



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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*"How sweet are Your words [God] to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth"*

Psalm 119: 103, NKJV

Prelude

*Panis Angelicus, Franck
I never walk alone, Ashley*

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

L: We have gathered in God's holy presence, the One who etches grace upon our hearts.

P: This is the place where God will transform us into disciples.

ALL: These are the people with whom God is calling me to serve.

L: We glorify our God who yearns for justice, not just for a favored few, but for the least of our world.

P: This is the place where God will write compassion on our souls.

ALL: These are the people with whom God has called me to be vulnerable.

L: We give thanks to God for unceasing grace; we remember God's persistence in saving us.

P: This is the place where God will breathe the Word into our lives.

ALL: These are the people through whom God is bringing His Word to life.

L: This is the church.

ALL: And, we are the church together!

Prayer

Welcome

Hymn: HWB no. 313,

Rejoice, Rejoice in God

Scripture Reading:
Silent Meditation

2 Timothy 3: 10-17 (Pew Bible p. 628)

Children's Time:

Working for Justice

Time of Offering

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Music

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Mansfield

Offertory Prayer

Hymn: HWB no. 315,

This is a Story Full of Love

Message:

Strengthened to Carry On

Worship Music

Hymn: STJ no. 27,

God of the Bible

Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Norma Lee Hofer, accompanist; Todd Jones, worship leader, children's story, message; and LaVonne Tschetter, worship music

PRAYER CONCERNS

- **Family of Cathy Jones** (passed away 10/3/16)
- **Family of Francis Pitts** (passed away on 10/12/16)
- **Larry Hofer**
- **Frank Wiebe**

- **Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC):** Pray for the Central Plains Pastoral Leadership Committee as they interview and credential pastors and other leaders for our conference congregations. Willis Busenitz is the chair and Tim Detweiler staffs the committee.
- **Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):** Praise God for Lillian and Norm Nicolson's long-term commitment to share God's word with the Siamou people of Burkina Faso through MMN and Mennonite Church Canada. Pray for someone willing to be an educational child-care worker to help teach their children, Nadine (7) and Kenneth (4).
- **Additional Prayers**

TODAY—October 16

Greeters: Phil & Joline Thomas

9:45 am: Worship Service

Coffee Time: Delmer & Shirley Hofer

11:10am: Sunday School for All Ages

NEXT SUNDAY— October 23

Greeters: Cameron & Rina Hofer

Accompanist: Paige Zachariason

Worship Music: Les & Mary Rensink

Coffee Time: Moses Glanzer

Moment-in-Mission: Gideon's International

2:30 pm: Joint MW/MM Meeting

THIS WEEK

Monday, 10:10am: Worship (Freeman Academy)

Tuesday, 9:15 am: Pastor-Peer

Saturday, 8:00am: "Sioux Falls to the Nations" (Sioux Falls)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 26: November *Connection!* Deadline

Oct. 27, 8:00pm: Church Board

Oct. 30: Harvest Mission Festival featuring Aaron Myers

Nov. 1: District Oral Interpretation (Mitchell)

7:00 pm: Deacons' Meeting (parsonage)

Nov. 2, 10:00am: Freeman Ministerial (Oakview Terrace)

Nov. 6: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

Nov. 9, 12:00pm: FNJP (Freeman Library)

Nov. 14-15: Meat Canner

Nov. 24, 10:00am: Thanksgiving Day Worship

OCTOBER PROJECTS:

MW October Project: MCC Relief Kits. (Sharon Waltner is available to purchase the supplies for the kits – cost is \$50. Please make your check out to Sharon Waltner)

Children's S.S. Fall Project: Bethany Food Pantry

Harvest Mission Festival (October 30, 2016):

- A Note regarding our Mission Speaker, Aaron Myers: After serving four and half years as missionaries in Istanbul, Turkey, Aaron and Consuelo Myers returned to the U.S. with a heart to stay involved in ministering the love of Jesus to Muslims. They continue to do that as they work as the South Dakota Area Coordinators for Crescent Project, a mission organization focused on inspiring and training the church to reach the increasing Muslim population here in North. Aaron and Consuelo, along with their children Malachi and Sonora, live in Marion, SD.
- For the noon meal this year, we will be sharing in a potluck meal. Please bring a favorite dish or two to share. Table service and drinks will be provided. We look forward to fellowship around the tables and encourage everyone to be a part of this annual event. --The Deacons

The second **Central Plains Bible Study Webinar** is around the corner! We had a great turnout for the first one--join us at **7:30pm on Monday, October 24**. In *A Two-Edged Sword: Reading the Bible Like an Anabaptist*, we will look at some of the difficult texts in the Bible. These webinars are especially for Sunday School teachers and Bible study leaders, but anyone is welcome. RSVP on the Bible Study Webinars page at www.centralplainsmc.org by Thursday, October 20. Jill Hofer will be hosting a group viewing of the webinar: if you would like to participate in the webinar at the Hofer household, please connect with Jill.

