



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered – Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, December 25, 2022

Christmas Day — 9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

Welcoming One Another

*Gathering and Praising

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing VT #247

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-14 Pew Bible p. 560

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Hymn Sing

The First Noel, the Angel Did Say VT #250

To Us A Child of Hope Is Born VT #259

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10 Pew Bible p. 387

Message

Sing

Offering Prayer

*Sending Hymn

Joy to the World VT #240

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY December 25th, 9:45am - Christmas Day

Worship Leader: Les Rensink

Accompanist: Paige Hofer

Song Leader: Amy Hofer Vetch

Children's Time: Kenny Birkey

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: Larry & Edie Tschetter

No Sunday School for adults or children following the service.

NEXT SUNDAY January 1, 2023 9:45 am

Worship Leader: Todd Koerner

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Song Leader: Morgan Koehler

Children's Time:

Special Music: Cole Hofer

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: Lyndon & Barbie Hofer

No Sunday School for adults or children following the service.

Calendar:

January 11: Winter Bible Study begins on Zoom—7 PM

January 29: Communion during the HMC worship service

February 5: Pastor Randall's Ordination Service

Congregational Ministries Project for December:

CASH for Freeman Food Pantry

Winter Bible Study begins on January 11 on Zoom at 7 PM and will be meeting weekly until March 8. "Making Home Again" is our theme for this year's study. We will be studying the entire book of Ezra over our time together along with discussion questions, brief background comments, and our normal time of sharing and prayer to begin each evening. Each session will be independent of the others, so you can join in on whichever evenings work best for you. The deacons and I look forward to seeing you on Zoom.

Call to Worship (from The Leader Advent Resources)

Leader: Sing and shout; how great is our God! The heavens
praise your name; the earth proclaims your glory!

**People: How beautiful are the feet on the mountain of those
who bring good news.**

Leader: Great is your peace, and great are your promises.

**People: Your good news brings comfort to my soul. In my heart
a new song cries out.**

Leader: Sing hallelujah!

All: Our God reigns!

Everyone enjoys **coffee time at HMC**. It's a great opportunity to meet visitors as well as keep connected with regulars. You have the opportunity during the month of December to contribute to the cost of coffee time by making a donation in the designated "Gift Box" located in the Fellowship Hall during coffee time. Thank you!

MCC is seeking a **Project Coordinator** responsible for mentoring and building capacity of local partners towards greater independence and sustainability and, alongside the MCC Burkina Faso Country Representatives, will assist in all planning, monitoring, and evaluating activities for various projects related to conservation agriculture, peace building, education, health, and emergency assistance. If you or someone you know might be interested, read more and apply by December 31, 2022 at mcc.org/burkina.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- Birthdays/Anniversaries: Sherryl Friesen on December 25 (today), Lyndon Hofer on December 28, and Steve and Charlene Friesen's anniversary on December 27.
- Pray for all of those in our community and beyond whose Christmas has been disrupted or foregone because of: loneliness, houselessness, violence, illness, accident, and more. We pray for all those who continue to long even in this Christmas day for the light of God's arrival.
- From CPMC: Together we give thanks for our brothers and sisters in Central Plains and for all the work of God that is being done through them in Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota, Montana, and Nebraska.
- Mennonite Mission Network offers a blessing for each member of your congregation on this Christmas Day. May we encourage one another to follow Jesus' example and become incarnations of God's love and peace in our communities, today and in the coming year.

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If you would like a subscription to **Anabaptist World** (formerly The Mennonite) included in our HMC 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 a copy of this colorful, glossy and vibrant magazine.

A basket has been placed in the foyer for those who would like to contribute to **Hutterthal's annual designated offering** distribution. The money will go to Central Plains Mennonite Conference (70%) and Mennonite Church USA (30%). Contact John Clem if you have any questions.

MCC is seeking a **Seed Coordinator** who will coordinate the second SEED Cohort for Guatemala and El Salvador. This position involves the planning, organization and implementation of a service, reflection and peacebuilding program with an intercultural team of young adults in the complex and enriching context of Guatemala and El Salvador. This position will be based in Guatemala and will be supervised by the MCC Representatives for Guatemala and El Salvador. If you or someone you know might be interested, read more and apply by December 31, 2022 at mcc.org/guatemala.

