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Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered Living, Relating, Serving Sunday, September 19, 2021 9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Give Me Jesus, a Traditional Spiritual, arr Mark Hayes Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart, by Frederick C. Atkinson, arr. Mark Hayes

Call to Worship and Prayer

*Gathering and Praising God is Here Among Us VT#62
Anointing Fall on Me (2X) VT #645

Sharing Time and Prayer Sunday School Dedication

Moment in Mission

Scripture Reading James 5:1-20, Pew Bible p. 638

Message "Community"

Offering Prayer

Responding and Sending God Be With Us VT #613

All Praise to Thee, My God VT #505

*Benediction HWB # 774

Postlude I Want Jesus to Walk with Me,

Traditional spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY Sept. 19, 9:45 am Peace Sunday

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Worship Leader: Joline Thomas and Jaden Thomas

Precentor: Pastor Randall

Sunday School Kick-off: Barbie Hofer and Rebecca Hofer

Moment in Mission: Lynelle Allison

Message: Pastor Randall

Coffee Time: Gordon and Sharon Waltner

Scholarship Committee offering plate in the foyer

10:45: Sunday School for all ages

NEXT SUNDAY September 26, 9:45 am

Accompanist: Norma Hofer Worship Leader: Les Rensink

Precentor: Marj Hofer

Special Music: arranged by Cole Hofer **Children's Time:** Shalom Awards

Rebecca Hofer and Charlene Friesen

Message: David Erdman Coffee Time: Marcia Schrock 10:45: Sunday School for all ages

CALENDER:

TODAY: Sunday School Kick-off

NEXT SUNDAY Sept. 26: Shalom Awards

September 27: Deadline for ordering new hymnal

October 3: World Wide Communion Sunday October 17: HMC picnic after Sunday School

October 31: Harvest Mission Festival

HMC September Project: Mennonite Women/Men MCUSA Cash project.

Interested in owning a new Hymnal? If you are interested in having your own copy of the new hymnal that we are using on Sunday mornings, please let Kathy know by September 27. Depending on the number of copies ordered, the cost will be no more than \$35 per copy.

Barbie: God, you sent Jesus into the world to show us how to live as God's people.

All: Who will tell the children about Jesus?

Teachers: We will tell you about Jesus! We want to share the story of Jesus so that you may choose to love him and follow in his way. As we worship, pray, and share the Bible story, may you be inspired to love Jesus and live like him every day.

All: As we hear and share God's story together, may our hearts be opened to love Jesus.

Barbie: We are all created, known, and loved by God, and each person's faith journey is unique. The Bible offers guidance for this journey, revealing God's work in the world and how to be a part of the ongoing story of the people of God.

All: Who will guide us on this journey of faith?

Teachers: Along with your family and this congregation, we will guide you! We will lead you in practices of prayer and worship that will help you develop a relationship with God that will sustain and encourage you through out your life. Faith is not only a personal connection to God; it grows within community. We will learn from each other and discern together how to faithfully follow God.

All: As we discern God's will together, may we grow in faith.

Barbie: Beyond these walls lies a hurting world. God, your love transforms us so that we can participate in the healing of that world.

All: There are so many problems. Where do we start?

Teachers: As we seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God, together we make God's kingdom a reality here and now. We will study God's Word together and talk about how it connects to our lives. We will challenge you to share God's love and peace with every one you meet.

All: Seeking God's kingdom together, we can change the world.

The Scholarship Meal, scheduled for today, has been cancelled. Instead, an offering plate is located on the table just outside the sanctuary doors, and will be there today and next Sunday, September 26th. The committee invites you to prayerfully consider donating to the fund. Funds are distributed to members or immediate family members of Hutterthal who attend any Mennonite educational institution from kindergarten to post-collegiate.

Pastor Randall, Morgan, and Vivienne will be travelling back to Illinois from Sep. 20-30. While he is gone, please contact the deacons (Les, Charlene, or Brandon) with any needs or concerns. Les has offered to be available day or night for contact.

World Communion Sunday: We will be gathering together at the Lord's table on October 3 here at Hutterthal. Please join us as we remember Jesus's broken body and shed blood during the worship service. A benevolent fund offering will be collected. Please contact the deacons with any financial needs within our church family. This fund is privately administered by the HMC deacons.

Wellspring Wholistic Care Center will be hosting their annual business meeting on <u>September 21st</u>, at 7:00 pm at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Freeman. All are invited and welcome to attend.

Bienvenidos a Brookings appreciation night as been canceled for this evening.

Rural Revival to meet September 27: The Rural Revival monthly meeting will be at 8 pm in the Freeman Public Library, downtown Freeman.

Heritage Hall Museum & Archives is sponsoring a Sunday evening program, Sept. 19 about the historic Jan. 12, 1888 blizzard. We'll be visiting with Lois Thieszen Preheim, who recently published a 128 -page book titled "Trailing the Schoolchildren's Blizzard." A retired educator who grew up in Henderson, Neb., Preheim now lives in Newton, Kan., with her husband, Freeman native Ron. Her book, described as historical fiction, shares captivating stories of families living in ten locations along the trail of the 1888 storm stretching from Canada to Texas. That includes the story of five boys from three families who died while seeking refuge from the storm in Turner County. The Sunday evening program will start at 7 p.m. at the historic Bethel Church on the museum complex. In order to assume people are comfortable in this indoor gathering, social distanced seating is planned and CDC protocols will be followed; unvaccinated people are asked to wear masks and the museum encourages everyone else to do so. Admission will be charged; \$7 (\$5 HHM&A members). Copies of "Trailing the Schoolchildren's Blizzard," available for sale at the museum mercantile, will also be available at the Bethel Church Sunday night. The museum will be open from 1 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Sunday.

The September edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: A Virginia family now has a way home, thanks to MDS Volunteers, Canada farmers work together to battle drought conditions; and clean up continues in the wake of Hurricane Ida.

Read more at: https://conta.cc/3EjIO0M

Prayer Requests and Praise:

- May Pastor Randall, Morgan, and Vivienne have safe travels to Illinois. May they come back rested and refreshed.
- Father, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. As we welcome the autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. May the brilliant colors of the leaves remind us of the wonder of your creation. May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance that we have been given and the bounty that we are to share with others.
- Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig, and their three children, are in language study in Paris, preparing for a ministry, in which they are building Muslim-Christian relationships in West Africa. Pray for their children in French public schools and for Christy and Peter in language school. They are jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network.

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