



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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Prelude

Gathering Hymns

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

God of Grace and God of Glory

HWB #5
HWB #366

Welcome/Call to Worship

Prayer

Children's Time

Worship Music

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading

Time of Offering

Offering Invitation

Offertory Music

Offertory Prayer

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

HWB #327

Message

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

HWB #582

Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude

PRAYER CONCERNS

- Hurricane Harvey victims and responders
- Rex Walker (Pastor's uncle; undergoing chemotherapy)
- Dwayne Jones (Pastor's brother; spinal surgery this Wednesday)
- Additional Prayers

TODAY - August 27, 2017

Greeters: Vernon & Norma Hofer

9:45am: Worship Service

Accompanist: Paige Zachariasen

Worship Music: Donovan & Sherryl Friesen

Message & Children's Message:

Coffee Time: Vernon & Norma Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School for all ages

NEXT SUNDAY - September 10, 2017

Greeters: Vernon & Twyla Hofer

9:45am: Worship Service

Accompanist: Shirley Hofer

Worship Music: Men's Quartet

Message & Children's Message:

Coffee Time: Colin & Michelle Hofer

11:10 am: Sunday School for all ages

SEPTEMBER PROJECTS

- Congregational Ministries: Mennonite Women/Men MCUSA
- Children's S.S. Department: Bethany Food Pantry

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 4: LABOR DAY

Sept. 7, 7:30pm: Church Board Meeting

Sept. 12, 7:30pm: Deacons Meeting

Sept. 21, 8:00pm: Church Board Meeting

Pray those who are affected by Hurricane Harvey and all those who are working to respond. Donate to or volunteer with reputable organizations offering aid to Hurricane Harvey victims: Mennonite Disaster Service. Here is the [MDS Facebook page](#), with updates and links to donate and the [MDS web site](#), with updates and opportunities to both donate and volunteer. American Red Cross is opening shelters, sending supplies and putting volunteers in place around Texas. You can [donate money online](#) or text "HARVEY" to 90999 to chip in \$10.

Gift Discernment Sheets have been placed in the mailboxes. Please take the time to complete one and place it in Brigitta's mailbox by September 17th. In an effort to save paper one sheet has been placed in each mailbox and family members are encouraged to utilize one sheet. If you prefer to have your own please check with Brigitta, or make an additional copy. Thank you.

Wellspring Wholistic Care Center, Freeman, SD is sponsoring a **Grief Seminar** on September 16, from 1-5 pm. Janell Christenson, Veterans Administration grief counselor is the featured speaker. Speakers from the surrounding area will share their grief challenges. The seminar's purpose is to assist persons grieving loss to process their journey of mourning. Grieving well is difficult work and may be aided in various ways including sharing stories, mutual encouragement, and receiving therapeutic counsel. For more information feel free to call 925-4542 or text 605-661-0601.

Local service opportunity! The Et Cetera Shoppe is seeking volunteers interested in serving on a new weekly pricing committee. Perhaps you and some friends would like to volunteer together! This is a great opportunity to be part of our mission helping people in need around the world, in the name of Christ, without ever leaving the community. We are also looking for new rug weavers! If you enjoy creating things, and can sew a simple straight line, this may be the perfect outlet for you. Please call the shop at 925-7098 or talk to Kris or Anita to express interest in joining our team.

Searching for an exciting way to serve? MCC is urgently searching for a Canner Operator, with CDL truck driving experience, to travel with the mobile cannery before the season begins in October. Canner Operators travel to 30 different locations in the United States and Canada, canning meat, which is then sent around the world to hungry people. Come serve in this exciting way! Meet new people, and take advantage of experiences you'll never forget. For more information please contact John Hillegass at johnhillegass@mcc.org or (717) 859-1151.

Registration is now open: Sat., Nov. 18, 4th biennial Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College, "Seasons of the Soul: Enacting the Mystery of Faith," with special guest presenter and resource person Ted Swartz. Symposium registration includes Swartz's performance of "Slightly Left of Normal," Fri., Nov. 17, in Krehbiel Auditorium (admission charge for non-symposium registrants). Registration discount for groups of 3 or more from a single congregation – for a complete schedule and online registration, see bethelks.edu/worshiparts

AMBS online short course: Understanding Anabaptist approaches to Scripture: Oct. 25 – Dec. 12, 2017. The early Anabaptists' approaches to Scripture were both similar to and

different from those of Catholics and other Protestants. **Loren Johns**, Ph.D., will lead this interactive online Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary short course on understanding these approaches in light of today. Cost: \$200 before Oct. 4; \$250 after. CEUs available. www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/anabaptist-short-courses

HELP DISPLACED PEOPLE IN DR CONGO: Armed conflict in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo has displaced 1.4 million people, including 8,000 Mennonites. A Congolese assessment team visited this summer and found a severe lack of food and increasing malnutrition. Families had to leave their fields and animals when they fled the violence, and food that is available for purchase is very expensive. An Anabaptist response is underway, shaped and implemented by Congolese Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren church-based relief committees, coordinated by Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and supported by global and Canada- and U.S.-based Anabaptist organizations. Your gift of money will help provide food, household items and shelter supplies. Make your donation online at mcc.org/congo-relief or by phone, 1-888-563-4676; mail checks to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501. Please keep those who have been forced from their homes, and those hosting them, in your prayers.

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