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Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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Prelude

Gathering Song: HWB no. 106,

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Welcome
Lighting of the Peace Lamp
Passing the Peace

Call to Worship: Psalm 138 (NIRV)

Lord, I will praise You with all my heart.
In front of those who think they are gods
I will sing praise to You.

I will bow down facing Your holy temple.

I will praise Your name,

because You are always loving and faithful.

You have honored Your holy word even more than Your own fame.

When I called out to You, You answered me.

You made me strong and brave.

Lord, may all the kings on earth praise You when they hear about what You have decided.

Lord, may they sing about what You have done,

because Your glory is great.

Though the Lord is high above all, He cares for the lowly.

Though He is in heaven above, He sees them on earth below.

Trouble is all around me,

but you keep me alive.

You reach out Your hand to put a stop to the anger of my enemies.

With your powerful right hand You save me.

Lord, You will show that I was right to trust You.

Lord, Your faithful love continues forever.

You have done so much for us, so don't stop now.

Prayer

Hymn: HWB no. 507, Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

Children's Time:Useless Gifts

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Worship Music: HWB no. 385, What Gift Can We Bring

Time of Offering
Offertory Invitation
Sharing Our Gifts
Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading: Silent Meditation 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15 (Pew Bible p. 612)

Hymn: HWB no. 304,

There Are Many Gifts

Message:

Expressions of God's Grace

Hymn: HWB no. 383,

God, Whose Giving

Benediction:

selections from "Article 21: Christian Stewardship" Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective (1997)

We believe that everything belongs to God, who calls us as the church to live as faithful stewards of all that God has entrusted to us.

As servants of God, our primary vocation is to be stewards in God's household.

As persons dependent on God's providence, we are not to be anxious about the necessities of life, but to seek first the Kingdom of God.

We cannot be true servants of God and let our lives be ruled by desire for wealth.

We are called to be stewards in the household of God, set apart for service to God. We live out now, as a witness, the rest and justice which God has promised.

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Charlene Friesen (accompanist), Hannah Jones (welcome), Nanette Hofer (worship music), & Todd Jones (worship leader)

TODAY

Greeters: Todd Koerner & Ian Hofer

9:45am: Worship Service

Coffee Time: Les & Mary Rensink **11:05am:** Sunday School for all ages

MW June Project: cash for The Banquet expenses (Yankton) **Children's S.S. Summer Project:** Swan Lake Christian Camp

2:00pm: Bridal Shower for Lillie Koerner

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Phil & Joline Thomas **Accompanist:** Paige Zachariasen

Worship Music: Dave & Brandy Friesen **Coffee Time:** Norman & Darlene Hofer

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 30-July 5: MCUSA Convention (Kansas City, MO)

July 12: Bridal Shower for Laura Niedert

July 25: SD MCC Relief Sale

PRAYER CONCERNS

- · Rosella Glanzer
- · Heather VanMeveren
- · MCUSA Convention Delegates (Pastor Todd, Jill Hofer, & Colin Hofer)
- · Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC): This week from Tuesday Sunday, youth and adults from across Mennonite Church USA will gather in Kansas City for convention. Pray that many youth will accept the call of Jesus to follow him, and that the Holy Spirit will lead the delegate body toward God's will for our church.
- **Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):** MMN rejoices with Gha-na Mennonite Church, which experienced reconciliation between a group of congregations in the northern part of the country that had withdrawn several years ago. Pray for the newly reunited church that now consists of 28 congregations and a membership of about 5,000 baptized members.
- · Additional Prayers:

Ladies of Hutterthal, join us in fellowship as we offer our congratulations and best wishes to two upcoming Brides! We will be celebrating the upcoming marriage of Lillie Koerner to Andre Eisenbeis with a bridal shower **this afternoon at 2:00 p.m**. We will also be celebrating the upcoming marriage of Laura Niedert to fiancé Patrick Hofer with a shower for them on **Sunday**, **July 12th at 12:00 p.m**. or immediately following Sunday School. Contributions to a group gift can be given to Michelle Neuharth or Jessica Preheim.

The Members and friends of HMC will once again be assisting with a meal at **The Banquet in Yankton.** This year, we will serve on July 2 and we are in need of several things:

- 1) Volunteers for meal prep, serving, and clean up;
- 2) Monetary gifts to offset the cost of the meal (give donations to Ardella Gross, Treas. of Mennonite Women); and
- 3) donations of bars. Those interested in assisting are asked to speak with Dave

Friesen for further instruction. Thank you!

On Sunday, July 12, we will celebrate **Communion** at Hutterthal. Please note that we celebrate an "open table" where all who have come to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ are encouraged and welcomed to participate. We will also be accepting monetary gifts for **the Benevolent Fund** on July 12. The Benevolent Fund is overseen by the Deacons and is used to assist those who are suffering acute financial need. (If you are someone you know is suffering financial hardship, please do not hesitate to speak confidentially with one of our Deacons: Todd Koerner, Monica Hofer, or Monica Clem).

SD MCC Relief Sale: auction registration forms (deadline-June 30) and bike ride/race registration forms (deadline-July 10) are available on the table in the foyer. Please also consider other ways you can donate to the bake sale, craft booth, produce booth, Silent Auction (theme basket), etc., as well as of your time. Check out the website sdmccreliefsale.weebly.com/ and like and **share** us on Facebook to get the word out.

Kuchen making day for the relief sale will be held at Swan Lake Camp on July 11 starting at 9:00. If you are willing, please contact Karen Stucky at 605-660-1849.

Salem (South) Mennonite Church is hosting another **freezer meal event** on **Saturday**, **July 11 at 9 a.m**. Recipes include Ranch/Cheddar Burgers, Bleu Cheese Burgers, Teriyaki Chicken, Sweet and Sour Pork or Chicken, Crockpot Pulled Pork and Zesty Slow Cooker Pork Chop BBQ. Contact Vernetta Waltner at waltners@hotmail.com or 925-7620 or text 605-321-7351 if you are interested in participating.

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