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Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

HARVEST MISSION FESTIVAL October 30, 2016

"... you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to [Jesus] in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 1: 8, NKJV

Prelude

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

L: We gather in the name of the living Christ that we might worship the one true God.

P: Surely, God is in this place and calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

L: God's love is for you and for all people in all places, democrat or republican, American or Pakistani, African or Asian — people of all tribes and tongues.

P: that we might share God's love and life — that we and all may be renewed in the refreshing Spirit of the living Christ.

L: Yes, the living Christ is with us,

P: poured into our hearts, poured through us to the world.

ALL: Praise be to God!

Prayer

Welcome

Hymn: HWB no. 289,

Filled with the Spirit's Power

Scripture Reading: Silent Meditation

2 Corinthians 5: 17-21

Children's Time:

Time of Offering Offertory Invitation Offertory Music Offertory Prayer

Hymn: STJ no. 30, Jesus Christ is Waiting

Message: Our Role in Completing the Great Commission

Worship Music:

Sharing Time
Congregational Prayer
Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Hymn: HWB no. 398, I Love to Tell the Story

Benediction: HWB no. 399, Now Go Forward

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Amy Hofer Vetch, accompanist; Todd Jones, worship leader, children's story; Aaron Myers message; and Hannah Jones, worship music arranged by Rodney & Amanda Mettler

PRAYER CONCERNS

- Larry Hofer
- Frank Wiebe
- **Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC):** This first Tuesday of the month, join Friends of Pastor Max and conference ministers in fasting and praying for the Max and Gloria Villatoro Family, that God would make a way for them to be reunited.

- **Mennonite Mission Network (MMN):** Delicia Bravo and Peter Wigginton of MMN use their gifts in music, education, and children's and youth ministries in the programs of the Mennonite churches in Ecuador. Pray for them as they also serve as coordinators for partnerships with churches in Colombia and the United States.
- Additional Prayers

TODAY—October 30, Harvest Mission Festival

Greeters: Ray & Joyce Hofer **9:45 am:** Worship Service

Coffee Time: NO COFFEE TODAY! **11:10am:** Sunday School for All Ages

NEXT SUNDAY— November 6—DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Greeters: Steve Mendel & Moses Glanzer

Accompanist: Elvera Deckert

Worship Music: Sunday School children **Coffee Time:** LeRoy & Kathy Pullman

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: District Oral Interpretation (Mitchell)

7:00 pm: Deacons' Meeting (parsonage)

Wednesday: November Connection! deadline

10:00am: Freeman Ministerial (Oakview Terrace)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 8, 9:15am: Pastor-Peer (Sioux Falls) **Nov. 9, 12:00pm:** FNJP (Freeman Library)

Nov. 14-15: MCC Meat Canner

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

NOVEMBER PROJECTS:

MW November Project: Cash for CPMC Women **Children's S.S. Fall Project:** Bethany Food Pantry

Youth through adults are encouraged to join us in the sanctuary this morning for a special Sunday School hour conversation with Aaron and Consuelo Myers. Children's classes will continue as normal. (Thank you to all those who are teaching this morning and helping us grow in Christ!)

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.
- Please join us for a noon, potluck meal today. All are welcome and encouraged to attend! -- The Deacons
- Offering Distribution: Our Harvest Mission Festival offering will be allocated as follows: \$1500 to Crescent Ministries and then 60% Mennonite Mission Network and 40% Central Plains Mennonite Conference of the remainder. (Note: If you would like to give to the general fund of HMC, an offering basket will be available in the Foyer to collect these gifts.)

Please be reminded that registration for the **MDS Region #3** meeting in Kalona, IA on November 18-19 is due by Nov. 5.

Annual Reports: Treasurers, financial statement worksheets are due NO LATER THAN November 6. Also, **Committee Chair's**, please submit a written report to Jill by November 6. Annual reports will be placed in Mailboxes on November 20.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Piano Night at the Lake will be held November 5, 2016 at Swan Lake Christian Camp at 6:00 pm. Please call the camp at 605-326-5690 for reservations.

The **annual meeting for the Minn-Kota MCC Relief Sale, Inc.** will be held on Sunday, November 6, 2016 at the Sermon On The Mount in Sioux Falls at 7 PM and following will be presentation by Andrew Wright who is the new Director of Programs for the Central States Region.

Freeman Academy Community Service Day will be held Friday, November 4. Students and staff will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to do leaf raking for persons who need assistance with strenuous work and who live in Freeman. All work is strictly volunteer - NO PAYMENT is accepted for the work. Please call the school office, 925-4237, by noon November 1 to schedule a job.

Last Sunday, Mennonite Women and Men met to discuss the future of both organizations. Mennonite Men voted to dissolve their organization and their Service Committee and Table/chair set-up organizer became part of the newly named **HMC Congregational Ministries** group.