



## Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered –

Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, April 5, 2026

9:45 a.m.

Easter Sunday

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

\*Welcoming One Another

\*Gathering Hymn

*Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* VT #354

*Thine Is the Glory* VT #355

Scripture Reading

Selections from Psalm 118

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Worship Music

*Let All the World Praise Him* by Pepper Choplin

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing* VT #28

Poem of Confession

Scripture Reading

John 20:1-8 Pew Bible p. 573

Message

Death and Resurrection

Offering Prayer

\*Responding and Sending

*Be Not Afraid* VT #356

*Christ Is Alive and Goes Before Us* VT #565

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*please stand if you are able

View today's service here:

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

**NEXT SUNDAY: April 5, 2026 9:45 a.m.**

**Worship Leader:** Amanda Mettler  
**Accompanist:** Amy Hofer Vetch  
**Song Leader:** Morgan Koehler  
**Children's Time:** Matthew Tschetter  
**Worship Music:** Mixed Ensemble  
**Poem of Confession:** Isabel Waltner  
**Message:** Pastor Randall Koehler  
**Coffee Time:** Norman Hofer

**After Coffee Time**

- NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

**NEXT SUNDAY: April 12, 2026 9:45 a.m.**

**Worship Leader:** Brandon Waltner  
**Accompanist:** Charlene Friesen  
**Song Leader:** Suzanne Koerner  
**Children's Time:** Les Rensink  
**Scripture:** Revelation 1:9-20  
**Message:** 7 Stars In My Hand  
Pastor Randall Koehler  
**Coffee Time:** Norman Hofer

**After Coffee Time**

- Children's SS in the Education Wing
- Intergenerational Adult SS: Sermon Discussion
- Exploring the Word Adult SS: Acts 11 study

**Calendar:** *(please check the weekly bulletin email for more information and upcoming events)*

April 8: FNJP meeting at Freeman Public Library at 11:30 AM

April 9: Schmeckfest musical at 7:30 PM

April 10-11: Schmeckfest activities from 12 –7 PM  
Schmeckfest musical at 7:30 PM

April 14: Pastor-Deacon Team Meeting at 7 PM

April 15: HMC Board Meeting at 7:30 PM

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### **Call to Worship**

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One: Welcome Easter.

***All: Welcome relief!***

One: Newfound joy is washing over this grief.

***All: Welcome mystery. Welcome surprise!***

One: Impossible reality—risen, before our eyes!

***All: Welcome Jesus, our Savior and Friend.***

One: Welcome seeking and naming.

***All: Welcome love without end.***

**A giant THANK YOU to the generosity shown during the Holy Week Services.** We are able to send \$3276 to the White River Cheyenne Mennonite Church to help with the overwhelming cost of their property insurance, totaling over \$9000. As we presented this to Suzette, she was overwhelmed and so appreciative. Also, thank you for welcoming Suzette with open arms and hearts. She came away feeling blessed by you. Many thanks! Blessings upon blessings to you, Pastor Jill Hofer, on behalf of House Church of Freeman

**Prayer Requests and Praises:**

- **Birthdays:** Christopher Hofer on April 5 (TODAY); Edie Tschetter on April 8.
- We pray for those who are most vulnerable in our communities. May God open our eyes to the possibilities for love and for protection of the least of these among us--and may we be willing to heed God's call.
- Today, we celebrate Easter and the hope brought by the risen Christ amid a world that seems more chaotic and destructive every day. Pray that God's people would remember to be "Easter people" every day, displaying the love of Jesus through the everyday acts of seeking justice, doing service and hoping for a better future.
- **Additional requests:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Offering and Attendance Last Sunday**

Offering: \$1,350

Attendance: 65

**HMC Congregational Ministry Project for April:**

**Cash for SD MCC Sale Kitchen Time Savers & Sauerkraut Booth Expenses**

Please give donations to Joyce Hofer (treasurer) or place in CM mailbox.

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