



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered – Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, May 15, 2022

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

*Gathering and Praising

Summoned by the God Who Made Us - VT #1

One Is the Body - VT #386

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Scripture Reading

Exodus 6: 1-7 Pew Bible p. 32

Message

"Passover People"

Offering Prayer

Responding and Sending

When We Walk With the Lord - VT #570

**We Sing to You, O God - STJ #1*

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY May 15, 9:45 am

Accompanist: Norma Hofer

Worship Leader: Lyndon & Barbie Hofer

Song Leader: Amanda Mettler

Children's Time: Rebecca Hofer

Message: Les Rensink

Coffee Time: Chad & Rebecca Hofer

Children's Sunday School following the service

Adult Sunday School following the service

NEXT SUNDAY May 22, 9:45 am

Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch

Worship Leader: Joline Thomas

Song Leader: Aprille Birkey

Children's Time: Amanda Mettler

Special Music: Joann Stahl

Message: Pastor Randall

Coffee Time: Joann Stahl

Children's Sunday School following the service

Adult Sunday School following coffee time

Congregational Ministries Project for May: Cash for Swan Lake Christian Camp.

Calendar

May 22: Congregational Meeting (following service)

May 27 - 30: MC USA Delegate Assembly in Kansas City

May 30 - June 3rd: 9:00 - 12:00 pm - VBS at Hutterthal

June 16-19: CPMC Annual Meeting here in Freeman

June 26: Communion at HMC

HMC Congregational Meeting Next Sunday - May 22

Please note a short congregational meeting will follow the worship service on Sunday, May 22. The purpose of our gathering will be to vote on the Leadership Selection Committee's candidates for the Pastor-Congregation Relations Committee: Amanda Mettler, Brigitta Hofer, and Brandon Waltner.

Background on this new committee at HMC: many Mennonite congregations have found it helpful to form a Pastor Congregation Relations Committee to handle situations that arise between the pastor and congregants. The purpose of this proposed policy and guidelines is to insure that Hutterthal Mennonite Church will be a safe and peaceable community in which to work and worship. It enables either a congregant or the pastor to address problems and hurts early before they grow into major divisions. It also gives a blueprint in handling more serious cases of alleged misconduct. This policy addresses only situations involving the pastor. This is due to the special position a pastor holds in the church. Conflicts involving the pastor are likely to result in serious spiritual trauma and/or division in the church. Conflicts between members of the congregation should follow the guidelines set forth in the Agreeing and Disagreeing in Love policy (adopted in 2016) as well as in the Deacon Conflict Resolution Policy (adopted in 2022) as needed.

Central Plains Mennonite Conference's Annual Meeting will take place at Pioneer Hall on the Freeman Academy campus on June 16-19. Hutterthal still has the opportunity to have 3 more delegates represent our congregation at the meeting. If you are interested in being a delegate during that weekend, please contact Todd Koerner or Pastor Randall to talk more about it.

If you are able to provide in-home lodging for CPMC Annual Meeting participants, please contact Brent Brockmueller at brentbrockmueller@gmail.com. Annual Meeting isn't just for delegates and pastors either - All are invited to worship, learn, fellowship, and discern together!

Freeman Academy Updates:

Scholarship Opportunity: Freeman Academy is accepting applications for the Faith and Leadership Scholarship for new students in grades 9-12. Recipients receive 40% off tuition, attend summer leadership camp, and follow a yearly leadership program. Summer camp options include MCUSA conferences or an approved regional or national program. Applicants must be new students with a minimum 3.5 GPA who wish to develop their leadership skills through contributions to the school. An interview and short essay are required. The scholarship renews each year as recipients complete the academic and leadership requirements. Deadline July 15. Details at FreemanAcademy.org/scholarships/. Contact Lynnelle Allison, Enrollment Director, for more information.

Freeman Academy invites you to a **town hall meeting on Tuesday, May 17** in the Dining Hall immediately following the Pep Band Concert/Academic Awards program. This will be a follow-up to our previous Schmeckfest Task Force town hall that explored Schmeckfest possibilities for the post-Covid era. Task Force members, board, and FA staff will be present.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- HMC Birthday this week: Larry Tschetter on May 20
- Pray for our local graduates of Freeman Public and Freeman Academy as well as all of the graduates across the nation that God would give them wisdom and direction in making weighty decisions. Pray that God would open doors that need to be opened and close those that need to be closed. Pray that every gift and treasure placed inside them would grow, develop, and flourish.
- Pray for the CPMC Board for wisdom and courage as they discern the best ways for Conference to continue supporting, encouraging, and resourcing each local congregation. Pray also for our conference ministers and Hispanic ministries coordinator: Nathan, Susan, Amanda, and Ramiro.
- Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure participants are in their final months of living in their unit houses and working in their volunteer placements. Pray for them as they bring closure to the relationships that they have built in their hosting community and find ways to implement what they have learned as they move into their future.

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