

Sunday, March 29, 2020

Hutterthal is suspending church services indefinitely.

"Remember, no storm lasts forever.

Hold on. Be brave. Have faith!

Every storm is temporary and
we will never face the storm alone.

God is with us. ALWAYS."

Prayer Requests:

- For HMC members who lonely and missing loved ones. Pray that our church members and community to stay healthy.
- Pray for our new Executive Conference Minister Nathan Luitjens. Nathan began his position .25 FTE in March and will be full time in September
- Father, we come before You to lay all our fears and anxieties at Your feet. Fill our hearts with peace.
- During the Lenten season give us a new and expanded vison for our life. Help us to live full of faith. Teach us to find hope in the face of adversity

Hutterthal Church offerings: As you know, church expenses continue to come in on schedule whether we meet or not. It would be much appreciated if you could send your regular offering checks to our church treasurer, John Clem, at his personal address: PO Box 493, Freeman, SD 57029. Thank you for carrying on the work of the church as we find new and different ways to stay connected. Edie Tschetter

Holy Week Services at Salem-Zion Mennonite cancelled for April 5-8: Because of our recent decision to use precaution in gathering for worship, we've had to cancel this year's Holy Week services with Rachel Miller Jacobs. The good news is that Rachel is willing to come next year as we will host Holy Week for our Mennonite churches in the Freeman community. from Salem –Zion Mennonite

Community news

Heritage Hall Museum & Archives IS open, but only by appointment. In this way, we can have just one group in the *Voices of Conscience* exhibit at a time and then we can disinfect everything in-between guests so that they can be assured of a safe visit. In this way, we can offer folks who are feeling "cooped up" a chance to get out and see something new & interesting without worry.

Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War is an exhibit organized into ten themes that encourage exploration and reflection. The theme modules surround a recreation of an Alcatraz Prison cell, the site where Hutterite conscientious objectors were punished for refusing military participation. Text and quotes provide interpretation and raise provocative questions for viewers while large-scale graphics and photomurals immerse visitors in the historical experience of witnessing for peace during "total war." The exhibit is open to the public at the historic Bethel Mennonite Church on the campus of Heritage Hall Museum & Archives in Freeman from March 20 through April 26. A museum admission fee of \$8.00 adults/\$4.00 students (gr. 1-12) permits entrance to the exhibit and all museum property.

Notes from Pastor Jack

The following is shared by permission, from
Pastor Kory Tedrick
Lake Sarah Baptist Church in Slaton Mn.
In which Pastor Jack and Cathy's son, Jacob and family attend.
and adapted to our congregation.

Please partner with me in prayer this way:

<u>Monday-</u> Pray for Teachers, administration and staff at our local schools. (if you know some of them pray by name. you can also send an encouraging note or email letting them know that you are praying for them that day)

<u>Tuesday-</u> Pray for our local health care workers- Doctors, nurses, CNAs, Techs, MA's, PA's and more, as well as the custodial staffs in our local medical complexes. That they would get the rest they need. Stay healthy, be encouraged. and more. Once again, if you know any by name, send them an encouraging note.

<u>Wednesday-</u> Pray for the Vulnerable and the sick. Pray for our senior citizens, for those who may have contracted the virus. Pray for their recovery if sick, protection if not. Pray that in this time of isolation, those who are in care facilities and unable to see their loved ones because of quarantines would be encouraged. Once again, send notes, cards, and pictures for encouragement. For addresses or contact info for look in our yearbook.

<u>Thursday-</u> Pray for our local and state government leaders. Pray for the mayors, county emergency management people, our police/sheriffs, our ambulance teams and firefighters, etc...

<u>Friday-</u> Pray for local businesses and business owners. If we are still able to get out make sure to shop, order food etc... to be an encouragement. Send them cards/notes let them know you care. (cont. on next page)

<u>Saturday-</u> Pray for our federal government leaders, our state senators and representatives, our federal senators and reps, our president, vice president, cabinet members, don't be afraid to send a note of encouragement there too. Most of what they receive is criticism, an affirming note could be a real encouragement as they are having to make tough decisions. Pray for peace across political isles.

<u>Sundays-</u> Pray for the Church, God's people around the world. Pray for our missionaries. Pray for congregations to be a light in the darkness, for them to bring glory to God. Pray for our area churches, Lake Sarah Baptist Church, Freeman area Churches and of course Hutterthal Mennonite Church, its people and its staff.

March Projects:

Congregational Ministries:

Soap & Hygiene kits (to be delivered to church at a later date) Children's Sunday School Department:

School kits

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