



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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Prelude

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Welcome

Passing the Peace

Call to Worship:

L: O Lord, let my soul rise up to meet You

ALL: as the day rises to meet the sun.

SILENCE

L: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

P: slow to anger and of great kindness.

L: We are held in His hand, tenderly enfolded:

P: called to rest in the fullness of His Son.

L: Many members, He enfolds us that we might be one body:

P: a glorious expression of His manifold grace.

SILENCE

L: O Lord, we as one rise up to meet You
ALL: as the day rises to meet the sun.

Prayer

Gathering Songs: HWB no. 6,
HWB no. 140,

*Here in This Place
Open, Lord, My Inward Ear*

Scripture Reading:
Silent Meditation

Genesis 2: 15-17 & 3: 1-13 (Pew Bible p. 1)

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

Children's Time:

How to Heal a Broken Wing

Worship Music:

Time of Offering
Offertory Invitation
Sharing Our Gifts
Offertory Prayer

Moment-in-Mission:

Shalom Readers

Scripture Reading:
Silent Meditation

James 3: 13—4: 10 (Pew Bible p. 637)

Hymn: STJ no. 52,

Jesus, Help Us to Live in Peace

Message:

At the Root

Hymn: HWB no. 310,

How Good a Thing It Is

Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude

Worship Participants: Paige Zachariasen (accompanist), Jessica Hofer (worship music arranged by Aprille Hofer), Monica Clem and Becky McCune (Moment -n-Mission) and Todd Jones (children's time and message)

PRAYER CONCERNS

- ***Gordon Hofer***
- ***Pastor Max Villatoro & Family***
- ***Central Plains Mennonite Conference (CPMC)*** Today marks exactly six months since Pastor Max Villatoro was deported to Honduras. Pray this week for God to make a way for Max to return to his family. "For nothing will be impossible with God." (Luke 1:37)
- ***Mennonite Mission Network (MMN)***: MMN's partners Annette and Paco Castillo are commissioned by the Mennonite Church in Burgos, Spain, to begin a children's ministry in Ivory Coast. The Castillos, who began the La Casa Grande ministry in Benin, request prayer for the children's health and for electricians and plumbers to mentor apprentices.
- ***Additional Prayers:***

TODAY

Greeters: Delmer & Shirley Hofer

9:45am: Worship Service

Coffee Time: Gordon & Sharon Waltner

11:05am: Sunday School for all ages

MW Sept. Project: Cash - Mennonite Women USA

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters: Vernon & Twyla Hofer

Accompanist: Norma Hofer

Worship Music: Bruce & Monica Hofer

Coffee Time: Dennis & Marcia Schrock

THIS WEEK

Wed.: *Connection! Deadline*

2:00pm, Deacons Meeting (Kairos)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 4: World Communion Sunday

Oct. 6: 7:30pm, Deacons Meeting (M. Hofer Residence)

Oct. 7: 11:30am, Freeman Network for Justice & Peace (Library)

Oct. 8: 10am, Freeman Ministerial (North Church)

Oct. 18: Freeman Academy @ HMC

Nov. 1: Harvest Mission Fest

Connection! Deadline: Wed., noon, Sept. 23. Give all info to Edie and church news to Twyla.

Today, to mark the six months since Pastor **Max Villatoro's deportation**, the Freeman Network for Justice and Peace is gathering for a prayer vigil for Max and his family, to spend time in prayer and hear updates on Max's situation. We hope to hear from Pastor Tim Detweiler who traveled to Honduras with the Villatoro children to visit their father. Please join us at **4:00 p.m.** outside Freeman City Offices **this afternoon**. You may bring a chair if you like. All are welcome. "Friends of Pastor Max" is also suggesting calls to the Department of Homeland Security Secretary's Jeh Johnson letting him know we are praying for Max's return. Information can be found on the website www.friendsofpastormax.org It is important that we let Secretary Johnson know we have not forgotten Max. They also are calling our churches to prayer from September 20-27.

On October 4, 2015, along with churches around the world, we will celebrate **World Communion Sunday**. Please note that we celebrate an "open table" and *all* who know Christ as Lord and Savior and are seeking to live by faith are welcome to participate in the sharing of the bread and the cup. As part of our celebration that morning, you are also asked to consider contributing to the **Benevolent Fund**, which is overseen by the Deacons and is used to assist persons who are suffering acute financial need. (If you or someone you know are in financial distress, please contact one of our Deacons who can assist you confidentially).

As we prepare for **Harvest Mission Fest 2015**, the Deacons are seeking housing for our guest speaker, James Krabill of Mennonite Mission Network. James will fly into Sioux Falls on Saturday, October 31 and will fly out of Sioux Falls on Tuesday, November 3. The host family will *not* have to provide all of the meals during his stay as several meals have already been arranged. It should also be noted that James will be renting a car during his stay and will not have special travel needs. Those interested in hosting or knowing more are asked to contact Pastor Todd @ 925-7186 or via email at pastortodd@goldenwest.net. Thank you!

Freeman Academy Benefit Auction: Saturday, September 26 beginning at 3:30 p.m. with cart rides through the Prairie Arboretum and a barrel ride for young children along with a Coffee Shoppe in the Link of Sterling Hall. Doors will open for the pulled pork sandwich meal at 5:00 p.m. and folks will have opportunities to view the auction items. The live auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. Early events and the meal will be by free-will donations. Contact Vernetta Waltner at 925-4237, ext. 235 or vwaltner@freemanacademy.org for information.

Freeman Junior College and Freeman Academy Corporation annual meeting: Sat., September 26, in the Sterling Hall Band Room. The business meeting begins at **4:00 pm PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE AND TIME!** We invite everyone to stay for the Benefit Auction activities following the meeting.

The **Swiss Choral Society will begin rehearsals** for its annual concert on **Sunday, September 27, at 7pm**. Felix Mendelssohn's masterwork "Elijah" will be performed for this year's concert sea-son. Rehearsals will take place at Salem (South) Mennonite Church and continue on into the Fall. Singers will be asked to bring their own scores as limited scores are available for rental.

Hi, I am a MCC School Kit. I am currently in the Freeman MCC Office, waiting for a ride to N. Newton KS. I am waiting quietly with several of my friends, and some kind comforters, to finish our journey to help those who need us. Please contact Elizabeth Janssen at 925-4859 or by email at ElizabethJanssen@mcc.org if you are traveling to Kansas and have room. We promise not to need bathroom stops or to eat your snacks. Thank you.

In your mailbox you will find a **financial report** from the 2015 SD MCC Relief Sale and ways to become involved in 2016. With our second Sale we raised almost \$50,000 for

the work of MCC. To God be the Glory!

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