



Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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January 3, 2021 – Epiphany Sunday

“On the road to radiance”

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

“Was in the Midst of Wintertime”
“What Shall I Bring Him”
(Dec. 16. 2018)

Choral Call to Worship

“Joy to the World!” – Larson

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Responsive Call to Worship:

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around:

People: God delivers the needy when they call.

Leader: Let your hearts thrill and rejoice:

People: God will deliver the poor and those who have no helper.

Leader: The nations will bring gold and frankincense before the Lord.

People: We shall see and be radiant,

All: and we will proclaim the praise of the Lord!

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” – HWB #210

II. HEARING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Time

Hearing the Word

Luke 2:22-40

Dramatic Monologue

“The Magi Seek the Messiah”

Sermon:

“On the road to Radiance”

Anthem

“Bell Carol of the Kings” – arr. Larson

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

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

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sending Hymn

“Where is this Stupendous Stranger” – HWB #200

Spoken Benediction

*People of God, people on the road: arise and shine!
Go forth in the radiance of God:
For your light has come
And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.*

Postlude

“Coventry Carol”
(Dec. 18, 2016)

Worship Leader: Janver Stucky; **Speaker:** Pastor David; **Musicians:** Anne Waltner & Rolf Olson (prelude & postlude), Chancel Choir (Dec. 15 2013) - Donna Ries, director; Brass: Cheryl Gering & Megan Eisenbeis, trumpets, Janet Balzer, French horn, Ryan Haggerty & Paul Balzer, trombone, Ben Carlson, tuba; Linda Schrag and Debra Schmeichel, accompanists; Handbells: Marilyn Brockmueller, Cindy Graber, Katelyn Graber & Mary Ann Preheim; **Monologue:** Paul Balzer, **Children’s Time:** Stephen Waltner

WORSHIP OFFERING

Worship Offering Next Sunday (1/10)

Mennonite Mission Network

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Offering Next Sunday (1/10)

Camper Scholarships

THE CHURCH AT WORK

TODAY

We welcome all who are worshipping with us this morning both in person and on Zoom!

THIS WEEK

Tues. (5th), 7:00 p.m. – Trustee Meeting

Wed. (6th) – Monthly Day of Prayer & Fasting, **7:30 p.m.** – Prayer Meeting

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85365395504>
- Meeting ID: 853 6539 5504 Passcode: prayer2020
- One tap mobile +13462487799,,85365395504# US (Houston)
- Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 853 6539 5504

Thurs. (7th), 7:00 p.m. – Deacon Board Meeting

Fri. (8th) – Sun. (10th) – 5th & 6th Grade Winter Retreat

NEXT SUNDAY, January 10

Speaker: Pastor David; **Worship Leader:** LaVonne Brockmueller; **Musicians:** Sharon Waltner

COMING EVENTS

January 13 – Christian Formation Meeting

January 14 – Church Council Meeting

January 15-17 – Junior High Winter Retreat

January 22-24 – Senior High Camp

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

If you plan to be in church for in-person worship, please remember to bring your own mask, we can't continue to depend on masks from MDS.

Update from Kaye Waltner: They were able to remove 75% of the tumor and the rest will be left in for now. They feel like surgery was successful we will have the pathology report later next week. K is doing well and anxious to go home. We appreciate the prayers of the congregation and I will have a recovery process for about six weeks. We will follow up with another neurosurgeon on Monday next week! We are doing well!

Thank you to everyone who remembered us in so many thoughtful ways during this holiday season. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. We also wish you health & confidence in God's mercy in the coming year. Marla & Bob

The Graber family is pleased to announce the birth of Raiden Fredrick, to Charles & Megan. He was born Dec. 24, his dad's birthday. Lucy Graber is his grandma.

Lois Preheim's mother Lila Mae King Janzen, passed away peacefully on Dec. 31 from Covid. She truly has a New Year and a new time!

Address update: Richard Graber, 5500 W. Bakker Park, Sioux Falls 57106

It has been suggested that we remember the birthdays of our members who are in care facilities or those who need to stay in their home during this time.

January

5th – Peter Preheim, PO Box 25, Marion, SD 57043

14th – JoAnn Kaufman, Oakview Terrace, PO Box 370, Freeman, SD 57029

26th – Rita Graber, Salem Mennonite Home, 106 W. 7th St. Freeman, SD 57029

27th – Ione Tieszen, PO Box 395, Freeman, SD 57029

COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

Flandreau Project update: A “drive through” Christmas party was planned by Nitza and Bienvenidos a Brookings for the immigrant families of Flandreau. Tom Manzer of Bienvenidos reports that they stuffed (37) Christmas stockings and provided gift cards instead of toys this year. They felt in these uncertain times that parents should have the flexibility to purchase what is most appropriate for their children whether it be a toy, clothing or food. He says “the outpouring of support from your church communities continues to amaze and humble me.” Thanks for your continued generosity and support.

MCC is needing to fill some openings:

MCC is seeking applicants for the position of **Area Director for Central Southern Asia**. The Area Director will be responsible to coordinate MCC’s resources in impactful and mutually transformative programming. For more information and/or to apply, please visit serve.mcc.org.

Are you looking for opportunities to use your leadership skills? The **MCC Representative for Haiti** provides programmatic direction to the work of MCC in Haiti within the MCC Latin America/Caribbean region. This position provides team leadership and support for all MCC workers in Haiti. For more information and/or to apply, please visit service.mcc.org.

Canner Operator: MCC is looking for new canner operators! This two-year service term is unique and offers the opportunity to travel around the U.S. and Canada, working as a team while meeting new people! Check out mcc.org/canning for details!

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am (in person & Zoom) No Sunday School at this time

Office Hours – Wednesday - Friday 9:30-12:30; bulletin deadline – 9:30 a.m. Friday

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