

Hutterthal Mennonite Church

Christ Centered – Living, Relating, Serving Sunday, January 19, 2025 9:45 a.m. Anabaptism at 500

Prelude **Call to Worship & Prayer** *Welcoming One Another *Gathering and Praising Comfort, Comfort, O My People VT #212 Open My Eyes That I May See VT #738 Scripture Reading Psalm 51:10-17 Pew Bible p. 303 **Sharing Time and Prayer** Children's Story Worship Music Hallelujah Scripture Reading Mark 1:14-15 Pew Bible p. 527 Message Anabaptism at 500: **Renewal through Repentance Offering Prayer**

Offering Prayer *Responding and Sending

Come, Gracious Spirit VT #371 Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing VT #555 *Benediction Postlude

*please stand if you are able

View today's service here: <u>www.HMCFreeman.org</u>

TODAY January 19, 2025 9:45 a.m. Worship Leader: Les Rensink Prelude and Postlude: Alyssa Hofer Accompanist: Charlene Friesen Song Leader: Amanda Mettler Worship Music: Maria Paff arr. by Larry & Edie Tschetter Children's Time: Brigitta Hofer and Monica Clem Message: Pastor Randall Koehler Coffee Time: Lyndon & Barbie Hofer Children's Sunday School after the worship service. Adult SS following coffee time in the Education Wing.

NEXT SUNDAY: January 26, 2025 9:45 a.m.

Worship Leader: Kenneth Birkey Accompanist: Paige Hofer Song Leader: Amy Hofer Vetch Worship Music: Men's Quartet Children's Time: Matthew Tschetter Scripture: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Matthew 18:1-5 Message: "Anabaptism at 500 - Renewal through Trust and Yieldedness" - Pastor Randall Koehler Coffee Time: Joyce Hofer Children's Sunday School after the worship service. Adult SS following coffee time in the Education Wing.

Calendar:

- Jan. 22 at 7 PM on zoom & in-person: Midweek Winter Bible Study of <u>The Bible Unwrapped</u>
- Feb. 2: Communion at HMC; Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday
- Feb. 9: Exploring Jesus's Dream (Matthew 5-7) sermon series begins
- March 5: Ash Wednesday (beginning of Lent) and final Wednesday evening of midweek study

Anabaptism at 500: On January 21, 1525, a small group of Christians secretly gathered in Zurich for a worship service. There they renounced their baptism as infants and experienced voluntary baptism as adults, now in the full understanding that this decision implied a transformation of life in the way of Jesus. For many, this decision led to imprisonment, torture, and even death. But this gathering also marked the beginning of the Anabaptist movement that continues today in the form of the Amish, Hutterites, Mennonites, Church of the Brethren, and many other related groups. During these first few weeks of the year, we walk in the renewal of our anabaptist forebears and seek God's continued leading in this season for our church, conference, and denomination.

All are invited to join the deacons and pastor for winter **midweek Bible Study** on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM until March 5. We will be studying Meghan Larissa Good's book, <u>The Bible Unwrapped</u>. Come join us in-person at the Et Cetera Shoppe or online via the zoom link listed in weekly Bible Study emails.

Bellwood Mennonite Church in Milford, Neb., invites you to join them Feb. 28-Mar. 1 for **Prayer School with Brian Zahnd**, a pastor and author of 11 books from St. Joseph, Missouri. In three sessions (Fri. evening through Sat. midday), Zahnd will reflect on the place of prayer in our lives and introduce a prayer practice that has been part of the rhythm of his life for many years. There is no cost for participating in the Prayer School, but in order to plan meals and prepare materials we're asking for online registration by Feb. 14. If you can stay through Sunday morning, you'll have the opportunity to hear Michael Danner of MC USA preach during Bellwood's worship service. If you have questions, please be in touch with Susan Janzen or with Steve Griffin, pastor at Bellwood.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

- Birthdays: Les Rensink on January 23
- Pray for those who volunteer as leaders in our conference including those on the CPMC Board, the Christian Formation Committee, Pastoral Leadership Committee, Outreach and Service Committee, Stewardship Task Force, Shalom Readers, Peace and Justice task group, and all other conference volunteers. We give thanks for those who are willing to serve!
- Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the South American celebration of Anabaptism at 500, taking place in Cusco, Peru. Pray that during these five days of worship, learning and fellowship, Anabaptists will experience renewed inspiration to carry their rich spiritual legacy into current contexts.
- Additional Requests during sharing time: _

HMC Congregational Ministry Project for January: Blankets and Soap for MCC

Please place items in the bin in Sunday School room 1.

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