



# Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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## I. GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

## (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 "God, the Lord, a King Remaineth"- arr. Burkhardt

## **Choral Call to Worship**      “We Come Unto Thy House” – Belliston

## Opening Prayer

## Opening Hymn                    “Brethren, we Have Met to Worship” – HWB #8

## Welcome & Greeting One Another

## II. HEARING GOD'S WORD

**Scripture** Proverbs 9:10; 1 John 4:17-18

## **Sermon** “Fear of the Lord”

## Worship Music "I'll Fly Away" – Brumley/arr. Courney

### **III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST**

## Announcements & Offerings

- Today's **Worship offering** is for Central Plains Mennonite Conference
- Today's **Sunday school offering** is Gideons
- **Children's Offering** is for Oyate Concern Christian School

## Congregational Sharing & Prayer

#### **IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT**

## **Closing Hymn**      “Come, Thou Fount” – HWB #521

## Spoken Benediction

## Postlude

**Greeters:** David & Cindy Graber; **Musicians:** Debra Schmeichel (organist); **Special Music:** Chancel Choir; Linda Schrag, Anne Waltner (pianists); **Worship Leader:** Stewart Hofer; **Speaker:** Gene Miller; **Coffee:** Class Conference Room Class

## THE CHURCH AT WORK

### TODAY

We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning! Coffee is available in the fellowship hall following the worship service.

**Today "Souper" Bowl Sunday.** The youth will have soup bowls to collect your donations after the service. For each dollar collected from the congregation, the youth group will match and donate to both the Bethany and Turner County Food Pantries. Donations can also be directed to Youth Group treasurer, Seth Balzer.

**Yearbook Addresses:** Address correction forms are out. Look for the bright blue paper in your mailbox. Please fill out the form **even if you have no changes** and return it to Rachel Waltner today (Feb 12). You can also submit address corrections to Rachel via email ([rachelwaltner@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelwaltner@yahoo.com)). Thank you for taking the time to keep our yearbook updated!

**4:30 p.m.** – The Mission and Service Team invites you to participate in a monthly conversation and prayer time with our Ecuador Mission Partners, the Ross Richers. You can join by entering the Waterford Mennonite Church website, [waterfordchurch.org](http://waterfordchurch.org). Then click on Worship, then Online Prayers, then scroll to Ecuador Prayers and click on video or dial in. Or in your Zoom app put in the Meeting ID: 853 3848 4428 and Passcode: 274788.

### THIS WEEK

**Wed. (15<sup>th</sup>), 6:30 p.m.** – Ladies' Ensemble

7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir

8:30 p.m. – Men's Choir

### NEXT SUNDAY, February 19

**Speaker:** Gene Miller; **Worship Leader:** Norm Kaufman; **Musicians:** Sharla Unruh (organist); **Greeters:** David & Cindy Graber; **Coffee:** Class Conference Room Class

**Worship offering** is for Ecuador Partnership

**Sunday school offering** is for Camper Scholarships

**Children's Offering** is for Oyate Concern Christian School

### COMING EVENTS

**February 27** – Mission & Service Meeting

**March 6** – Deacon Board Meeting

**March 9** – Church Council Meeting

## **SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES**

**Thank you to everyone who** provided food and helped serve at the Banquet in Yankton on Thursday night. We served 163 people who were very thankful for the hot, home cooked meal. Thank you for your generosity. - Mission & Service Team

**Everence College Scholarship Deadline**, Everence offers college scholarship opportunities for its members. Eligible students may be chosen to receive scholarships of \$3000, \$2000 or \$1000 for the coming academic year. Applications will be accepted through February 28<sup>th</sup>. Visit [everence.com/scholarships](http://everence.com/scholarships) for more information.

**The date for the 2023 Relief Sale** has been set for July 22.

**Gene feels the way he can** get to know you best is by visiting you in your home. If you would welcome a visit from him on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, please give him a call to set something up. His number is 330-749-1290.

## **COMMUNITY & BEYOND**

**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.

**People from three villages in Ukraine** came to South Dakota in 1874. People from one village traveled to Central Kansas. The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association was initiated in 1983 and was supported by Kansas churches and Salem and Salem-Zion Churches. The first board had representatives from churches. Attending board meetings would have been difficult for South Dakota folks. But now we have Zoom and the possibility of connecting better with our relatives from Salem and Salem-Zion descendants. Board members make decisions about activities enjoyed by Schweitzers and others, telling our stories, taking care of our properties and South Dakota board members could share their perspectives. In August of 2024, we will be celebrating 150 years since our ancestors came to the U.S. so board members can be involved in this planning. Also we need young people to get involved in this ongoing story. Look around to consider those who have interest in history and genealogy who you might encourage to become a part of the SMCHA board and then inform our nominating committee. (If not this year, maybe next year. Thanks for acknowledging our important connections. – Kathy Goering [kjgo@mtelco.net](mailto:kjgo@mtelco.net)

**Bearcats Kids Club:** Children ages 4-10 are invited to an evening of glow in the dark fun and creative drum activities on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:45-7:15pm. Join us near the Sterling Hall gym on the Freeman Academy campus for this exciting time of fun and games! Space is limited. Please RSVP to Elizabeth, [eanderson@freemanacademy.org](mailto:eanderson@freemanacademy.org), by February 10<sup>th</sup>.

**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](http://FreemanAcademy.org) or by contacting [Enrollment@freemanacademy.org](mailto:Enrollment@freemanacademy.org) by noon on Feb. 16.

## **SCHMECKFEST NOTES**

**Cheese Pocket Making Days Planned for Schmeckfest:** 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.

**With Schmeckfest fast approaching,** we are asking for volunteers to help in the kitchen and/or bring food for the meal. There are sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall for this March 24-25 event. If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Preheim or Debra Schmeichel. Thank you!

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Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am/ Sunday School – Following Worship  
Office Hours – Wednesday - Friday 9:30-12:30; bulletin deadline – 9:30 a.m. Friday  
Amy Waltner, Administrative Assistant ([southchurch@goldenwest.net](mailto:southchurch@goldenwest.net)) 925-4553  
Gene Miller, Interim Pastor, 330-749-1290  
Bob Engbrecht, Pastor 648-3017/659-4331