



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered – Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, May 8, 2022

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

Special Music

Say to the Lord, I Love You

*Gathering and Praising

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain - VT #348

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing - VT #359

Scripture Reading

Psalm 98 Pew Bible p. 318

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Special Music

The Tree Song

Scripture Reading

Luke 24: 1-35 Pew Bible p. 559

Message

"An Idle Tale"

Offering Prayer

Responding and Sending

Hymn of the Month - He Leadeth Me - HWB #599

** We are People on a Journey* - VT #464

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY May 8, 9:45 am

Accompanist: Paige Hofer

Worship Leader: Lyndon & Barbie Hofer

Song Leader: Suzanne Koerner

Children's Time: Les Rensink

Special Music: Sunday School Children

Arranged by Suzanne Koerner

Scripture Reader: Isaac Mettler

Hymn of the Month: Selected by Joann Stahl

Message: Pastor Randall

Coffee Time: Jarrod & Bekka Kramer

Children's Sunday School following the service

Adult Sunday School following the service

NEXT SUNDAY 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 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 - 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, 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, contact Brent Brockmueller at brent-brockmueller@gmail.com.

Freeman Academy Updates:

The Freeman Academy Music Department will present their **Spring Concert Tuesday, May 12**, at 7:30 p.m. in Pioneer Hall. A variety of music will be performed by the High School Choir, the Chamber Choir, and the Concert Band (grades 7-12). Choirs are under the direction of Amy Hofer Vetch and Concert Band is under the direction of Donna Ries. All are welcome to attend.

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

FA 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 programs. 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.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- Pray for those you know who have a birthday this week.
- Laura Schlabach, who has served with Mennonite Mission Network in Mongolia for three decades, requests prayer for Joint Christian Services (JCS) International's general assembly and board meetings this month. Pray for wisdom and unity of purpose for the members of this consortium of international Christian organizations as they make decisions and fellowship together.
- Pray for CPMC ministers and leaders as annual meeting will soon be in Freeman; pray for MCUSA leaders as the delegate assembly.
- A Mother's Day Prayer: Mothering God, we pray in gratitude for mothers, for all who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children can bring. We pray especially for mothers around our world who have been forced to leave their homes because of war, poverty, violence, or injustice.

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