



# Hutterthal Mennonite Church

*Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving*

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## Seventh Sunday of Easter May 28, 2017

Prelude	
Gathering Hymn	
<i>Holy God, we praise thy name</i>	HWB 121
Call to Worship	
Prayer	
Welcome	
<i>In Thee is Gladness</i>	HWB 114
Scripture Reading	John 15: 7-11 (Pew Bible p. 571)
Children's Time	
Worship Music	
Sharing Time	
Congregational Prayer	
Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)	
Time of Offering	
Offering Invitation	
Offertory Music	
Offertory Prayer	
<i>We are people of God's peace</i>	HWB 407
Scripture Reading	Psalms 66 (Pew Bible p. 306)
Message	Make a Joyful Noise to God
<i>In the rifted Rock I'm resting</i>	HWB 526
Benediction	
Musical Response	

## Postlude

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### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

- Pastor Todd & family during this time of Sabbatical
- Family of Larry Hofer (funeral was held this past Wednesday)
- Christopher Hofer (recently came home from NICU)
- Vacation Bible School
- CPMC Annual Meeting
- Additional Prayers

### **TODAY - May 28, 2017**

*Greeters:* Phil & Joline Thomas

9:45 am: Worship Service

*Accompanist:* Paige Zachariasen

*Song Leader:* Clara Koerner

*Worship Leader:* Todd Koerner

*Worship Music:* Mischa Bishota (arranged by Gordon & Sharon Waltner)

*Children's Message:* Becky McCune

*Message:* Allan Dueck

*Coffee Time:* Lyndon & Barbie Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School

### **NEXT SUNDAY - June 4, 2017 VBS SUNDAY**

*Greeters:* Donovan & Sherryl Friesen

**10:30am: Worship Service**

*Accompanist:* Amy Hofer Vetch

*Worship Leader:* Dave Friesen

*Worship Music:* VBS

*Message:* VBS

*Coffee Time:* NO COFFEE TIME

"Picnic" cookout: following VBS program

### **MAY PROJECTS**

- Congregational Ministries: Infant Care Kits - make your own (see S.S. foyer for list of kit contents)  
**OR** contact Sharon Waltner (\$25/kit)
- Children's S.S. Department Project: Swan Lake Christian Camp

### **THIS WEEK**

May 29-June 2, 9:00am-12pm: Vacation Bible School

May 31, 12:00pm: Freeman Network for Justice & Peace will meet in the Freeman Public Library; everyone is invited

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

June 15-18: CPMC Annual Meeting in Sioux Falls

July 6: Serve at Banquet in Yankton

July 22: SD MCC Relief Sale, Pioneer Hall, Freeman Academy campus

As a congregation we want to **support Jaime Tschetter** as she begins her **one year term of service** with Mennonite Voluntary Service in Tucson, AZ. Words of encouragement, prayers and financial support will be much appreciated. For more information, check the letter that was in your church mailbox. There is an offering **basket in the foyer this morning** to raise money for Jaime's support through Mennonite Mission Network (MMN). Make checks payable to Hutterthal and we will send one check to MMN.

**VBS begins tomorrow morning** (9:00am-12noon) and runs through Friday with a program on Sunday morning, **June 4, beginning at 10:30am**. ACE, the Artic Circle Exploration Co., will explore the Bible, the coolest book on the planet.

**Time to Celebrate!!** There will be a '**picnic**' **cookout** celebrating Vacation Bible School on **June 4th**, following the church/VBS program. **Everyone is invited**. Please bring a salad and/or something that would complement ice cream (for example: cookies, brownies). There will be a free will donation, to help cover the cost. Thank you Kathy Pullman

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RECENT HMC GRADUATES**

Madeline Hofer - 8th grade, Freeman Public.

Hannah Jones - 8th grade, Freeman Academy.

Xavier Ward - High School, Canistota High School

Jaime Tschetter - Bethel College, N. Newton KS, with degrees in  
Elementary Education and Special Education.

Kate Friesen - M. Div. from Sioux Falls Seminary

## **CONNECTING TO THE COMMUNITY**

**Please be reminded** to have your Freeman Regional Hospital Auxiliary Fund Drive form completed and returned to Joyce Hofer **by May 31**.

**Freeman Network for Justice and Peace** will be showing the DVD "**With God on our Side**" at the **Freeman Community Center next Sunday evening at 7:00**. It takes a look at the theology and politics of Christian Zionism and asks "Is there a Biblical alternative for Christians who love and support the people of Israel? A way that doesn't favor one people group over another but instead promotes peace, security and reconciliation for both Jews and Palestinians. Joy Lapp, Professor of

religion at Iowa Wesleyan University in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa and a member of the Mennonite Church USA steering committee, will be present to help us better understand the age-old conflict in the Holy Land. She has just returned from her annual trip to this region. All are welcome to attend.

**Rural Revival** will meet on **Monday, June 5, at 8:00pm** in the downtown Freeman Public Library. All are welcome to attend. Please visit our website at [www.ruralrevival.org](http://www.ruralrevival.org)

We are looking for **volunteers** for the Swan Lake Marathon, ½ Marathon, 5K and Marathon Relay races coming up on **June 11** at Swan Lake Christian Camp. Some areas that are needed: aid stations, finish line, dining room hosts for brunch and course marshals. Contact Renee for more information: [marathon@myslcc.com](mailto:marathon@myslcc.com) Thanks!

Are you passionate about being part of a Christ-centered community? Register today before the fee goes up tomorrow **for Central Plains Annual Meeting June 15-18** in Sioux Falls. Hear **Meghan Good**, visit with your conference sisters and brothers, and learn how our covenant of spiritual practices is shaping congregations. Find registration information in your church office and at [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org) **Youth ages 15 to 20:** Are you thinking of coming to Central Plains Annual Meeting? We'd love to have you! Talk to Monica Clem

**ATTENTION BIKE RIDERS:** Registration forms for the SD MCC Relief Sale Bike Race/Ride are available on the table in the foyer.

The **Swan Lake Christian Camp May newsletter** is available to view at [www.myslcc.com](http://www.myslcc.com) See the latest happenings at Swan Lake and meet our summer program staff.

The MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton, Kansas is running particularly low on the following items: bottles of shampoo (13-24 oz.), bars of infant friendly/mild soap, infant sleepers/onesies (sizes 3-9 months), men's crew socks (white). Without these items, various kits cannot be completed so we need your help! Kit items can be dropped off at 121 E. 30th in North Newton or purchased online (Amazon Smile or other online retailers) and shipped directly to MCC. Questions? Please contact Kate Mast 316.283.2720, [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org)

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