



**Hutterthal
Mennonite
Church**

Christ-centered - Living, Relating, Serving

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*March 17, 2019
Second Sunday of Lent*

Praise Music

*I owe my Lord a morning song
My latest sun is sinking fast*

STJ #112
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Prelude

Call to worship (based on Psalms 63 and 27)

Leader: O God, you are our God. We seek you.

**People: Our souls thirst for you as in a dry and weary
land where there is no water.**

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation—
we shall not be afraid.

**People: We will wait for the Lord, and take courage,
for we will see God's goodness.**

**All: O God, you satisfy our souls as with a rich feast.
In the shadow of your wings, we sing for joy, and you
uphold us.**

Prayer

Welcome

Gathering Hymn

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

HWB #13

Children's Time

Offering/Prayer

A Wonderful Savior is Jesus

HWB #598

Sharing Time

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Genesis 44:30- 45:7 (page #25 in pew Bible),
I Peter 2:21-25 (page #639 in pew Bible)

Sermon

Joseph and the Balm of Gilead

Leader: *(reading Psalm 27:7-9)*

“Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! ‘Come,’ my heart says, ‘seek God’s face!’ Your face, Lord, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!” Who will seek the Lord today?

Confessional Response:

(one or more persons in the congregation stand and say)

I (or we) will seek the Lord today.

(The person or persons then come forward, place their bowls on the worship center table, and offer their confessional response in the form they have chosen.)

Leader: We are all invited to seek the Lord today. Let us bring ourselves to God in prayer.

(Worship leader leads in prayer.)

All: *Sheltering God, we seek you, for you alone are our light and salvation.*

When darkness moves into our lives, we seek your face.

Leader: When fears overcome us and paralyze us *(pause)*, we seek your face.

When our souls hunger for your shelter *(pause)*, we seek your face.

All: *In the morning and in the evening, we will seek the face of our God.*

Leader: Our generous God provides for us. *(Leader moves to the worship center and fills the bowls with bread while speaking these words of assurance.)*

Sending Hymn

Thy Holy Wings

STJ #118

Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude

Prayer Requests

- * Our Church Family– Continue to pray for healing and peace
- * LeRoy Hofer– coping with cancer
- * Additional Requests

TODAY - March 17– Second Sunday of Lent

Greeters: Dennis & Marcia Schrock

9:30 am: Praise Music led by Marj Hofer

9:45 am: Worship Service

Accompanists: Charlene Friesen

Worship Leader: Charlene Friesen

Children's Time: Brigitta Hofer

Scripture Reading: Marcia Schrock

Message: Ted Lewis

Coffee Time: Brigitta Hofer

10:45 am: Sunday School for all ages

No Soup & Study

Calendar of Events

March 20, 7:00 pm: Board Mtg.

March 24: Third Sunday of
Lent

March 29-30: Schmeckfest

March 31: Fourth Sunday of
Lent

April 5-6: Schmeckfest



NEXT SUNDAY - March 24 – Third Sunday of Lent

Greeters: Joyce Hofer

9:30 am: Praise Music led by Amanda Mettler

9:45 am: Worship Service

Accompanist: Paige Zachariasen

Worship Music: Paige & Preston Zachariasen

Worship Leader: Dennis Schrock

Children's Time: Bekka Kramer

Scripture Reading:

Message: Dr. Paul Rainbow

Coffee Time: Paul & Priscilla Hofer

10:45 am: Sunday School for all ages

12:00 pm: Soup & Study, child care provided

March Projects

Congregational

Ministries:

Hygiene Kits/

Soap Emergency/

Special Needs

Children's Sunday

School Department:

School Kits

Community and Beyond

The Jeff & Rebel Hurd family (Brigitta's neighbors) lost EVERYTHING in a recent house fire. Try to imagine what that would be like. Congregational Ministries will be running two projects in March so that we can assist this family. The original project (hygiene kits and/or soap) will continue as scheduled but we will move the December project (emergency/special need) to March as well.

An offering basket will be placed in the foyer the TODAY. You can also give your gifts directly to Joyce Hofer, Treasurer of Congregational Ministries.

Make checks payable to HMC Congregational Ministries.

Donations sought for Schmeckfest Country Kitchen:

The Schmeckfest Country Kitchen is asking for donations of food items for **March 29 & 30** and **April 5 & 6**. Poppy seed rolls, fruit pockets, pumpkin rolls, caramel rolls, jams, horseradish and summer savory sell especially well. Donated food items for the Country Kitchen may be brought to Sterling Hall and should be labeled. **Thank you!**

Thank you to all who have volunteered to help at Schmeckfest! Because of recent cancellations, workers are needed in the dining hall in the areas of serving, clearing and resetting tables. If you are able to help, please contact Debra Schmeichel at 648-3430.

Et Cetera Shoppe is currently seeking **new volunteers** to fill a variety of positions, including: clothing steamer (2-3 mornings OR afternoons per month, flexible), housewares pricer (Friday mornings), sewing and craft supplies pricer/organizer (a couple hours per month, flexible). And we **ALWAYS** need new clerks and new rug weavers! Please call the shop at 925-7098 to join our team of volunteers that are making a real difference to people in need. If you've ever thought that you'd volunteer **SOMEDAY** – let 2019 be the year you start!

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