulletin announcements and *Connection!* items to him starting February 1 at [hutterthal@goldenwest.net](mailto:hutterthal@goldenwest.net) OR [pastortodd@goldenwest.net](mailto:pastortodd@goldenwest.net)**

The following motion was made at the January 19, 2017 Board Meeting: **Following a recommendation by the heating specialist, we move to replace the remaining 2 furnaces in the Sanctuary Wing of HMC.** At this time, funds have been donated to cover the expenses incurred for purchasing and installing the furnaces. On February 5 there will be a congregational meeting to vote on this motion.

The **RADICAL Sunday School Class** will be starting a new book study TODAY. We have chosen Sally Weaver Glick's book, *In Tune With God: the art of congregational discernment*. This book helps congregations learn how to make decisions in healthy ways--focused on God's purposes, and growing in love and truth. Sally Weaver Glick approaches congregational discernment as a process of hearing and entering God's song. Discernment is what we do to distinguish between God's music and our own static and noise. Good discernment, says Weaver Glick, lets God's song sing

through us and shape us, so that we can join in harmoniously, responding to God's love and mercy.  
**Anyone who is interested in learning more about discernment is invited to join us.**

**Midweek Bible Study:** "Courage for the Journey" – Midweek Bible study will continue on February

1. Upcoming sessions include:

February 1– The sojourner: Who are we?

February 8– The Restful Path: Sabbath

February 15– The Shared Path: Soul Friends

February 22– The Quiet Path: Solitude

March 1–The Joyful Path: Worship

Each Wednesday session begins with an optional **soup supper fellowship beginning at 6:30pm with the study starting at 7pm.** Please come out for an evening of biblical wisdom, practical guidance and light-hearted inspiration. Leave feeling prepared to face life's challenges with courage and strength. No preparation is required beforehand – you are simply invited to join us.: watch for encouraging emails in your inbox throughout the weeks of the study (printed copies are available). – Jill Hofer and Michelle Hofer

### **Delegates Needed!**

The Church Board is currently seeking 4 adult delegates for the CPMC Annual Meeting, June 15-18, 2017 in Sioux Falls, SD. Those interested in attending as a HMC delegate are asked to speak with Dennis Schrock. (The Registration Fee is covered by the church.)

The Church Board is currently seeking 1 adult delegate for the MCUSA Biennial Gathering in Orlando, FL, July 4-8, 2017. Those interested in attending as the HMC Delegate are asked to speak with Dennis Schrock. (The Registration Fee is covered by the church and Registration is currently open.)

**Oakview Nursing Home** is in desperate need of kitchen/dining room help. The administrator would gladly accept volunteers to assist the staff there with food & meal preparations.

**MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program is seeking volunteer groups and summer staff.** Summer will be here before we know it, so make your summer plans now to join SWAP in Kentucky. Don't miss out on your chance to serve with this home repair ministry while learning about life in Appalachia. Groups or individuals can volunteer to serve as week-long volunteers. SWAP is also looking for summer staff to serve as job site coordinators and meals

coordinators/cooks for three month assignments. Summer staff vary in age from 19 to 70+, and they receive meals, lodging and a weekly stipend for their service. For more information about bringing a group to SWAP or serving as summer staff, visit [swap.mcc.org](http://swap.mcc.org) or contact Angela Maggard at [AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org](mailto:AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org) or 606-633-5065.

**Valentine's Banquet:** Make reservations to enjoy an evening of soft music and wonderful food with someone you love Sunday, February 12th at Swan Lake Christian Camp. The event begins at 6:30 and ends around 8:30 p.m. in the Still Waters Retreat Center.

**Salem-Zion Mennonite Church** invites you to attend Corey Miller's installation, which will be held on the 12th of February during the morning worship service, beginning at 10:30 a.m. A noon potluck will follow. All are welcome!

### **Schmeckfest Notes:**

**Cheese Pocket making days will be on Feb. 14, 21 & 28** starting at 9 a.m. each day. All help would be appreciated. This is a good time to learn to make cheese pockets. Any questions ask Boni Hofer.

The FA Auxiliary will be **making noodles** for the Schmeckfest Country Kitchen and meals on **January 31** (Tuesday), **February 4** (Saturday) and **February 7** (Tuesday) in the Pioneer Hall dining room starting at 9 a.m. each day. Volunteers to help with the noodle making project will be appreciated.

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