



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered- Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, October 24, 2021

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

*Gathering and Praising

A Wonderful Savior is Jesus VT #626

Fill Me Anew VT #739

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Special Music

For the Beauty of the Earth
Stand up, Stand up for Jesus

Scripture Reading

Ruth 3, Pew Bible p. 146

Message

"Loyalty"

Offering Prayer

Responding and Sending

Take, O Take Me as I am (2X) VT #748

Go Now in Peace, Worship Continues VT #829

*Benediction

VT #1066

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY Oct. 24, 9:45 am

Accompanist: Norma Hofer

Worship Leader: Waltner Family

Precentor: Marj Hofer

Children's Time: Charlene Friesen

Special Music: pianist Alyssa Hofer
arranged by Marj Hofer

Message: Pastor Randall

Coffee Time: Donovan and Sherryl Friesen

10:45: Sunday School for all ages

NEXT SUNDAY October 31, 9:45 am Harvest Mission Festival

Accompanist: Paige Zachariasen

Worship Leader: Pastor Randall

Precentor: Aprille Birkey

Special Music: Men's Quartet

Children's Time: Pastor Randall

Message: Brian and Maria Paff

NO Coffee Time:

Gathering after short break, Adults in the sanctuary and Children gathering all together in the Educational wing.

CALENDAR:

October 31: Harvest Mission Festival

Brian & Maria Paff will be speaking; With a meal to follow.

Nov. 10, 7 pm: Church Board Meeting

Dec. 8, 7 pm: Annual Congregation Business Meeting

Dec. 19: Christmas program

HMC October Project: MCC Relief kits

A reminder to parents and children. The children are not to go to coffee time-and bring beverages upstairs. This has always been the policy for adults and children. We want to avoid spills.

Harvest Mission Festival Information

Harvest Mission Festival (HMF) is next Sunday, October 31. HMF is our annual celebration of Mennonite service organizations, including Mennonite Mission Network, Mennonite Central Committee, and Mennonite Disaster Service. It has been a part of Hutterthal church life since 1954, which makes this year our 68th annual festival.

The Harvest Mission Fest offering on October 31 will be divided between Mennonite Mission Network (70%) and Central Plains Mennonite Conference (30%).

Through Mennonite Mission Network, Brian and Maria Paff participated in the Mennonite Voluntary Service program in Chicago from 2004-06 and later served as program coordinators for MVS from 2014-16. They will share about their experiences, some of the challenges they observed, and ways God is at work in the city of Chicago during our worship service. During the Sunday School hour, you can return to the sanctuary to hear more stories from Maria and Brian's MVS service term that will delight, challenge, and inspire. For the children's Sunday School hour, Laura Ilunga, one of the international students at Freeman Academy who has shared previously at HMC, will share about life in her home country, the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Suzanne Koerner and the deacons invite you to help with our Harvest Mission meal on October 31. Suzanne will need help cutting up pies, setting up the serving line, and table settings. We may be able to do some of this before church or during the break immediately after church. It would be good if many could help so that many could return to the sanctuary for Brian and Maria's presentation. We could also finish setting up after the presentation.

We will have a signup list in the foyer this Sunday for pies or other fruit desserts. If you are not bringing a dessert, we ask that you bring a salad.

We will also need help after the meal doing dishes and picking up tables. Lets do all we can to wholeheartedly support this fine Hutterthal tradition.

FREEMAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY FUND DRIVE It is a privilege to have the Freeman Regional Health Services in our community. We are having a fund drive in October this year asking for cash donations instead of asking for food, working at soup day, or food for the bake sale. There will be boxes at the banks and the grocery stores in Freeman where you may drop your donations, or give them to Barbie Hofer by October 31, 2021. THANK YOU!

Rural Revival to meet October 25: The Rural Revival monthly meeting will be at 8 pm in the Freeman Public Library, downtown Freeman.

On Oct. 26, Nov. 6, and Nov. 16, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Mennonite Men are co-sponsoring *Knowing Your Narrative: Unpacking Our Stories of Masculinity and Equity*. This three-part series of events, facilitated by Ben Tapper with the Kindred Collective, seeks to unpack narratives around masculinity, faith, and equity. For more info and to register visit ambs.edu/narrative. Early registration ends October 19.

The October edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: MDS continues it's response to Hurricane Ida, volunteers head into the city to help rebuild after a fire and one of the oldest MDS units celebrates 65 years of service. Go to this for more information:

<https://conta.cc/30AMiMY>

Region 3 MDS Annual Meeting: The SDMDS van will be going to the Regional 3 annual meeting in Hesston, KS on Friday, November 12. We will also be attending the Bel Canto Singers concert Saturday evening, returning to SD Sunday afternoon. There is room in the van for more MDS supporters to enjoy this interesting weekend. The camaraderie on the trip to & from Hesston is an extra bonus. Contact Duane Tieszen or Dennis Ries for more information. See "current news" and "events" on the mds.mennonite.net website for the meeting information and registration

Prayer Requests and Praise:

- As Pastor Appreciation month draws to a close, we give thanks for all the faithful shepherds in Central Plains Mennonite Conference! Our conference is blessed with the leadership of so many good pastors
- Please pray for the missionaries who were kidnapped in Haiti. They were from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Oregon, Michigan, Tennessee, and Ontario. The families belong to Amish, Mennonite, and other conservative Anabaptist communities. The victims, who were on a mission trip sponsored by a nonprofit ministry, were taken Saturday while on their way to the airport after working at an orphanage.
- Pray for war-torn or war-weary parts of our world where violence and bloodshed are intergenerational – places like Colombia, Sudan, Afghanistan, Iraq, Israel-Palestine, Democratic Republic of Congo, Mexico, and Somalia.
- Pray for peace-making groups and organizations around the world who are working hard to alleviate poverty, stand for human rights, and act for peace, including Mennonite Central Committee, Mennonite Mission Network, Mennonite Disaster Service, and Christian Peacemaker Teams. Pray for creativity and energy for the difficult work of transforming conflict and defusing high-tension situations.

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