The **2016 MDS Region III Annual Meeting** will be held November 18-19 at Kalona Mennonite Church (902 6th Street), Kalona, IA and hosted by the Iowa Unit.

- This year's theme is MDS = SDM, Serving the Divine Master. Friday registration begins at 4:00 pm with evening activities starting at 6:15 to include a banquet, fellowship, music and featured speaker—Brooks Simpson, Senior Pastor of Grace Community Church, North Liberty, IA. Saturday begins with breakfast at 7:30 am followed by worship, Region III business, and sharing to conclude with lunch at

12:30 pm.

- Sharing will include Jordan Miller (Kansas Unit) telling the story of the Partnership Home Project for the Wakefield, NE family. Kevin King, MDS Executive Director will give an MDS bi-national update and Mark Beach, MDS Communications Manager will share “New Ways to Engage our Audience.”
- Registration forms for lodging options and registration details are available in the foyer. Please submit registration by November 5, 2016.

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) welcomes **donations of money for its disaster response in Haiti**, where people are suffering the effects of Hurricane Matthew, which crossed the country Oct. 4. Matthew's high winds and extensive flooding caused significant damage and increased already heightened cholera concerns in the Artibonite Valley, where MCC's long-term reforestation program operates. To donate, visit www.mcc.org/hurricane-matthew 1-888-563-4676 or send a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501.

Join MCC on a **Learning Tour to Kenya** Feb 27-March 11, 2017! Tour highlights include seeing a sand dam in action, learning more about sustainable food projects, meeting the kids at MCC supported education programs and enjoying a 1-day safari. Contact Anna Yoder annayoder@mcc.org or 316.283.2720 for more information.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

TODAY at 7:00 pm, the **Heritage Hall Historical Society** is hosting Library Director Robert Russell from Northern State University as he presents, “**Voices From the Past, For the Future: Preservation of Germans from Russia History at NSU**” at the Interpretive Center in Freeman. The Cultural Center's goal is to gather information about the Germans from Russia who settled in SD and become a resource that anyone can access via the internet. Russell will be in Freeman to conduct several interviews and will share more about their Oral History Project as well. Admission is \$5. Historical Society members get in free.

The Freeman Academy Music Department will present their **Fall Concert** Thursday, October 20, at 7:30 p.m. in Pioneer Hall. A variety of music will be performed by the Vocal Department (grades 4-12) and the Concert Band (grades 7-12). Come join us!

Freeman Academy's annual fall church drive will be held TODAY. During this traditional harvest season, we invite alumni and friends of Freeman Academy to consider a gift for the school's general fund. Help us surpass this year's goal of \$40,000! Bruce

Hofer and Lyndon Hofer will be available in the library TODAY to receive your donations. If you are not in church those Sundays and would like to participate, self-addressed envelopes are available on the narthex table for you to drop off at the school or put into the mail.

Grace Notes, consisting of Dan, Julie and Emily Aughenbaugh, will present a **sacred concert TODAY** at the First United Methodist Church at 4 p.m. The church is located at 207 West 11th St. in Yankton. The Aughenbaughs, formerly of the Freeman area, now reside in Rapid City. A freewill offering will be received. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

The first rehearsal of **Swiss Choral** will be held next Sunday, October 23rd at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary of the Salem Zion (North) Church. All are welcome to attend the rehearsals and be a part of the Chorale. Music scores will be provided as well as babysitting services. This year's annual production, which will be held on the Friday after Thanksgiving, is a "hymn sing". The Chorale will be performing a selection of hymn arrangements for the audience and then will participate in singing a selection of hymns from the hymnal with the audience.

Piano Night at the Lake will be held November 5, 2016 at Swan Lake Christian Camp at 6:00 pm. Come for a night of music in the Still Waters Retreat Center while enjoying a delicious five course meal. There is no charge for the event, but donations will be accepted and reservations are required as seating is limited. a fundraiser event with all proceeds going toward completion of the Still Waters Retreat Center. Please call the camp at 605-326-5690 for reservations.

Salem Mennonite Home is having a rummage sale and silent auction on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Old Fire Station, 185 East 3rd Street. Donations of all types are being sought from the community with proceeds to go to the Salem Mennonite Home whirlpool Tub Fund, which is a request of the resident council. Receipts will be available for donors. A Silent Auction is being held for antiques and collectibles. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex for further details.