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Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

October 8, 2017 Freeman Academy Sunday

Prelude

If Thou Be Near

How Great Thou Art

Brass Ensembles

J.S. Bach, arr. Beeler

arr. Kunda

(Stephen Waltner & Areli Cortes, trumpets; Annie Carlson & Angel Hernandez, French horns; Josie Epp & Ryan Brockmueller, trombones; Titus Roesler, baritone; Brennan Haggerty, tuba)

Choral Call to Worship *Jubilate*

Craig Courtney

(Josie Epp, piano; Areli Cortes, trumpet)

FA Concert Choir

Welcome/Prayer Gathering Hymn

Christ is our cornerstone HWB #43

Worship Music

Exsultate iust da Viadana

Translation: Rejoice, you just, in the Lord; becoming for the upright. Praise the Lord with the harp; sing to Him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; skillfully with a loud noise."

FA Chamber Choir

God is here among us HWB #16

Time of Offering

Offering Invitation

Offertory Music Flute-Oboe Duet

Sonatine No. V, from Op. 96 Köhler

(Meredith Graber, flute; Phillip Balzer, oboe)

Offertory Prayer

Moment in Mission Freeman Academy

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading Acts 2:14a, 22-32 (Pew Bible p 575-576)

Sharing - "Simon Peter, the Disciple"

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:1-10 (Pew Bible p527)

Sharing - "Simon Peter, the rest of the story"

Thoughts to Ponder from the Monologue

> I wonder how Peter used his fisherman knowledge to catch disciples?

➤ I wonder why Peter was so impulsive? Was that ever a gift?

➤ I wonder what tendencies of Peter I have and how is God using that for Kingdom Work?

Sending Hymn

For the fruit of all creation HWB #90

Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude

PRAYER CONCERNS

- · Jones family during this time of transition
- · Farmers as they begin the harvest
- · Rina Hofer and Amy Hofer Vetch family members who are living in the hurricane ravaged areas of St. Croix and Puerto Rico.
- · Those affected by the hurricanes, fires & earthquakes and those responding to these crisis areas
- · Victims & families of those affected by the Las Vegas shootings
- · Additional Prayers

TODAY - October 8, 2017- Featuring Freeman Academy

Greeters: Marcella Glanzer & Alvina Hofer

9:45 am: Worship Service

Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch, Paige Zachariasen

Song Leader: Suzanne Koerner Worship Leader: Cole Hofer Moment in Mission: Nathan Epp Scripture Reader: Janette Epp

Monologue: LeRoy Epp

Coffee Time: Bruce & Monica Hofer 11:10 am: Sunday School for all ages

NEXT SUNDAY - October 15, 2017

Greeters: Brigitta Hofer & Monica Clem

9:45 am: Worship Service *Accompanist:* Elvera Deckert

Music: Moses Glanzer *Message:* Brad Anderson

Coffee Time: Delmer & Shirley Hofer

OCTOBER PROJECTS

Congregational Ministries: MCC Relief Kits - purchase your own or

contact Sharon Waltner to purchase (\$50) your kit. **Children's S.S. Department**: Bethany Food Pantry

Remember to inform Dennis Schrock, Todd Koerner or Monica Clem about any hospitalizations, serious illness or other visitation needs.

THIS WEEK

Thursday, 7:00 pm: Worship Service at Salem Mennonite Home

CALDENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, Oct. 19, 8:00 pm: Church Board Mtg.

Sunday, Nov. 12, 2:30 pm: Congregational Ministries Meeting

A special welcome to Freeman Academy students/staff and LeRoy & Janette Epp who will be participating in our worship service. This morning's monologue from the perspective of Simon Peter was written by the late Rev. Ellis Graber. Ellis was the uncle of Janette Epp.

Freeman Academy's annual fall church drive begins today when students share music during the worship service. During this traditional harvest season, we invite alumni and friends of Freeman Academy toconsider a gift for the school's general fund. Help us surpass this year's goal of

\$50,000! Committee members, Bruce Hofer and Lyndon Hofer will be available in the library today and Oct. 15 to receive your donations. If you are not in church those Sundays and would like to participate, self-addressed envelopes are available on the foyer table for your convenience.

There will be a **benevolent fund offering on October 15th**. The benevolent fund is used to help those in need and is an important ministry here at Hutterthal. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving to this ministry.

Ardella Gross will retire from the Hutterthal Church Ministries Treasurer position on October 31. Please prayerfully consider filling that role. ~ Boni

On the bulletin board find the latest letter from our CPMC/MMN missionaries in Ecuador.

CONNECTING TO THE COMMUNITY

This evening, October 8, at 7:00 p.m., Adam and Karen Graber Roth will be speaking at **Salem-Zion Mennonite Church**. They will be sharing stories and pictures of their service in South Africa with Mennonite Central Committee. An offering will be taken in support of MCC. All are warmly invited to attend.

Rural Revival will hold its monthly meeting at 8 pm at the Freeman Public Library on **Monday, October 9**. Come see what we're all about!

Come and listen to the experience of Dr. Shakil Hafiz and Sadaf Cassim as they share the story of their pilgrimage to Mecca. This event will be at the Prairie Arboretum Interpretive Center this **Saturday, October 14th at 2:00 p.m.** Refreshments will be served.

Heritage Hall Museum & Archives is celebrating American Archives Month by hosting a **Heritage Society program** in the **Archives at 7 p.m.** on **Monday, October 16th**. Please join us for "Saving Our Stories: A visit with John Thiesen of the Mennonite Library & Archives at Bethel College (KS)." Thiesen will talk about the importance of local archives such as ours and he will share about the history of MLA and some of the more interesting items in their collection... especially those that may be of interest to people in the Freeman area! The program will cost \$5/each for non-Society members.

Swiss Choral Society - rehearsals for this season will begin on **Sunday October 22nd, at 7:00 pm** in the sanctuary of the Salem Mennonite "South" Church. This year's program will be an exciting one as the Chorale will be performing Handel's Messiah with guest choirs from both Freeman Academy and Freeman Public. Anyone who is interested in singing is encouraged to join!

Make plans to attend **Piano Night** at the Lake, **November 4 at 6:00 pm.** This is a fundraising event with funds raised going towards completion of the Still Waters Retreat Center. There is no cost to

attend, but an offering will be taken and reservations are required. A five course meal will be served and local musicians will play throughout the evening. Call 605-326-5690 or email campoffice@myslcc.com to make your reservations.

Fall is rapidly approaching and plans are well under way for this year's **MDS Region 3 Annual Meeting**. The Nebraska Unit and Beemer Mennonite Church will host this year's meeting on Friday, Nov 10 and Saturday, Nov 11, 2017. See complete details, including registration and deadlines, in the *Connection!*

MCC is responding to disasters taking place around the world. Even before the most recent natural disasters from hurricanes, earthquakes and floods, MCC was **running extremely low on comforters and relief kits**. **Our goal is to ship 83,000 relief kits by March 2018** and we **need 7,000 comforters by November**. Visit www.mcc.org/mrc/kits for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Just bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117. It's not too early to start thinking about holiday giving projects like a relief kit collection drive! Call MCC with questions at 316-283-2720.

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