



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered – Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, February 12, 2023

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship and Prayer

Welcoming One Another

*Gathering and Praising

I Come with Joy VT #478

Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands VT #485

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Special Music *Praise You In This Storm* by Casting Crowns

Scripture Reading Ezra 4:1-5 Pew Bible p. 253

Message Working with Resistance

Communion

Offering Prayer

*Responding and Sending

Let Us Break Bread Together VT #482

We Are People On A Journey VT #464

Sending Prayer

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY February 12, 2023 9:45 am Communion Sunday

Worship Leader: Cole Hofer

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Song Leader: Amy Hofer Vetch

Children's Time: Joline Thomas

Special Music: Kenny & Aprille Birkey arr. by Paige Hofer

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: Gordon & Sharon Waltner

Children's Sunday School following the service.

Adult Sunday School in the South Room and the fellowship hall following coffee time.

NEXT SUNDAY February 19, 2023 9:45 am

Worship Leader: Brigitta Hofer

Accompanist: Paige Hofer

Song Leader: Aprille Birkey

Children's Time: Rebecca Hofer

Message: Mark Miller

Coffee Time: Cameron & Rina Hofer

Children's Sunday School following the service.

Adult Sunday School in the South Room and the fellowship hall following coffee time.

Calendar:

February 15: Winter Bible Study on Zoom at 7 PM

February 26: Church season of Lent begins—Lenten theme will be *Created in the Image of God; Shaped by Jesus*

March 5: Baby Dedication/Consecration for Matt and Violetta Tschetter

Congregational Ministries Project for February:

Infant Care Kits (MCC)

Place your items in the receptacle in S.S. Room #1 or contact Sharon Waltner if you would like her to purchase a kit for you for \$25.

This Wednesday, February 15, at 7 PM is the sixth session of our annual **Winter Bible Study** meetings on Zoom. "Making Home Again" is our theme, and we will be studying the entire book of Ezra over our time together, which will include discussion questions, brief background comments, and our normal time of sharing and prayer to begin each evening. Each session will be independent of the others, so you can join in on whichever evenings work best for you.

The information for you to join via zoom is below:

Meeting ID: 846 3851 0761

Passcode: 868144

Phone call to join: 1-312-626-6799

Kind and generous church members, **we wish to express our sincere gratitude** to each and every one of you who contributed to making Pastor Randall's ordination service special for him, his family, friends, and our congregation. Each of you had a special role, and that includes your prayers, as well as your attendance at this blessed event. The many volunteers "swept us off our feet" as they pitched in with clean-up. May the Lord richly bless you and encourage you in your efforts to serve our Lord as you serve at Hutterthal.

— Deacons: Charlene, Brigitta, Lyndon

Sponsored by South Dakota Arts Council and Dr. Donald Schenk, **join Freeman Academy for Maggie in the Meantime** on Sunday, February 26th at 2PM at Salem Zion Mennonite Church. Founded in September of 2009 in Sioux Falls, SD and inspired by Celtic and folk forms both old and new, Maggie In the Meantime is a blend of ballad, folk and storytelling that gives these master-level musicians a broad appeal. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$15. Kids 10 and under are free. Funds raised will benefit Freeman Academy.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- Birthdays/Anniversaries: Jada Koerner & Don Hofer on February 12 (today), ElVera Deckert & LaVonne Tschetter on February 13, and Wyndolyn Koehler on February 16.
- Pray for safe travel for Pastor Randall and his family as they go to Elkhart for Pastors and Leaders Conference at AMBS and then spend some time with family in Central Illinois over next weekend.
- Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig and their three children are engaged in ministry in Chad, jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions (EMM) and Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for them as they share Jesus' love in their daily lives — Peter, as he teaches at Shalom Faculty of Evangelical Theology; Christy, as she works at a hospital; and their children, as they interact with classmates and neighbors.
- Pray for our sister churches here in South Dakota: Sermon on the Mount in Sioux Falls and Bethany, Salem, Salem-Zion and the House Church in Freeman.

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Cheese pockets for the **2023 Schmeckfest Country Kitchen** will be made on Friday afternoon and Saturday, February 17 & 18 and February 24 & 25, in the Pioneer Hall Dining Room. Plans are to begin at 3:30 p.m. on Fridays and at 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays. Please bring a sack lunch on Saturdays. Join the volunteer crew for a great time of work and fellowship and learn how this ethnic favorite is made. Watch the Courier or Freeman Academy websites for weather cancellation.

Mennonite Central Committee is accepting donations to support people affected by the **Feb. 6 earthquake in Türkiye (Turkey) and Syria**. MCC is working with long-term partners in Aleppo and surrounding areas to provide emergency food, shelter, hygiene, sanitation supplies and trauma counseling. In a country already vulnerable from years of conflict, this was a devastating blow. You can share God's love and compassion with our global neighbors by providing a gift online at mcc.org/earthquake, by calling (888) 563-4676 or by sending a check earmarked for "Syria and Türkiye earthquake" to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501.

MCC is seeking a **Donor Relations Associate**: This role is responsible for assisting in the implementation of the donor relations strategy for MCC Central States by stewarding major donors involving face-to-face contact to meet the budgeted income goals and generate the necessary resources to accomplish the mission of MCC. This is a full-time position; office location is flexible. Apply online by February 24 at mcc.org/donor-relations-associate. For more information contact Amber Falcón at 574-534-4133 or amberfalcon@mcc.org.

MCC and MCUSA are partnering in a new **webinar series**, **Beyond Incarceration: A hard look at dismantling the prison system and building healthy communities**. Join us to learn about the ways the faith community is actively understanding and working against these complex systems of confinement. The webinars will take place on Feb. 7, Feb. 21, March 7, and March 21 at 6:30 p.m. CST/5:30 p.m. MST. They will be followed by learning tour opportunities in different parts of the U.S. There is a poster on the bulletin board in the upper foyer.

Registration link: mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars

Freeman Academy invites interested families to **Discovery Day** on Feb. 20 beginning at 9:50am. Guests will experience chapel, classroom activities, and a free lunch while getting to know teachers and students. Parents and their children ages 4 through current juniors are welcome to attend. Please register at FreemanAcademy.org or by contacting Enrollment@freemanacademy.org by noon on Feb. 16.

MCC Central States annual meeting, March 4 from 1-3 p.m. at MCC in North Newton, Kansas. This will primarily be an in-person event, but if you would like a link to join via Zoom please email tinaschrag@mcc.org for the link.