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Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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Prelude Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: God, You have bid us to come.

P: We come as an act of surrender confessing the living Christ.

L: God, You have declared Your rest.

P: In self-denial and discipleship there is the assurance of Your peace, even in trials.

L: God, You have called us Your own.

P: We are a new creation, a people with whom the Spirit now dwells.

L: God, You have given us life.

P: Teach us now not merely to honor this life, but to offer it back to You as a living sacrifice.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: HWB no. 110, O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Children's Time: *The* Most Important Thing

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

Worship Music:

Time of Offering Offertory Invitation Sharing Our Gifts God Will Take Care of You Offering Prayer

Hymn: HWB no. 384, We Give Thee but Thine Own

Scripture Reading: Philippians 3: 7-16 (Pew Bible p. 621)

Silent Meditation

Message: Abundant Life

Hymn: HWB no. 541, How Clear is Our Vocation Lord

Benediction: HWB no. 793, Congregational Commitment

Musical Response

Postlude Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us

Worship Assistants: Phyllis Hofer (organ), worship music arranged by Doug & Becky McCune, and Todd Jones (worship leader, children's time & message)

PRAYER CONCERNS/PRAISES

- · Gary & Jennifer Tschetter (birth of son Grayson Lee on July 21)
- · Carol Detweiler (undergoing treatments)
- **From CPMC:** Pray that those participating in Youth Escape 2014 would encounter God in a transforming way.
- **From MMN:** This is a month of transitions for Mennonite Voluntary Service participants with some finishing their terms and others beginning. Pray that God would bless their coming out and their going in. Pray especially for Matthew Cordella, serving in Elkhart, Ind., as he recovers from back surgery.

TODAY: Youth Breakfast fund-raiser

Greeters: Larry & Brigitta Hofer **Coffee Time**: Larry & Brigitta Hofer

MW July project: Cash - The Banquet (S. Falls) or Gospel Mission

Children's Sun. School project: Swan Lake Christian Camp

NEXT SUNDAY:

Greeters: LeRoy & Kathy Pullman

Organ: Amy Hofer Vetch

Music: Jonathan & Angie Mendel

Coffee Time: Rodney & Amanda Mettler

11:10am: "First Things" Bible Study

THIS WEEK:

Tues.: Deacons Meeting, 7:30pm (Koerner Residence)

Fri.: Men's Group, 9am (parsonage)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug. 7: Children's S.S. Teachers mtg. (HMC)

Aug. 10: Annual S.S. mtg. following worship service

Movie on Main Street (Freeman), 7:30pm

Aug. 17: Youth Sunday & Scholarship Fundraiser Luncheon

Nov. 10-11: MCC Meat Canning @John Deere in Freeman

Please send **bulletin announcements** to hutterthal@goldenwest.net or give to Edie. **Deadline is Thursday noon**.

"**First Things**" Bible Study Offered: The Deacons invite you to participate in a special study of Creation and "First Things" throughout the month of August. The study will include a DVD presentation during the Sunday School hour (starting promptly at 11:10am in the sanctuary) followed by a simple fellowship meal and discussion in the Fellowship Hall. Fifth Grade through Adults will find this to be an intriguing study covering "Dinosaurs and Dragons," "The Mystery of Ancient Man," "The Relevance of Creation," "Global Flood," and "Biblical Authority."

Children's SS Teachers take note - An area introduction to the new children's Shine curriculum published by MennoMedia and that we will be using this next year will be Thursday evening, August 7 at 7:00pm at the North Church. Please plan to attend, see the new material and learn how to best use it.

The **Leadership Selection Committee** is bringing the following ballot to the annual S.S. mtg. on **Sun.**, **Aug. 10**, following the worship service.

Assistant Adult S.S. Superintendent Larry Tschetter Assistant Children's S.S. Superintendent Becky McCune Secretary/Treasurer Phil Thomas Elected Member Delmer Hofer Vacation Bible School Pastor Todd Brandy Friesen Paige Zachariasen one more?

Shalom Readers - This is a reminder that our Shalom program for this year will be ending shortly. Please turn in your reading record and projects on 2 of the books to the library or in Charlene Friesen's mailbox by August 17. "Jesus is the Path to Peace"

The **Trustees** are happy to announce that the painting and carpet project is now complete. Donations are still needed to cover the expenses. Thank you to all who have worked with this project and donated toward it.

Movie on Main Street: The Jackson Lee Vetch Memorial Fund Board would like to invite you to a special, free showing of the film "Heaven is for Real" on August 10 on Main Street in Freeman, SD. The festivities will begin at 7:30pm with a presentation of the "Home Town Hero" Award at 8:00pm and the movie presentation at approximately 8:45pm. Please keep your eye to the Freeman Courier for more details!

Et Cetera Shoppe could use the **large zippered plastic bags** that double, queen and king-sized bedding comes in. We have plenty of the smaller sizes that come from individual blankets, twin sheets, curtain valances, etc., but are looking for larger sizes, for packaging bedding. If you have any stashed away that you're tired of storing, we'd love to take them off your hands! Thanks!

Would your family be open to provide a family relationship and setting for a young person who is far from their home and country? **Freeman Academy** is **looking for a couple of Host Families** to provide a family-type relationship with one of our International Students on a limited basis (or a long-term basis if you choose). This can be a wonderful opportunity for your family to learn about another culture, connect with the world in a more intimate way, and be a blessing to a student far from home. If you are interested please contact Nanette Hofer, Director of International Enrollment at Freeman Academy; 605-925-4237 Ext. 225 or E-mail: nhofer@freemancademy.org Thank you for considering serving in this way!

HELP IRAQIS THROUGH MCC: As armed conflict forces Iraqis from their homes, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is providing vital items for daily life and is planning an ongoing response. MCC also is calling on U.S. lawmakers to oppose military intervention in Iraq and instead to send humanitarian aid. Please help us reach a goal of

12,000 hygiene kits and 3,000 relief kits for uprooted Iraqis and others in the region. Gifts of money support MCC's efforts with partners in Iraq to both respond quickly and continue long-term efforts that build peace. More information is available online at mcc.org/get-involved/kits and donate.mcc.org/iraq or by calling 1-888-563-4676. The Action Alert at mcc.org/advocate-iraq provides a simple way to contact your representatives and the president. Thank you for partnering with MCC to help uprooted people and for your ongoing prayers for peace in the region.