

Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered – Living, Relating, Serving Sunday, January 29, 2023 9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

Welcoming One Another

*Gathering and Praising

I Come with Joy VT #478

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly VT #474

Scripture Reading Ezra 3:1-5 Pew Bible p. 253

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Scripture Reading Exodus 12:1-28 Pew Bible p. 35

Message Re-Ordering Life Through Worship

Communion

Offering Prayer

*Responding and Sending

Somos Pueblo que Camina (We Are People on a Journey) VT #464

Sent Forth by God's Blessing VT #812

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page: www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY January 29, 2023 9:45 am Communion Sunday

Worship Leader: Charlene Friesen Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch

Song Leader: Les Rensink

Children's Time: Amanda Mettler **Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: Eric & Michelle Neuharth

Children's Sunday School following the service

Adult Sunday School following coffee time in the South Room

and in the fellowship hall.

NEXT SUNDAY February 5, 2023 10:00 am

Pastor Randall's Ordination Service

Worship Leader: Todd Koerner Accompanist: Amy Hofer Vetch Song Leader: Amanda Mettler Children's Time: Les Rensink

Special Music: Lyndon & Barbie Hofer

Message: Roy Kaufman

Coffee Time: Eric & Michelle Neuharth

No Sunday School following the service. Please join us for a

meal after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

Calendar:

February 1: Winter Bible Study on Zoom at 7 PM

February 5: Pastor Randall's Ordination Service at 10 AM followed by a meal downstairs in the Fellowship Hall

February 26: Church season of Lent begins

March 5: Baby Dedication/Consecration for Matt and Violetta
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Congregational Ministries Project for January:

Blankets, sheets & towels (MCC)

Place your items in the receptacle in S.S. Room #1.

This Wednesday, February 1, at 7 PM is the fourth of our annual **Winter Bible Study** meetings on Zoom. "Making Home Again" is our theme, and we will be studying the entire book of Ezra over our time together, which will include 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 information for you to join via zoom is below:

Meeting ID: 846 3851 0761

Passcode: 868144

Phone call to join: 1-312-626-6799

MCC and MCUSA are partnering in a new **webinar series**, Beyond Incarceration: A hard look at dismantling the prison system and building healthy communities. Join us to learn about the ways the faith community is actively understanding and working against these complex systems of confinement. The webinars will take place on Feb. 7, Feb. 21, March 7, and March 21 at 6:30 p.m. CST/5:30 p.m. MST. They will be followed by learning tour opportunities in different parts of the U.S. There is a poster on the bulletin board in the upper foyer. Registration link: mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars

Hutterthal is hosting and participating in **Pastor Randall's ordination service** on February 5 led by CPMC Minister of Ministerial Leadership Susan Janzen. In celebration of this joyful event, we will be serving a prepared noon meal paid for by the church. Please join us as we honor God's call, Randall's response, and our congregation's special role in his journey.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- Birthdays/Anniversaries: Landon Neuharth's birthday on January 30.
- From CPMC: Pray for those who volunteer as leaders in our conference serving on various committees and boards such as the Conference Board, the Christian Formation Committee, Pastoral Leadership Committee, Outreach and Service Committee, Stewardship Task Force, Shalom Readers, Peace and Justice task group and all other conference volunteers. We give thanks for those who are willing to serve!
- Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Tucson, Arizona, Mennonite Voluntary Service unit, made up of Michaela Esau, Cade Fisher, Jessie Landis and Andrea Troyer. The MVSers help extend the ministries of their host congregation, Shalom Mennonite Fellowship, by working with the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition and adult literacy, immigration and refugee rights, and environmental protection programs.

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Church Office phone: 605.925.7186 Church Email: Hutterthal@goldenwest.net Church Website: www.hmcfreeman.org The January edition of **On the Level** is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: get more details on how to register for the MDS Annual Celebration in Pennsylvania next month; read the latest on the MDS response to flooding in Eastern Kentucky; and learn how MDS Canada volunteers are helping hurricane victims in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Here is the link to read more: https://conta.cc/3XjseqR

The Freeman Academy Auxiliary will be **making noodles** for the Schmeckfest Country Kitchen and meals on Saturday, February 11 in the Pioneer Hall dining room starting at 9 a.m. If a "snow date" is needed, we will make noodles on Monday, February 13. Cancellations will be announced on the Courier and Freeman Academy websites. Volunteers to help make noodles will be greatly appreciated. Bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship!.

Freeman Network for Justice and Peace will be meeting in the community room at the Freeman Public Library on February 8 at 11:30am. All are welcome.

As we prepare for Communion...

here are some things to reflect upon throughout our service and this week as we walk away from the communion table.

Before we take the body of the Lord together, Before we share his life in bread and wine...

We recognize the sorry things within.

The words of hope we often failed to give, the prayers of kindness buried in our pride, the signs of care we argue out of sight

The narrowness of our vision and of our minds, the need for other folks to serve our will, every word and silence meant to hurt

Of those around us in whom we meet our Lord, we ask their pardon and we grant them our pardon, that every contradiction to Christ's peace might be laid down at our communion table this morning...

As we share the bread and cup together