



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered- Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, April 18, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

Gathering Hymn

Christ has Arisen HWB #267

Sharing Time

Prayer

Children's Time

Special Music

Follow Me

Scripture

Like 24:36-49 Pew Bible p 559

Sermon

These Things

Responding Hymn

Lord Jesus, you shall be my Song

STJ #14

Offering Blessing

Sending Hymn

Blessed Assurance HWB #332

Benediction and Postlude

Today, we will take a moment to pray for blessing and protection over our upcoming crop season. The bags of seed on the stage are a symbol of this time of year and all that the crop season means to each of us. Seed is a symbol of potential for the future and results of hard work and God's Blessing. We think of all of the different facets of our present agricultural economy and all of the workers that keep it going, from farmers to equipment operators to shipping coordinators. After the service, we will have a formal time of prayer outside around the tractor that you noticed on your way in. We will pray for all of those in our congregation who play a part in our local agricultural economy.

TODAY April 18, 10:00 am Service

Accompanist: Paige Zachariassen

Worship Leader: Charlene Friesen

Gathering Hymn: by Concordia Publishing House

Special Music: Sung by Kate Friesen, written by John Clem
arranged by John and Monica Clem

Children's Time: Les Rensink

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

Responding Hymn: by Shenandoah Christian Music Camp

Sending Hymn: by First Plymouth Church

NEXT SUNDAY April 25, 10:00am

Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch

Worship Leader: Todd Korner

Children's Time: Charlene Friesen

Special Music: arranged by Jarrod and Bekka Kramer

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

CALENDAR

April Project: Cash - SD MCC Relief Sale Kitchen Time Savers auction item. (More details later.) Worknight date is pending

April 21: 7:30 pm; On-line Bible Study

May 11: 1:30 pm; Prayer Shawl group meeting at HMC.

HMC Zoom Bible Study - Our next virtual Bible study will be **April 21st at 7:30 pm.** A link will be sent via email prior to the meeting. The meeting will open at 7:00 with the Bible study starting at 7:30. After the Bible study ends, the meeting will stay open to allow more time for visiting if need be.

Rural Revival to meet April 26 Rural Revival will meet at 8:00 p.m. in the Upper Meeting Room of the Et Cetera Shoppe in Freeman. All are welcome to attend.

Holy Week Offerings: We praise God for the generous offerings that came from the four Mennonite Churches during Holy Week. \$1,816.86 was given and after expenses were taken out for our speaker, we were able to give \$558 to the Bienvenidos Ministry in Flandreau and \$558 to the Freeman Ministerium. Praise God for this outpouring of support!

Spring Events at Freeman Academy: [Find out more at FreemanAcademy.org](#)

April 23 – Open House 2-4pm. Families welcome to drop in or request a tour.

May 22 – Graduation

May 27 – Last day of School

Now Open – Faith and Leadership Scholarship applications. Encourage your youth leaders to apply for this special opportunity and the 40% tuition discount.

Youth Ministry Opportunity, Would you know someone in the Mennonite community here or beyond that might be a candidate for the Resident Director position at Freeman Academy? The RD supervises daily life for 10-12 dorm students including cooking the evening meal, coordinating student activities, and communicating with parents. Salary plus benefits: health insurance, retirement, room and board. We appreciate your candidate recommendations. Contact Nathan Epp, Head of School, nepp@freemanacademy.org or 605-925-4237.

MCC dignity kit informational webinar, April 20 at 7 p.m. Yes, MCC has a new kit that has been in development for years and now we're ready to teach you how to help us bring dignity to young women around the world! The dignity kit includes hygiene items and a reusable menstruation pad system. [Join Kate Mast for this webinar to learn about the kit and how to sew the base units for the reusable system.](#) Email katemast@mcc.org for the Zoom link.

Responding to disaster: MCC's response to hurricanes Eta & Iota webinar April 21 & 22 at 7pm

MCC is pleased to bring you, via Zoom, the people and stories directly impacted by this disaster response that you generously supported. [Register here](#) for this two night webinar to hear directly from MCC partner organizations and church partners in Honduras and Nicaragua. They will share about MCC's disaster response as well as how climate change impacts migration and poverty in Central America.

MCC is hiring a multimedia producer! Check out the [job description and apply today!](#)

From the MCC U.S. Washington Office, an invitation to take action: Prevent future war—repeal the Iraq AUMF (Authorization for Use of Military Force) The 2002 Iraq AUMF authorized war against the Saddam Hussein regime and has been used to justify military action for 19 years without additional congressional approval. Two bills repealing the AUMF in the House of Representative and the Senate have growing bipartisan support. Repealing past AUMFs will return authority to engage in militarized force to Congress, creating greater accountability for military actions. [Send a message to your members of Congress calling on them to support the repeal of the 1991 and 2002 Iraq AUMFs.](#)

Prayer Requests and Praise:

- Please pray for Gordon and Sharon Waltner and family as Gordon recovers in the hospital in Sioux Falls from COVID and heart surgery.
- Lord, We ask you to bless the animals of the earth, the lush gardens of our farmers, and the fields full of crops. Bless this planting season so that every seed and sapling is coated in Your touch. Allow there to be enough growth for all people to eat and enjoy Your goodness. Help us to appreciate what You provide for us and encourage us to be generous with our supply. We thank You for the loveliness that springtime brings and ask that You take us forward in this season and lead us Your mighty hands.

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