



Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered –

Living, Relating, Serving

Sunday, November 3, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship & Prayer

*Welcoming One Another

*Gathering and Praising

Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing VT #555

Mercy, Mercy, Lord VT #169

Sharing Time and Prayer

Children's Time

Worship Music

The Blood Medley

Scripture Reading 1 Sam. 25:23-35 Pew Bible p. 161

Message Seeking Peace with Others: Walking Away

Offering Prayer

*Responding and Sending

Gentle God, When We Are Driven VT #150

View the Present VT #407

*Benediction

Postlude

***please stand if you are able**

HMC Service may be viewed on our web-page:

www.HMCFreeman.org

TODAY November 3, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Worship Leader: Amanda Mettler

Accompanist: Charlene Friesen

Song Leader: Suzanne Koerner

Children's Time: Suzanne Koerner

Worship Music: Men's Ensemble

Message: Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: Chad & Rebecca Hofer

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

NEXT SUNDAY November 10, 2024

9:45 a.m.

Worship Leader: Brandon Waltner

Accompanist: Paige Hofer

Song Leader: Amanda Mettler

Children's Time: Charlene Friesen

Worship Music: Randall & Morgan Koehler

Scripture: 2 Kings 6:8-23

Message: "Seeking Peace with Others: Eating Together" -
Pastor Randall Koehler

Coffee Time: LeRoy & Kathy Pullman

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

Calendar:

Nov. 10: Pastor Randall Sabbatical Presentation

Nov. 17: Peace Sunday and noon potluck meal

Dec. 1: Advent begins

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- **Birthdays:** Monica Clem and Vivienne Koehler on November 3 (today).
- We pray for the work of the relief, mission and service organizations connected to our denomination and conference and for the big and small ways that we each find to live out our common call to serve the least and the most forgotten among us.
- Join Mennonite Mission Network in praying that this Tuesday's elections in the United States will take place without violence and that the leaders who are elected will lead the country in ways of justice and peace.
- Stanley Green, executive conference minister of Pacific Southwest Mennonite Conference, offers this prayer, calling us to conflict transformation and peace and asking God for wisdom and courage to enact change in the world.
mennoniteusa.org/prayer-conflict-transformation

HMC Congregational Ministry Project for November:

Cash for Mennonite Disaster Service

Please place donations in the CM mailbox or give to Joyce Hofer, Treasurer.

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Call to Worship (from Romans 12:14–21)

One: As followers of Jesus, we are called

Many: to bless those who persecute us;

One: to rejoice with those who rejoice, and mourn with those who mourn;

Many: to live in harmony with others and not be arrogant.

One: As disciples of the Prince of Peace, we are called

Many: to not repay anyone evil for evil;

One: to, as far as possible, live peaceably with all;

Many: to feed our enemies when they are hungry and offer a drink when they are thirsty.

One: Ours is a hard and holy calling, friends. And so we gather.

Many: We gather for prayer and study.

One: We gather for singing and silence.

Many: We gather for encouragement and support.

All: We gather for worship.

Today is the last day of **Freeman Academy's annual fall church drive!** During this harvest season, we are grateful to the alumni and friends of Freeman Academy and ask you to consider making a gift to the school's general fund.

Committee members, Lyndon Hofer and Donovan Friesen, will be available today to receive your donations. You can also make your donation online at freemanacademy.org.

Freeman Network for Justice and Peace meeting Wed., Nov. 13, 11:30 A.M. in the Freeman Public Library. All are welcome.

Congregational Prayer

One: Wherever the pride of a few causes harm to many, gracious God,

Many: bring your justice.

One: To those who feel resentment of all that is asked of them, gracious God,

Many: bring your peace.

One: To those who do not receive fair payment and appreciation for their service, gracious God,

Many: bring your justice.

One: In every place where people enact violence against each other, gracious God,

Many: bring your peace.

One: To every heart that is reluctant to share from the bounty you provide, gracious God,

Many: bring your justice.

One: To those who step out toward conflict despite their fear, gracious God,

Many: bring your peace.

One: Gracious God, may your justice rule our world, may your peace guard our hearts.

All: Amen.

Through November 12th, **Sunday School department project** will be raising money to buy goats for families across the globe through MCC. This project is open for the congregation, too. Please see the display in the foyer, where there is a place to put your donations. Thank you, Christian Ed. Committee

As a denomination that seeks to extend peace and dismantle oppression and violence, MC USA has a distinct perspective on social justice issues and concerns that impact our communities. Learn more about MC USA's faith values, ongoing peace and justice work, and resources for further understanding in the new **"Exploring the Issues" series**. Read the first backgrounder on immigration here: mennoniteusa.org/resource/exploring-the-issues

The MC USA Executive Board has published its updated **"Guidelines for Developing Organizational Resolutions and Church Statements in Mennonite Church USA"** and appointed a new Resolutions Committee ahead of the Delegate Assembly on July 11-12, 2025, in Greensboro, North Carolina. The deadline for resolutions is Nov. 13, 2024. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/resolutions-committee/

HHM&A program—focus on Native perspective of 150th.

With 2024 marking the 150th anniversary of the start of the wave of Germans from Russia immigrants to this region, Heritage Hall Museum & Archives has focused on that story.

But another aspect of that migration story belongs to those who were here long before Europeans arrived, the Native Americans. The museum has invited a panel of individuals to share their unique perspectives on Sunday, Nov. 10 at the Freeman Community Center, starting at 3 p.m.

Titled "150 Years; A Native Perspective," panelists will include Jerome Kills Small, an elder from Pine Ridge; Paisley Sierra, a Native liaison with Vermillion Public Schools; and Bobby Johnson, Lakota traditions teacher at Roosevelt High School in Sioux Falls. Rose Bazemore, activist and speaker from Vermillion, will facilitate the conversation.

The museum is open weekday afternoons Mondays through Fridays from noon to 4 p.m. from October through April and by appointment; call 605-925-7545.