



# Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered –

Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday August 27, 2023

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

Scripture Reading

Joel 1 Pew Bible p. 480

Welcoming One Another

\*Gathering and Praising

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God* VT #182

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* VT #156

Scripture Reading

Joel 2 Pew Bible p. 480

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Worship Music

*Peace Like A River* arr. Joel Raney

Scripture Reading

Joel 3 Pew Bible p. 481

Message

Summer of Stories - Joel

Offering Prayer

\*Responding and Sending

*Quietly, Peacefully* VT #533

*The Love of God* VT #162

\*Benediction

Postlude

**\*please stand if you are able**

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

[www.HMCFreeman.org](http://www.HMCFreeman.org)

**TODAY August 27, 2023 9:45 a.m.**

**Worship Leader:** John Clem

**Accompanist:** Amy Hofer Vetch

**Song Leader:** Amanda Mettler

**Children's Time:** Amanda Mettler

**Worship Music:** Men's Quartet

**Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler

**Coffee Time:** Cole Hofer

**No Children's Sunday School until September. Adult Sunday School—11:15 AM: west end of Fellowship Hall. Dennis Lehmann and Dr. Shakil Hafiz and his family will be sharing about their trip to Bangladesh.**

**NEXT SUNDAY September 3, 2023 9:45 a.m.**

**Worship Leader:** Donovan Friesen

**Accompanist:** Charlene Friesen

**Song Leader:** Amy Hofer Vetch

**Children's Time:** Suzanne Koerner

**Worship Music:** Darnell & Lori Tschetter

**Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler

**Coffee Time:** Brandon & Kylea Waltner

**No Children's Sunday School until September. Adult Sunday School—11:15 AM: west end of Fellowship Hall.**

**Calendar:**

September 3: Summer of Stories Message Series - Malachi

September 10: Sunday School Kick-off

September 24: Peace Sunday - Shalom Readers Celebration

October 1: World Communion Sunday and sharing

Communion during HMC Worship Service

October 22: 70th Annual Harvest Mission Festival

**HMC Congregational Ministry Project for August:**

MCC School Kits - Please place completed school kits in container in room adjacent to play room. Pencil sharpeners can be found in Edie's mailbox - help yourself.

As summer days are shortening and school days near, so too Hutterthal will be wrapping up another **Shalom Readers Club** for the year. Please turn in your Reader's lists to the library or Librarian Charlene's mailbox so she can get the reward books ordered. Projects may be placed in the library anytime till September 24 when we will display them.

**SD MDS is looking for volunteers** to help with siding and window replacement for homes of Native Americans that were damaged in a hail and windstorm in Red Lake, MN. The project date is August 27-September 2. Transportation, meals, and lodging will be provided. Please contact LeRoy Pullman (605-660-1014) or Karl Ries (605-261-0703) if you are able to assist.

You are invited to attend the **South Dakota Mennonite Disaster Service annual meeting** on September 10, 2023 at 2:00 pm at the Salem (South) Mennonite Church in rural Freeman. Lana Tieszen, Region 3 MDS Assistant Director will share about Region 3.

The **August edition of On the Level** is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: We have the latest information from Maui on the devastating wildfires; learn about the power of family love; and learn about new ways to get involved with MDS by exploring Beyond the Project. The link to read it is <https://conta.cc/3E1RVV3>  
**Let Aprille know** if you would like this forwarded to your email.

Are you interested being a **Host Family for Freeman Academy Students** during the 2023-2024 school year? Contact Jason Mehlhaf or Troy True at [Enrollment@FreemanAcademy.org](mailto:Enrollment@FreemanAcademy.org) for more information or to sign up!

The **September 2023 Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Vine** is located on the table in the upper foyer. If you are interested in getting this every month, let Aprille know.

**Prayer Requests and Praises:**

- Birthdays: Ben Friesen on September 1.
- Pray for our sister churches in Eastern Iowa: First Mennonite of Iowa City, East Union, West Union and Wellman Mennonite Churches.
- Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Bekah York in her work with the Colombia Mennonite Church and Justapaz, the church's peacebuilding organization. May God grant Bekah wisdom, energy and contagious hope for her ministries.
- Pray for war-torn or war-weary parts of our world where violence is intergenerational and overwhelming. Pray for international cooperation and an increase of justice and peace around the world.
- Pray for the families and individuals of Hutterthal. Pray for listening ears, seeing eyes, and discerning hearts as we all follow together in the way of Jesus.

**Pastor Randall's contact information:**

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It is that time of year again when we have the opportunity to reach out to others by serving **at the Yankton Area Banquet** on Sept.21. We are asking that you prayerfully consider how you may be able to help out in this ministry. We are in need of about 20 workers to help in preparing the meal and serving the guests. We also are asking for pans of bars and of course financial support to help pay for the meal. There will be sign-up sheets for workers and bars in the foyer in the upcoming weeks. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Suzanne or Todd Koerner.

**Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission, a partner of Mennonite Mission Network**, will host a gathering on Wednesday September 13th at 7:30 PM . at the Prairie Arboretum Interpretive Center with Co-Executive Coordinators John Fumana from the Democratic Republic of Congo and Bruce Yoder from Ontario, Canada. John Fumana and his wife Lucie are visiting North America for him to share about collaborative ministries of adult literacy, African missionary initiatives, villages savings and loan associations, Bible translation, and agricultural development. John's ministry stresses African resources and expertise in its assets-based approach to building resilient and thriving communities and churches that add their unique voices to the global Anabaptist movement and its witness in the world. John is active in global Anabaptist networks and has served as chair and vice-chair of Mennonite World Conference's Global Anabaptist Service Network. All are invited to join in welcoming John and Lucie for their first tour of AIMM friends and supporters in North America!

**Freeman Academy is seeking a responsible person** to work as a part-time kitchen assistant, up to two (2) days per week. Responsibilities will include assisting the kitchen director with lunch preparation, and eventually handling lunch preparation independently. For more information or to apply, contact Dr. Brad Anderson, Head of School, at [banderson@freemanacademy.org](mailto:banderson@freemanacademy.org) or 605.925.4237.



# Cultivate 120

120 Years. Celebrating our Roots. Growing our Future.

**Freeman Academy** is thrilled to announce Cultivate 120, our new fundraising effort that will run throughout this school year. The campaign celebrates the 120th anniversary of our school and our commitment to Christian education. It began on Monday August 21, 2023 and will conclude May 31, 2024.

The success of Cultivate 120 relies heavily on the support of both current and new donors. Our goal at Freeman Academy is to secure \$900,000 over the next 9 months. All donations and campaign contributions will focus on the following needs: to retain and recruit highly qualified teachers and personnel, to grow student enrollment, to provide new curriculum and technology for students, to make campus improvements, and to offer tuition assistance. Cultivate 120 will consist of new events, expansions on current events, requests for your support, and a call to action for current parents of students, and past alumni to help keep the transformative experience at Freeman Academy growing for years to come.

For more information or a list of frequently asked questions on Cultivate 120, please visit Freeman Academy at <https://freemanacademy.org/ways-to-give/cultivate120>. Follow us on Facebook or LinkedIn and look for more updates in various articles in surrounding papers, church bulletins, and other media outlets such as radio and TV. If you have questions or want to get involved, **please contact Eric Hartel, Development Director at 605-925-4237 x235 OR via email at [development@freemanacademy.org](mailto:development@freemanacademy.org)**.

This is truly an exciting opportunity for Freeman Academy to expand its reach and to engage the town of Freeman and surrounding South Dakota communities with our school's long legacy of providing a quality, Christian-based education.