



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered- Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, November 28, 2021

9:45 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent

A 3D white cross is positioned in the lower-left quadrant of the image. The background is a vibrant purple sky filled with soft, white, ethereal clouds. The text "Dare to Imagine" is centered in the upper half of the image, and "Possibility" is centered in the lower half, to the right of the cross.

Dare to Imagine

Possibility

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Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

***Gathering and Praising**

Comfort, Comfort, O My People VT #212

Bless'd be the God of Israel VT #223

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 33:10-16 Pew Bible p. 417

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time with Advent Candle Lighting

Special Music

Amazing Grace

Scripture Reading Luke 1:26-38 Pew Bible p. 540

Message "Dare to Imagine: Possibilities"

Offering Prayer

Responding and Sending

The Angel Gabriel Called Mary Blessed VT #221

My Soul Proclaims with Wonder VT #222

Benediction

Postlude

***please stand if you are able**

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY November 28 9:45 am First Sunday of Advent

Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch

Worship Leader:

Precentor: Morgan Koehler

Children's Time & Advent Candle Lighting:
Rodney & Amanda Mettler

Special Music: Performed by Jessica Hofer
arranged by Sylvia Hofer

Message: Pastor Randall

Coffee Time: Brandon and Kylea Waltner

10:45: Sunday School for all ages

NEXT SUNDAY December 5 9:45 am Second Sunday of Advent

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Worship Leader:

Precentor: Pastor Randall

Children's Time & Advent Candle Lighting:

Message: Pastor Randall

Coffee Time: Joyce Hofer

10:45: Sunday School for all ages

CALENDAR:

Dec. 8, 7 pm: Annual Congregation Business Meeting

Dec. 19: HMC Children's Christmas program

HMC November Project: Mennonite Disaster Service- Cash Project

The **HMC Constitution & Bylaws** have been updated and will be presented at the annual meeting for your approval. You will receive your copy by email and, if you wish to have a printed copy, you will need to request one from the church office.

Et Cetera Shoppe: As the holidays approach, the Et Cetera Shoppe once again would welcome your donations of traditional *pefferfennusse* (peppernut) cookies made from the recipe of your choice. Every year, the sale of peppernuts at the shop greatly boosts our end-of-year giving to the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Please consider making a batch and bringing them to the shop any time before Thanksgiving!

Rural Revival monthly meeting will be November 22nd at 8 pm in the Freeman Public Library, downtown Freeman.

The Church Board is bringing the following two Recommendations to the annual meeting on December 8 for your approval.

1. The Church Board Recommends that the amended Constitution/ Bylaws be approved.
2. The Church Board Recommends the approval of the proposed 2022 Designated Offering Schedule:
70% Central Plains Mennonite Conference
30% Mennonite Church USA

HMC Annual Meeting Ballot

Chairman: Todd Koerner (3 year term)

Deacon: _____ (3 year term)

Trustee: Chad Hofer (3 year term)

Leadership Committee: Rina Hofer (2 year term)
Brandon Waltner (3 year term)

Connection Committee: _____ (3 year term)

Music Committee: Aprille Birkey (2 year term)

Assistant Head Usher: Eric Neuharth
(will become Head Usher next year)

Ushers: (1 year term)

Aprille Birkey Jarrod Kramer

Cole Hofer Jaden Thomas

Cameron Hofer LeRoy Pullman

Assistant Adult Superintendent: Larry Tschetter
(will become Head Adult Supt. 2022)

Assistant Children Superintendent: Rebecca Hofer

Educational Board Sec./Treas.: Mary Rensink

Elected Educational Board Comm.: Todd Koerner

*** The Congregational Ministries meeting will following the annual meeting.**

FA Yuletide: Freeman Academy's Music Departments will present their Yuletide Dinners December 9 & 10 at 6:30 pm. Reservations are required for the event and are due Dec 1, 2021.

Please call the Freeman Academy office to inquire about reservations at 605-925-4237.

Little Blessings Daycare at Freeman Academy is looking for a patient, loving person to help care for some energetic, fun-loving children. Caring for God's most precious gift is one way to show your servant heart while filling the great need for childcare in our community. We are seeking full or part-time help. Please contact Director Wendy Claussen at [\(605\)310-2828](tel:6053102828).

The Freeman Network for Justice and Peace will be meeting in the Freeman Library on Wed. December 8, 2021 at 11:30 A.M. All are welcome to attend.

Swan Lake Christian camp 2021 Winter Retreats are just around the corner. Make plans now to attend. Dates are as follows: 5th and 6th Grade Retreat January 14-16, Junior High Retreat January 21-23, and Senior High Retreat January 28-30.

***Anabaptist World* (formerly *The Mennonite*):** If you would like a subscription to *Anabaptist World* (formerly *The Mennonite*) included in our group rate (\$39) please contact Charlene Friesen. Checks may be made out to 'Anabaptist World'. We have the current issue in our Hutterthal library if you would like to see just what this colorful, glossy and vibrant magazine has for you.

Prayer Requests and Praise:

- Pray for healing for Mildred Hofer who experienced a stroke recently. She request no visitors at this time but does request your prayers.
- After a tumultuous year, there is comfort to be found when we pause to read, pray, and reflect over the course of the Advent season in which we eagerly anticipate the celebration of Christ's birth. The first Sunday of Advent gives us the opportunity to center our thoughts on hope. It's a beautiful chance to remember the hope God offers to our lost and dying world, and that He's given us through Jesus
- We give thanks for all the relationships in our congregations and in our conference that sustain us, guide us, and help us to see the Kingdom of God!
- 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, such as 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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