



## Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered –

Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, April 14, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

\*Welcoming One Another

\*Gathering and Praising

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* VT #536

*Just As I Am, without One Plea* VT #560

Scripture Reading

Mark 6:53-56 Pew Bible p. 532

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Worship Music

Scripture Reading

Acts 3:1-10 Pew Bible p. 576

Message

The Beautiful Gate

Offering Prayer

\*Responding and Sending

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives* vs: 1-2, 5-6 VT #347

*Christ, Be All around Me* VT #848

\*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 SUNDAY April 14, 2024 9:45 a.m.**

**Worship Leader:** Cole Hofer

**Accompanist:** Paige Hofer

**Song Leader:** Amy Hofer Vetch

**Children's Time:** Les Rensink

**Worship Music:** Shirley Hofer and Paige Hofer

**Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler

**Coffee Time:** Todd & Suzanne Koener

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

**NEXT SUNDAY April 21, 2024 9:45 a.m.**

**Worship Leader:** Barbie Hofer

**Accompanist:** Amy Hofer Vetch

**Song Leader:** Amanda Mettler

**Children's Time:** Amanda Mettler

**Message:** Lois Janzen Preheim

**Coffee Time:** Larry & Edie Tschetter

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

**Calendar:**

Today: Baptism & Scripture Sunday School Series continues:

Mark 13; Psalm 124; Isaiah 8; Jeremiah 47

April 14: Baptism and Scripture Sunday School Series

continues in the South Sunday School Classroom

April 21: Lois Janzen-Preheim joins us for worship as our guest speaker

April 25: Freeman Regional Assisted Living (Salem Mennonite Home) Chapel at 2 PM

April 28: SD MCC Relief Sale Fundraising Meal downstairs after Sunday School

May 5: Freeman Ministerial Baccalaureate service at 4 PM

July 20: SD MCC Relief Sale in Freeman

## Ten Thousand Villages with Jurassic World Merchandise

Ten Thousand Villages entered into an agreement with Universal Studios and Accompany to create the first ever fair trade movie line of merchandise with a limited time to sell. The recent movie, *Jurassic World Dominion*, was the last in the series of movies from Universal in June 2022.

Ten Thousand Villages now has extra inventory partly due to Villages' high quality standards and capacity-building learning curve on the part of our artisan partners, which resulted in arrival to the selling floors MUCH later than planned. Villages is at the end of their licensing agreement and can no longer publicly sell these products, but they want to ensure that all the artisans' beautiful products find homes.

Several Ten Thousand Villages board members have volunteered to help sell Jurassic World merchandise locally to reimburse Villages' payments to our overseas artisans. The merchandise is now 70% off the original price.

Ten Thousand Villages is an expression of Christian faith, caring for those in need and enabling artisans in under-served countries to earn a fair income for their work. Villages was founded as a program of MCC in 1946 by Edna Ruth Byler. Villages continues to complement the vision of MCC.

A price list is attached to the Jurassic World merchandise display. Please indicate the item(s) you are interested in with your name and telephone number. Each church's order will be sent to Villages and the merchandise should return in 10 days. Your payment will be appreciated upon receipt of the merchandise. For questions, please feel free to contact Sharon Waltner at 605. 661. 3222

Thank you for your consideration of Ten Thousand Villages. Although our community no longer has a local store that carries Villages' merchandise, Villages can be easily accessed on-line at [tenthousandvillages.com](http://tenthousandvillages.com).

**Prayer Requests and Praises:**

- **Birthdays:** Isaac Mettler on April 18; Cameron Hofer on April 19.
- Pray for those gathering for the Annual Leaders Retreat next weekend. May it be a time of rest and renewal with ministry colleagues from around the conference.
- JCS International, a Mennonite Mission Network partner in Mongolia, requests continued prayer for herder families, as they struggle to survive this year's dzud (winter disaster), which has caused suffering across 90% of the country, with more than two million animal deaths. Pray that transportation routes will open, so aid can be delivered to remote areas.
- Pray for Pastor Randall and Morgan as they travel in celebration of their tenth anniversary from April 15-23. Pray for their little ones as they spend this time with their grandparents. Pray for Lois Janzen-Preheim as she prepares the message for our worship service on April 21.

**Pastor Randall's contact information:**

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Church Website: [www.hmcfreeman.org](http://www.hmcfreeman.org)

If you have not had the chance to join a Sunday School class yet this year, you can come to the Intergenerational Class on the south end of the education wing today. Pastor Randall is beginning a **Sunday School series about Baptism and Scripture**, which will continue throughout April and into May and possibly June. We will explore together some of the stories about water, washing, immersing, and baptizing in the scriptures while also hearing from people in the class about how they think about their baptism today. All are welcome to join in the conversation. In this morning's class, we will explore how several scripture texts about the overwhelming flood of an enemy army informs the way that we think theologically about baptism.

The Freeman Network for Justice and Peace hosted the first of what are hoped to be 5 informational sessions about Israel-Palestine. The first was this past Sunday, April 7 from 2-4 pm. It was called "**Challenging the Myth of the Israel-Palestine Narrative: A Community Conversation.**"

If you were not able to attend, you can watch the recording online here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kHUn2yqMaaM>

**HMC Congregational Ministry Project for April:**

Cash for SD MCC Relief Sale Kitchen Time Savers

Please give donations to Joyce Hofer (treasurer) or place in the Congregational Ministries mailbox.

**Yearbook Update:**

Ardella Gross new phone number is 605-464-0297

New Address is

Room 345

4000 S. Westport Ave.

Sioux Falls SD 57106

On Saturday, April 27, **The Ortmen Piano Duo**, consisting of Mory Ortman and Jordan Ortman, will perform a two-piano concert at 7:30 p.m. in Pioneer Hall. This is a rare opportunity for local music lovers to hear two grand pianos being played together - by two of Freeman's native sons, who are now professional musicians in New York City and Denver, respectively. No admission will be charged, but a freewill offering for Freeman Academy's Cultivate 120 campaign will be taken. A dessert reception will follow the concert. Plan to join us for this special treat!