



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2017

"For every house is built by someone, but the One who builds all things is God"

Hebrews 3: 4, MEV

Prelude	<i>Heilig (arr. W. Ortman)</i>
Gathering	
<i>Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	HWB 110
<i>Je louerai l'Eternal (Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord)</i>	HWB 76
Welcome/Call to Worship	
Prayer	
Scripture Reading	Deuteronomy 6: 1-6 (Pew Bible p. 100)
<i>A Charge to Keep I Have</i>	HWB 393
Sharing Time	
Congregational Prayer	
Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)	
Worship Music	<i>How Can I Keep From Singing? (arr. S. Caracciolo)</i>
Time of Offering	
Offering Invitation	
Offertory Music	<i>View That Holy City (arr. K. Lancaster)</i>
Offering Prayer	

For Christ and the Church

HWB 416

Scripture Reading

Matthew 22: 34-40 (Pew Bible p. 522)

Message

Building Lifeboats

Children's Time

Let the Children Come

Child Dedication: Callum Friesen (son of David & Brandy Friesen)

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

HWB 357

Benediction

Musical Response

Sing Your Way Home (arr. J. M. Martin)

Postlude

PRAYER CONCERNS

- Reagan Medina (scheduled for heart procedure in April)
- Larry Hofer
- Don Fischer (recovering from back surgery)
- Additional Prayers

TODAY — March 19, 2017

Greeters: Marj Hofer & Joyce Hofer

9:45 am: Worship Service

Prelude, Worship Music, Offertory Music, & Musical Response:

Open Road Men's Ensemble

Worship Leader: Monica Clem

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Message: Wayne Stucky, MDS Region III Board Co-Chair

Children's Message: Todd Jones

Coffee Time: Larry & Brigitta Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School

NEXT SUNDAY — March 26, 2017 (4th SUNDAY of LENT)

Greeters: Lyndon & Barbie Hofer

Accompanist: Shirley Hofer

Children's Time & Message: Todd Jones

Coffee Time: Paul & Priscilla Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School for All Ages

MARCH PROJECTS

Congregational Ministries: Soap & Hygiene Kits for MCC

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

THIS WEEK

Sunday-Tuesday: Annual Leader's Retreat (Schuyler, NE)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar. 28, 7:00pm: Connection Advisory Board (parsonage)

Mar. 29, 12:00pm: April Connection! Deadline

Mar. 30, 7:00pm: Deacons Meeting (Hofer Residence)

April 4, 4:00pm: Congregational Ministries Work Night

6:30pm: Connection Advisory Board (parsonage)

April 7, 6:30pm: Gideon's Banquet (Marion)

April 10-12, 7:00pm: Joint Holy Week Services (South Church)

April 30, 7:00pm: Community Baccalaureate Service (Freeman Community Center)

May 29, 9:00am: Vacation Bible School Kick-off!

Everence will present a webinar -**Basics of Investing**- on Tuesday, March 21 at 1:00 PM and again at 7:00 PM. They will discuss how investing can help you meet your financial goals, they'll look at different types of investments, and they'll help you determine your appropriate level of risk. They also will cover how to get started investing. To register, visit everence.com/direct, or contact Everence representative John Clem.

The **Bethel College Concert Choir** from North Newton, Kansas will be in concert **this evening at 7 p.m. at Salem-Zion Mennonite Church**. Everyone is welcome. There will be a freewill offering designated for Mennonite Central Committee taken at the concert.

Freeman Academy has launched a new club for young children in our area to learn and play together. The **UB Bearcats Club** (named for the FA sports mascot) will provide a challenging and fun educational activity and thirty minutes of games and laughter before children enjoy a light snack and head home. Each month a different Freeman Academy teacher will lead the learning

activity and Lynnelle Allison, Enrollment Director, and a parent will coach the games. The topic for **March 13** is learning through music led by Choir Director Amy Hofer Vetch and grades 1-3 Teacher Karla Rupp. UB Bearcats Club meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 5:50-7:15 pm at Sterling Hall on the Freeman Academy campus. ages 4 through 4th grade can join in the fun. Registration is required so adequate supplies and snacks are prepared. Register by calling at 605-925-4237 extension #225 or via email: lallison@freemanacademy.org.

The **S.D. Mennonite Disaster Service** (MDS) unit annual mtg. will be held **this afternoon** at 2 pm at Salem Mennonite Church, rural Freeman. Barb Schrag, leader of the MDS volunteer development and placement team from the MDS binational office in Lititz, PA, will be the featured speaker. A business meeting will follow.

The **Schmeckfest Country Kitchen** is asking for donations of food items for March 24, 25 & 31 and April 1. Poppyseed rolls, fruit pockets, pumpkin rolls, caramel rolls, jams, horseradish and summer savory sell especially well. Items should be labeled. Thank you!

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to work at Schmeckfest! Table servers, clearers & resetters are still needed for all four days, especially the first weekend, March 24 & 25. you are willing to help, please contact Debra Schmeichel @ 648-3430 or ssag@goldenwest.net.

According to the United Nations, the world is facing the largest humanitarian crisis since the second world war. More than 20 million people across Yemen, Somalia, South Sudan and northeast Nigeria are facing or are at risk of famine. Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is working in the area to provide **emergency food assistance** and increase its response to the crisis. Because of serious conflicts and concerns for safe, unimpeded access for humanitarian assistance, this process is slow and challenging. To donate to MCC's relief fund, which supports MCC's response to this disaster and others, visit mcc.org/learn/what/relief, call 1-888-563-4676 send a check to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500.

Calling, actors, musicians, artists, singers! We are looking for people to assist with leading and accompanying congregational worship during this year's Annual Meeting. We are looking specifically for:

People willing to help present the Scriptures

Instrumental musicians with a high-school level proficiency on their instrument

Vocalists capable of singing in a choir

Artists willing to aid in a worship design for the front of our worship space

If you will be attending Annual Meeting in Sioux Falls during June and you are willing to help with the one or more of the worship services, please follow this link and complete the survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GSHNZKZ>

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