



Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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August 9, 2020 South Church Worship

I. HEARING GOD'S WORD

(9:15-9:30) Gathering

- <https://zoom.us/j/278905019>
- Or phone call-in # (312) 626-6799 and Meeting ID: 278 905 019
- One-Tab Mobile (iPhone) +16699009128,,278905019#

Prelude "Partita on St. Anne" – Manz

Choral Call to Worship "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Welcome & Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Greeting One Another

II. HEARING GOD'S WORD

Anthem "Step Into the Water"

Scripture Reading **Revelation 5:1-10, 7:1-4, 7:9-10**

Sermon "Imagination and God's Vision"
Nathan Luitjens (Executive conference Minister)

Hymn of Response "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" – MH #104
vs. 1-4

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- ❖ **Worship Offering – Restore**
- ❖ **Sunday School Offering – Student Tuition Sharing Fund**

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sending Hymn

“Heart with Loving heart United” – HWB #420

We are separated now to keep each other and our neighbors safe, but we can remain united in song. This is a collaboration of folks from across Canada, the US, and a voice from Germany, too!

Spoken Benediction

Choral Benediction

“He’s My Lord/Sovereign Lord”

Postlude

“Toccatà on St. Anne” – Young

Worship Leader: LaVonne Brockmueller; **Speaker:** Nathan Luitjens (Executive conference Minister); **Musicians:** Sharla Unruh (organ), New Life Quartet (Tim Glanzer, Kirk Preheim, Larry Waltner, Lonnie Waltner, Chauni Glanzer – (accompanist)

WORSHIP OFFERING

Worship Offering Next Sunday (8/16)

Mennonite Mission Network

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Offering Next Sunday (8/16)

Freeman Ministerial

THE CHURCH AT WORK

TODAY

For the next few weeks, we will be collecting coins for MCC’s “My Coins Count”. There are containers on the table with the other offering plates for your coins.

6:30-8:30 p.m.: The congregation is invited to a fundraiser ice cream social on the church lawn, to raise financial support for Polly Carlson as she leaves for a year of Mennonite Voluntary Service in San Francisco, California

THIS WEEK

Wed. (12th), 7:30 – Church Council Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY, August 16

If you are one who is at high risk, you aren’t feeling well, or you just don’t feel comfortable coming, don’t. You can continue worshipping with us on Zoom. Information on how to join us is listed under **HEARING GOD’S WORD.**

Speaker: Pastor Bob; **Worship Leader:** Cal Graber; **Musicians:** Debra Schmeichel (organ)

Open House, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. – The family of Jerome Waltner invites you to a Celebration of Life at the Prairie Arboretum. Please come for a time of visiting with his family. Snacks will be served.

COMING EVENTS

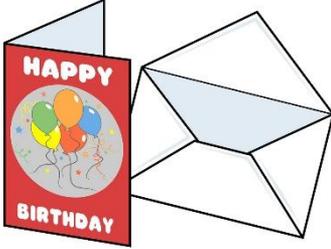
August 17 – Pastor David's first day in the office

August 28 & 29 – Church reserved for Katelyn Graber & Luke Hurley wedding

August 30 – Zoom only worship service

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

Thanks to all who so generously donated to the love offering for Don and Sonja Waltner throughout the last several weeks. The deacon fund was utilized to provide an additional monetary gift to what was donated by the congregation. The money has been distributed to Sonja. The deacons will apply for an Everence grant to reimburse the deacon fund portion of the gift.



Don Waltner has a birthday on August 24. Let's shower him with cards and let him know we are thinking about and praying for him.

Don's new address is: 6321 North 70th Plaza, Omaha, NE 68104

Our church is blessed to have three young people from our congregation who desire to hold their wedding ceremonies in our sanctuary. The Church Council has decided that each Sunday after a Saturday wedding, we will host a ZOOM ONLY church service. There is no need then for special disinfecting, due to the fact that the COVID19 virus dies after five days. The dates for ZOOM ONLY services will be on August 30, September 6, and September 27.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of MCC, and to continue the important services MCC provides, the Mission and Service Team is asking the congregation to help with providing supplies for 100 Relief or Hygiene kits. You can participate by purchasing supplies or donating money to purchase supplies. A list of kit contents is on the narthex table. Boxes are set out for your donations. Monetary gifts may be given to Chris Eisenbeis, designated for "MCC Kits". Thank you for Visit mcc.org for more information.

The music committee will continue to use recorded music at this time for the worship services. If anyone has a request or would like to submit a recording for special music, please contact Kathy Kleinsasser.

If any church committee uses a room at church for a meeting, they need to communicate this date to Amy.

Please remember that the church offices are not accessible at this time. If you need something (ie. copies), please come during office hours (Wed. – Fri. 9:30-12:30).

COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

A Freeman Academy Opening Convocation and picnic will be held on August 23 at 6:00 pm on the lawn south of Sterling Hall on the Freeman Academy campus. Due to the pandemic, the picnic and program will be open to Freeman Academy families and students only. There will be a short program involving the introduction of staff, new families and their students, the presentation of 2020-2021 scholarships, and recognition of the 2019-2020 eighth grade graduates. Freeman Academy would like to ask the extended community to continue to pray for the opening of the school and for the safety of all of our students. We look forward to connecting with our wonderful and supportive community at future events.

Share your 2020 experiences! Heritage Hall Museum & Archives is seeking stories on life during these changing times as part of Anabaptist History Today, a collaborative Anabaptist storytelling project. Sixteen Anabaptist-related archives and history organizations from across North America are participating in this project and we would like to have representation from the Anabaptist groups here in the Great Plains states. Upload videos, audio recordings, photos, journal entries, artwork, poetry and personal reflections at <https://aht.libraryhost.com/s/archive/page/share-your-story>.

MCC is hosting *virtual* alumni gatherings for four of the world regions where MCC works: Latin America and Caribbean, Asia, Europe & Middle East and Africa. And you are invited! Join us for this special time to hear updates from Area Directors about current programming, share stories of service experiences and engage in small group discussions to connect with your MCC friends or meet others who served in the same world region. Find out specific dates, times and register at mcc.org/virtual-alumni-gatherings. Questions? Please contact heidihuber@mcc.org or call 316.283.2720.

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am/ Sunday School – Following Worship
Office Hours – Wednesday - Friday 9:30-12:30; bulletin deadline – 9:30 a.m. Friday
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