



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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CROSS-CULTURE THAILAND TREK May 31, 2015

Welcome

**Lighting of the Peace Lamp
Passing the Peace**

Gathering Song: STJ no. 9,

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Call to Worship:

based on HWB no. 671

L: God, we come seeking You in our worship together, We come to You for truth, because we are untrue. We come to You for strength because we are weak. We come to You for wisdom because we are unwise.

P: Move in our midst; show us Your truth, Your strength, and Your wisdom, through Jesus Christ.

L: Reveal to us what it means to be real, loving, forgiving, and faithful, not once or once in a while, but forever.

P: For, You are a forever God.

ALL: Believe it!

Prayer

Scripture Reading:

John 3: 16-21 (Pew Bible p. 561)

Silent Meditation

Hymn: STJ no. 95,

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Time of Offering

Offertory Invitation

Sharing Our Gifts

Offertory Prayer

Hymn: STJ no. 53,

O God in Heaven

Message:

God Sightings

The Message in Song:

Forever God, Forever Love

Jesus Is Alive

My God

One Way

One True God

Prayer

Hymn:

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

Benediction:

Doxology

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Paige Zachariasen (accompanist), Todd Jones (worship leader), Clara Koerner (VBS Song Leader), and the "Thailand Trek" VBS Singers (message

in song)

TODAY

Greeters: Colin & Michelle Hofer

10:30am: VBS Closing Worship

11:45: VBS Celebration Lunch

MW May Project: cash for MEDA project

Children's S.S. Spring Project: First Fruit Community Gardens

NEXT SUNDAY

9.45am: Worship service

Greeters: Shane & Amy Hofer Vetch

Accompanist: Edie Tschetter/Koerners

Worship Music: Elvera Deckert

Coffee Time: William & Joann Stahl

12:00 noon: Shalom Readers Kick-Off Pizza Party

THIS WEEK

Mon.: Freeman Network for Justice & Peace, 11:30am (Library)

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 10: Church Cleaning, 6:30pm

June 11: Church Cleaning, 9:00am

June 18-21: CPMC Annual Meeting (St. Paul, MN)

June 28, 2:00pm: Bridal Shower for Lillie Koerner

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

· ***Vacation Bible School***

· ***Heather VanMeveren***

· ***Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC):*** Today, Joe Walks Along, Jr., will be installed as pastor at Lame Deer Mennonite Church in Lame Deer, Montana. Pray for God's vision to be realized in Joe's ministry in Lame Deer.

· ***Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):*** Thank God for Connie and Dennis Byler's decades of ministry with MMN in Spain. Pray for complete healing for

Connie who has undergone several eye surgeries in the past year.

· ***Additional Prayers:***

Shalom Reader's Club Kickoff with a pizza party, reading and activities for children. June 7, noon -1:00 pm. At the church.

Annual church cleaning will be scheduled for the second week of June. Wednesday evening, **June 10 at 6:30pm** we will be cleaning the sanctuary and basement. Thursday morning, **June 11 at 9:00am** cleaning in the educational wing will be done. Preliminary jobs and other major jobs will also be assigned. Please allow a few hours in your schedules to participate in this necessary work.

Freeman Academy Studio Subscription Series is excited to host ASS3MBLY, at Salem-Zion Mennonite (North) Church **Sunday, May 31, at 7:30 pm**. See complete details in Freeman Courier. Tickets may be purchased at the door and include a dessert reception. Contact Amy Hofer Vetch at ahofer@freemanacademy.org or 925-4237 X240 for further information.

Freeman Network for Justice & Peace will meet on **Monday, June 1, 11:30** at the Freeman Public Library. All are welcome.

Rural Revival will meet on Monday, June 1 at 8:00pm in the Freeman Public Library. All are welcome! (For more info: www.ruralrevival.org)

Heritage Hall Museum and Archives is planning Freeman **Heritage Tours** again this summer. Tour participants will travel by bus to a number of historical sites of original settlements in the larger Freeman community. Norman Hofer will be the guide through the West Freeman area on **June 9**, and Roy Kaufman and Bob Engbrecht will be the guides for the East Freeman tour on **June 23**. Participation in these tours requires pre-registration and space will be limited to bus seats. Adults are \$15, members are \$10, and students are free. If you wish to participate or would like more information, call 605-925-7545 and leave a message or 605-421-1318 or email museum@freemaninfo.com to **register by June 8**.

One page of Schmeckfest reports was not included in the original packet. Copies of these additional reports are available on your table in the foyer. Our apologies for this omission!

Vernetta Waltner

FIRST FRUITS COMMUNITY GARDEN is launching into its second year with the primary goal of providing fresh produce for the Freeman Bethany food pantry. Local churches and organizations are invited to participate in this ministry by weeding or harvesting for one or more weeks during the gardening season. We envision groups of 2 to 6 individuals, such as family groups, youth groups, Sunday school classes, 4-H clubs, etc, adopting the garden for a week at a time, probably working once or twice in that week. You would be informed of the specific work that needs to be done for the week which you chose. Questions? Contact Todd Koerner, 360-4604 or Dennis Ries, 925-7788