



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered –

Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, May 26, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship & Prayer

*Welcoming One Another

*Gathering and Praising

Holy, Holy, Holy VT #76

Christ is Alive, and Goes Before Us VT #565

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Special Music

“Jesu, joy of man's desiring”

Scripture Reading

Eph. 6:10-20 Pew Bible p. 618

Message

Preparing for Battle

Offering Prayer

*Responding and Sending

Be Thou My Vision VT #549

God Calls Us VT #394

*Benediction

Postlude

*please stand if you are able

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY May 26, 2024 9:45 a.m.

Worship Leader: John Clem

Accompanist: Paige Hofer; Pastor Randall Koehler

Song Leader: Amy Hofer Vetch

Children's Time: Barbie Hofer

Worship Music: Joshua Hofer arr. by Paige Hofer

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: Steve Mendel

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

NEXT SUNDAY June 2, 2024 10:30 a.m. VBS Program

Worship Leader: Pastor Randall Koehler

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Song Leader: Jada Koerner

Children's Time: Pastor Randall Koehler

Worship Music: VBS Program

Message: VBS participants and Pastor Randall

Scripture: VBS Reflections and Sharing

NO COFFEE TIME OR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Calendar:

Today: Final Baptism & Scripture Sunday School Series:

Baptism again? Psalm 106; Ezekiel 47

May 27-31: HMC Vacation Bible School; 9am-12pm

June 2: HMC VBS Worship Service at 10:30 AM with luncheon

June 3-7: Pastor Randall seminary class at AMBS in Elkhart, IN

June 6: HMC leads worship at Oakview Terrace at 2:30 PM

June 12: HMC Deacon-Pastor Team meeting at 7:30 PM

June 16: Communion at HMC; Benevolent Fund offering;
blessing/sending of Pastor Randall Sabbatical

June 16: Music Night for MCC at HMC - details soon-coming

June 19: HMC Church Board Meeting at 7:30 PM

June 20-23: CPMC Annual Meeting in Wayland, IA

June 30: Pastor Randall's Sabbatical begins

July 20: South Dakota MCC Relief Sale

September 22: Pastor Randall's first Sunday back

There is a sign-up sheet for the **VBS luncheon** on June 2nd, look for the bright pink paper in the upper foyer. Contact Kathy Pullman, if you have any questions. Thank you!

It's not too late to get the **discounted rate for CPMC's Annual Meeting**--but rates go up on June 1. Register today to attend Annual Meeting where we will worship, learn, fellowship and discern together! See our website for more information and to register, www.centralplainsmc.org

Administration Manager (Full-time): Freeman Academy is seeking a well-organized self-starter to manage data systems related to student enrollment, faculty certification, and related data. This person also helps organize school meetings and events and assists the Head of School with other tasks as needed. Full benefits, including daycare and tuition discounts, apply.

Business Manager (75%-100%): Freeman Academy is also looking for a highly detailed, well-organized individual to manage the financial operations of the school, including payroll, as well as human resource processes. Full benefits, including daycare and tuition discounts, apply.

For more information on either position or to apply, access the application at <https://freemanacademy.org/about/employment/> or contact Dr. Brad Anderson, Head of School, at banderson@freemanacademy.org / 605.925.4237.

HMC Congregational Ministry Project for May:

Cash for Swan Lake Christian Camp

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

Last week, you heard about the **Anabaptist Community Bible project**, which is part of the larger Mennonite celebration of Anabaptism's 500 years. The project, which is managed by Mennomedia, welcomes funds to help with expenses in the production of the Bible. The participants have committed to donate money in memory of Sharon Waltner as one of the group's members. They also invite you, the HMC congregation, to contribute in her honor. An offering basket is in the narthex today. Checks should be made out to HMC and designated "Anabaptist Bible project".

Rural Revival will meet Monday May 27 at 8:00 p.m. at the Freeman library. All are welcome to attend.

Hear ye! Hear ye! All princes and princesses are invited to join us for **Hutterthal Mennonite Church Vacation Bible School** on May 27-May 31 at 9:00-12:00. The theme this year is Keepers of the Kingdom; Standing Strong in Today's Battle for Truth. To sign up, scan the QR code below.

"Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might."
Ephesians 6:10



Much of the focus of this year's 150th anniversary of the wave of Germans-from-Russia immigrants is on their arrival in Dakota Territory that began in 1874.

But the story of that migration goes back to Europe and southern Russia prior to the exodus of thousands of German-speaking people who had lived there for more than a century.

In the first of a three-part series, **Heritage Hall Museum & Archives** in Freeman will take a look at life in the area known today as Ukraine. Scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 2 at the historical Bethel Church on the HHM&A grounds, the program will explore the impetus for people moving to that region starting in the 1700s. It will take a look at what life was like there, and what prompted them to leave starting in the 1870s.

A four-member panel – Dan Flyger, Marnette (Ortman) Hofer, Norman Hofer and S. Roy Kaufman – will look at various aspects of this story. That includes the history and perspectives of Hutterite, Lutheran, Low German Mennonite, Reformed, and Swiss Amish who all settled primarily in Hutchinson and Turner counties in southeastern Dakota Territory in the 1870s.

Museum admission that day will include the program. Admission for only the program (\$8) will be charged at the door; HHM&A members \$4.

HHM&A is open Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and other times by appointment during the summer months.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- **Birthdays:** Michelle Neuharth on May 26 (today)
- **Anniversaries:** Lyndon & Barbie Hofer on May 27 and Todd & Suzanne Koerner on May 30
- We pray for the end of the school year for our teachers, school staff, students and parents in Central Plains. In the midst of busy schedules, may each find time for renewal and relaxation this summer.
- Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig are serving in Chad, with their three children, through Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for Christy as she works as a nurse-midwife and for Peter as he teaches at Shalom: Evangelical Theological Seminary. Pray also for the children as they build relationships with their neighbors.
- Pray for the whole of God's beautiful creation; for the universe; for our home planet, Earth, and all of its living creatures; for regions and species at risk; and for resource-sharing even among the oldest and bitterest enemies or conflicts. Pray for transformation and renewal, for the will and wisdom to care for all of creation as God has called us to do.

Pastor Randall's contact information:

Pastor Office Hours: Wed—Sat 9am-12pm

Phone - 309-208-6032

Email - pastorrandallhmc@gmail.com

Office Administrative Assistant: Aprille Birkey

OAA Hours: Thursday mornings

Church Email: hutterthal@goldenwest.net

Church Website: www.hmcfreeman.org

