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Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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**Prelude:** 

Two Gavottes (J.S. Bach/Andraud)

Woodwind Trio: Polly Carlson, flute;

Hannah Yoder, oboe; Sarah Miller, clarinet

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

# **Choral Call to Worship:**

Oba Se Je [Here Comes the King!]

(arr. Christopher Aspaas); FA Chamber Choir

Solo: Stephen Waltner; Djembe: Bethany Wollman

Sticks: Ben Miao & Ashley Fink

### **Prayer**

### **Call to Worship:**

L: In our gathering together let us ponder God. Let us be aware of God's wonders and signs:

All: The blowing wind, the rising and setting sun, the harvest fields and colors of fall.

L: In the beginning, in their ending, they give God their praise.

All: God's word is in all creation, visible and invisible.

L: In troubled hearts and anxious minds, in joyous celebration and wonderful expressions of fellowship, our God is present — a still small voice, a mighty whirlwind.

ALL: God is in our midst, revealing His wonders, making manifest His grace.

L: May we find comfort in His presence.

P: May we rejoice in knowing and being known.

**Gathering Songs:** HWB no. 37,

HWB no. 46,

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty I Sing the Mighty Power of God

**Sharing Time** 

**Congregational Prayer** 

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Children's Time:

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

**Moment-in-Mission:** 

Faith-Inspired Learning for Life

**Worship Music:** 

Daniel, Daniel, Servant of the Lord (arr. US. Moore)

Concert Choir; Soloist: Bethany Wollman & Jeffrey Graber

(Felix Mendelssohn) Verleih uns Frieden

Chamber Choir; Piano: Debra Schmeichel

TRANSLATION: Grant us Thy peace, Almighty Lord, Thou Source of every blessing! Feeble and frail, we trust Thy work, all things in Thee possessing. In Thee is our hope and safety.

**Time of Offering** 

**Offertory Invitation** 

**Sharing Our Gifts:** 

Battle of Jericho (arr. Daniel Johnson)

Brass Trio: Ryan Haggerty &

Bethany Wollman, trombone

Brennan Haggerty, tuba

**Offertory Prayer** 

Scripture Reading: Silent Meditation

Job 38: 1-7 & 34-41 (Pew Bible p. 285)

**Hymn:** STJ no. 16, Praise with Joy, the World's Creator

Message: Center Stage

**Hymn:** HWB no. 70, Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

**Benediction** 

**Musical Response** 

**Postlude** 

**Worship Participants:** Dennis Schrock (worship leader), Meredith Graber, HWB no. 37; Annie Carlson, HWB no. 46; Ryan Haggerty, STJ no. 16; & Hannah Yoder, HWB no. 70 (accompanists), Katie Minster (moment-in-mission), and Todd Jones (children's time and message)

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

- · Family of Angeline Mendel
- · Gordon Hofer
- · Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC) Today is the first of several days of meetings for the Mennonite Church USA Constituency Leaders Council. Pray for God's guidance as these representatives of the 21 area conferences meet, and pray for wisdom for David Boshart as he facilitates the meetings.
- **Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):** Deb and Wes Bergen of Mennonite Mission Network live at Good News Theological College and Seminary in Ghana. Pray for Wes as he teaches Bible classes, and for Deb as she works with a team to help people in West African countries process trauma.
- · Additional Prayers:

## **TODAY**

**Greeters:** Gordon & Alvina Hofer

**9:45am:** Worship Service **Coffee Time:** Moses Glanzer

11:05am: Sunday School for all ages

**MW October Project:** Relief Kits

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

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Accompanist:** Charlene Friesen

**Worship Music:** Ladies Group (LaVonne Tschetter)

**Coffee Time:** Delmer & Shirley Hofer

#### THIS WEEK

**Mon.:** 9:15am Pastor-Peer (Sioux Falls)

**Wed.:** 12pm November *Connection*! Deadline

**Thurs:** 7:00pm Leadership Discernment Committee

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 28: 7:00pm Music Committee

Nov. 1: Harvest Mission Fest feat. James Krabill

Nov. 2: 8:00pm Rural Revival (Freeman Library)

**Nov. 3:** Oral Interpretation Districts (Mitchell)

**Nov. 4:** 11:30am Freeman Network for Justice & Peace (Library)

7:00pm Mennonite Women annual meeting

**The quilt** currently on display was presented to the Freeman Network for Justice and Peace (FNJP) by "The Horizons Team" of Wagner, SD with whom FNJP is currently in relationship working toward community-to-community relationships. The quilt was stitched by Margaret Zephier and speaks to the common vision of establishing dialogue between neighbors (specifically, the Yankton Sioux Nation and the surrounding European settlers).

**Freeman Academy's annual church** drive **concludes 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! Committee members will be available in the library to receive your donations. If you are unable to be in church and would like to participate, self-addressed envelopes are available on the table in the foyer for you to drop off at the school or put into the mail.

**THE MENNONITE** Anyone interested in getting The Mennonite for 2016 give your check of \$37, made out to The Mennonite, to Ardella Gross **TODAY**.

**Attention ladies:** If you have an annual report for the Mennonite Women annual meeting, please submit it to Amanda Mettler **by October 25th.** 

A Blue Christmas — "Comfort, comfort my people", says God. There are many moments in our lives when we need comfort. There are tough times when we yearn for consolation. The suffering people who looked for the long-awaited Messiah were given a hope-filled image of God in the writings of Isaiah. It expresses the belief that no matter what happens to us, God will be there to comfort and support us. Holidays can be a time for many when we are in need of that reassurance and com-fort. Perhaps we are grieving over the loss of a loved one, struggling with illness, or have experienced the loss of a job. We wonder how we will get through the holidays. Salem Mennonite (South Church) extends an invitation to join them for a "Blue Christmas" service on November 1 at 7:00 PM. The service is reflective, with a focus on hope and healing utilizing scripture, music and prayer.

**Swan Lake Christian Camp** will be hosting the 2nd annual "**Piano Night at the Lake**" fundraising event on **November 21**. The evening begins at 6:00 pm. A five course meal will be served while you are entertained with piano music from Ken Mannes, Austin Unruh, Pauline Buller, Carol Flower along with stringed music from sisters Yolanda and Lennea Clark. Free-will donations will be accepted and will help with completion of the new retreat center. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Please call the camp at 605-326-5690 to reserve your seat.

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