



# Hutterthal Mennonite Church

*Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving*

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**March 11, 2018**  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

## Prelude

## Call to Worship

Leader: Who comes in the name of God? Step into the light and be known.

**People: We are coming, through darkness and fear. We come into the light by the power of God.**

Leader: People of God, God has heard your cries and is opening a way for you.

**People: We are here, through darkness and fear. We come into the light of this day by the power of God.**

Leader: You are here, and God is here. What will you do?

**People: Together we will worship our God.**

## Welcome

## Opening Prayer

## Gathering Hymn

*Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*

*HWB #13*

## Children's Story

## Worship Music

## Offering/Prayer

## Scripture

Ephesians 2: 1-10 (Page #617 in Pew Bible)

## Sermon

Vulnerability

### Confession

God of compassion and consequence,  
some days it's hard to face who we are.  
We like to be in control, to know where we are going.  
Relying on someone else even you, is hard.  
We get impatient and find things to criticize.  
Some of us even like to complain.  
Glossing over past hardships is easier than admitting that we needed your help, and still do.  
We don't want to see how our attitudes and actions make things worse.  
We are sorry. Forgive our ingratitude.  
Grant us the courage to face the truth.

### Words of assurance

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,  
and he saved them from their distress.

*O God, in Restless Living*

*HWB #557*

### Sharing Time/Prayer

### Sending Hymn

*This Little Light of Mine*

*HWB #401*

### Benediction

We are people of God.  
We go in God's love  
to extend God's love  
and live God's promise.

### Musical Response

### Postlude

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### PRAISE/PRAYER CONCERNS

- Anita Watkins( Rebecca Hofer's Mother) - chemo treatments
- Additional Concerns

### TODAY - March 11– Fourth Sunday of Lent

*Greeters:* Marj Hofer & Joyce Hofer

9:45 am: Worship Service  
*Accompanist:* Amy Hofer Vetch  
*Worship Leader:* Todd Koerner  
*Children's Time:* Amanda Mettler  
*Worship Music:* Savanna Timmerman playing the oboe  
*Message:* Jack Scandrett  
*Coffee Time:* Mildred Hofer  
11:10 am: School for all ages

### **NEXT SUNDAY - March 18 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

*Greeters:* Lyndon & Barbie Hofer  
9:45 am: Worship Service  
*Accompanists:* Paige Zachariasen  
*Worship Leader:*  
*Children's time:* Amanda Mettler  
*Worship Music:* No music scheduled  
*Message:* Jack Scandrett  
*Coffee Time:* Brigitta Hofer  
11:10 am: School for all ages

### **MARCH PROJECTS**

**Congregational Ministries:** Soap & Hygiene Kits for MCC

**Children's S.S. Department:** Swan Lake Christian Camp

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**


March 15, 7:30 pm: Church Board meeting

**ALL EMAIL CORRESPONDANCE** to the Church Office Administrative Assistant should be sent to  
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### **CONNECTING TO THE COMMUNITY & BEYOND**

S.D. Mennonite Disaster Service unit annual meeting: Salem Mennonite Brethren Church, rural Bridgewater, today, March 11, at 2 pm. The featured speaker, Maretta Champagne, is from Pine Ridge, S.D. and is Outreach Coordinator for Pine Ridge Long Term Recovery. Region III Coordinators will also be attending the program which will be followed by the business meeting. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Schmeckfest Country Kitchen is asking for donations of food items for March 16, 17, 23 and 24. Poppy seed rolls, fruit pockets, pumpkin rolls, caramel rolls, jams, horseradish and summer savory sell especially well. Donated food items for the Schmeckfest Country Kitchen may be brought to Sterling Hall and should be labeled. Thank you!



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