



# Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered –

Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, January 28, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

\*Welcoming One Another

\*Gathering and Praising

*Joys are Flowing Like a River* VT #375

*Your Love is Amazing* VT #96

Scripture Reading

Psalm 89 Pew Bible p. 315

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Worship Music

"Living Hope" by Phil Wickham

Scripture Reading

Mark 5: 1-20 Pew Bible p. 530

Message

The Costs of Healing

Offering Prayer

\*Responding and Sending

*Healer of Our Every Ill* VT #644

*Jesus Christ is Waiting* VT #287

\*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 January 28, 2024 9:45 a.m..**

**Worship Leader:** Jaden Thomas

**Accompanist:** Paige Hofer

**Song Leader:** Amanda Mettler

**Worship Music:** Ellie Jaspers, arr. by Brigitta Hofer

**Children's Time:** Barbie Hofer

**Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler

**Coffee Time:** John & Monica Clem

**Children's Sunday School following the worship service. Adult Sunday School following coffee time in the Education Wing.**

**NEXT SUNDAY February 4, 2024 9:45 a.m..**

**Worship Leader:** John Clem

**Accompanist:** Amy Hofer Vetch

**Song Leader:** Aprille Birkey

**Worship Music:** Cameron & Rina Hofer

**Children's Time:** Suzanne Koerner

**Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler

**Scripture:** Psalm 131 and Mark 5:21-43

**Coffee Time:** Eric & Michelle Neuharth

**Children's Sunday School following the worship service. Adult Sunday School following coffee time in the Education Wing.**

**Calendar:**

January 31: Winter Midweek Bible Study at 7 PM on Zoom

February 18: Church Season of Lent begins

March 24 - 27: Holy Week Services at HMC

**HMC Congregational Ministry Project for January:**

Cash for Blankets and sheets for MCC

Cash can be given to Joyce Hofer, treasurer, or put in the C.M. mailbox. Blankets are \$6 each.

The deacons and pastor invite you to join our annual winter **midweek study** on Wednesday evenings via zoom at 7 PM. We are learning about and discussing the continued conflict between and context surrounding Israel and Hamas while reading the book, *I Am Not Your Enemy* by Michael T. McRay. Our next meeting is Jan. 31.

Last year, **Swan Lake Christian Camp** was able to offer scholarships to 57 kids totaling \$8,000. Through the generosity of the Jackson Vetch memorial fund and other monies, we offer help to any who feel that they cannot pay the full camp fees. Our policy has been to ask that they pay what they are able and the camp will cover the balance. On average, the parents paid nearly \$100 of the full week fees of \$260. It is an honor to help these kids. We invite you to join us in this ministry.

In 2022, **Et Cetera Shoppe** set a new record of \$45,000 to benefit the work of Mennonite Central Committee around the world. In 2023....we were able to send \$60,000! We celebrate being able to make such a meaningful contribution to a worldwide mission and providing a beautiful and friendly place for community members to find affordable clothing and household items. Your donations make this possible! A thrift shop can only be as good as the donations it receives. In this new year, we invite you to consider First Fruits giving to our work. Donate your best! Some of the things we are continually in need of include furniture pieces that are clean and in sturdy condition, and good condition children's clothing in sizes 5-18. (We accept many other things as well!) In September, we will celebrate our 45th birthday – come join our volunteer team in time to celebrate with us!

**FA Noodle Making Days Planned:** Join the volunteer crew to make noodles for the 2024 Schmeckfest meal and Country Kitchen on Saturday, February 10 in the Pioneer Hall dining room. Plans are to begin at 9:00 a.m. Snow date is Monday, February 12. A great time of work and fellowship for folks of all ages! A pizza lunch is provided. Watch the Courier or Freeman Academy websites for weather cancellation.

### Prayer Requests and Praises:

- **Birthdays:** Landon Neuharth on January 30.
- From Central Plains Mennonite Conference: we give thanks for the work of the Ecuador Partnership and pray for safe travels for Executive Conference Minister Nathan Luitjens and Joel Beachy, pastor of East Union Mennonite Church, who are attending the partnership meetings in Ecuador from January 29—February 8.
- Praise God for the fruit that has grown from Mennonite Mission Network's five-year commitment to partner with Holy Trinity Brussels' peace and conflict transformation program in Belgium. Pray for Jean-Bosco Turahirwa, who developed the program for his congregation, which has members from more than 45 countries.
- Update on Kobee Sherman, a young man from the Viborg Hurley area, whom we have been praying for as he journeys with cancer: chemo is getting harder on him and his oncologist suggested that it's time to find a new treatment plan. Doctors did a few extra tests during his most recent hospital stay; they found that one of the spots on his lungs has grown; they do not feel that it would be safe to remove it at this time. Next steps are still to be determined; Kobee holds fast with strength, determination, and faith.

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