



# Salem Mennonite Church

A Congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

28103 443rd Ave  
Freeman, SD 57029-5840

(605) 925-4553  
southchurch@goldenwest.net  
southchurchsd.org

---

**July 28, 2024**

---

## **I. GOD CALLS US INTO PRAISE**

### **Prelude**

### **Call to Worship (from Psalm 3)**

**Leader:** I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill.

**People:** **I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.**

**Leader:** You, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

**People:** **Arise, O LORD! Save me, O my God!**

**Leader:** Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people!

### **Opening Prayer**

### **Opening Hymn**

*“Praise, My soul, the King of Heaven”* – HWB #65

### **Welcome and Greeting One Another**

### **Confession of Sin (in unison)**

HWB #701

### **Special Music**

*“Our Father”* – Craig Courtney  
*“How Great Thou Art”* – arr. Dan Forrest

## **II. HEARING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD**

### **Scripture Readings**

Acts 6:8-15; Mark 6:1-6

### **Sermon**

*“Prophets Without Honor”*

### **Children’s Message**

## **III. RECEIVING THE SPIRIT, JOINED IN CHRIST’S BODY**

### **Hymn of Response**

*“O Jesus, I Have Promised”* – HWB #447

### **Reception to Membership – Bailey Carlson**

HWB #794

## Announcements & Offerings

- Today's **Worship offering**: Mennonite Mission Network
- Today's **Sunday school offering**: Freeman Academy
- **Children's Offering**: Bethany Food Pantry

## Congregational Sharing & Prayer

## IV. RETURNING TO GOD'S SERVICE AS NEW CREATURES

Closing Hymn

*"For Christ and the Church"* – HWB #416

Benediction

HWB #766

Postlude

---

**Greeters:** David Graber & Monte Waltner; **Worship Leader:** Lee Brockmueller;  
**Musicians:** Barb Yoder & Ruth Mueller (pianists), Victoria Boese, Katelyn Hurley,  
Laura Nettifee, and Lauren Penning, Sharla Unruh (accompanist); **Speaker:** Pastor  
Spencer; **Children's Message:** Pastor Spencer; **Coffee:** Class #10

## THE CHURCH AT WORK

### TODAY

**We welcome all** who are worshipping with us this morning! Coffee is available in the fellowship hall following the worship service. There are small cups with lids for children to use.

**During the Sunday School hour**, Pastor Spencer will offer a Pastor's Class to discuss scriptures and sermon themes of the past month. **Today the focus will be on Acts 2-6.** We will be meeting in the Pastor's Study. Pastor Spencer also welcomes such discussions one-on-one for those who would like them.

**7:00 p.m.** – The movie *"Zwingli"* will be shown. Information about the film (not recommended for young children) is been posted in the narthex.

### NEXT SUNDAY, August 4

**Speaker:** Pastor Spencer; **Worship Leader:** Paul Balzer; **Musicians:** Debra Schmeichel (organist); **Greeters:** Linda Graber & Vernetta Waltner; **Coffee:** Conference Room Class

**Worship Offering:** AMBS/EMS

**Sunday school Offering:** Salem Sunday School

**Children's Offering:** Bethany Food Pantry

**Communion will be observed** during the worship service.

**Nathan Epp will give a presentation** on Mennonite/Anabaptist history and theology during the Sunday School hour.

## **COMING EVENTS**

**August 7** – Monthly Day of Prayer & Fasting

**August 12** – Deacon Board Meeting

**August 12-15** – Turner County Fair

## **SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES**

**Goldenwest changed some settings** for the church emails, so hopefully you will all be getting your emailed bulletin. If you don't and feel you need to see it before Sunday, it's on the church website [www.SouthChurchSD.org](http://www.SouthChurchSD.org)

**Ice Cream Booth Swag!!** As a thank you for all who work at the ice cream booth, the youth group is purchasing baseball caps, bandannas, and t-shirts for you to wear while working in the booth. Samples of the t-shirts are in the narthex, available in sizes small through 5X. The only catch is that you have to let us know what you want (and what size t-shirt) by 12:00 noon on August 1, 2024. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex, or you can email [krisbrad@goldenwest.net](mailto:krisbrad@goldenwest.net). If you have any questions, please contact Cheryle Gering or Kris Carlson.

**Beginning August 20**, my office hours will be 9:30-12:30 Tuesday and Friday. Amy

**Our annual school kit drive is beginning.** Please give monetary donations to Lee Brockmueller earmarked for school kits or purchase supplies at your convenience. A list of items is available on the narthex table. Thank you for helping with this important project!

## **COMMUNITY & BEYOND**

**Sunday, August 4 in Pioneer Hall** will be the final installment in a three-part series of panel discussions that have explored the 150th anniversary of the wave of Germans-from-Russia migration to North America that began in 1874.

Dan Flyger, Marnette (Ortman) Hofer, Norman Hofer and S. Roy Kaufman are providing unique perspectives on different aspects of this story. That includes the history of Hutterite, Lutheran, Low German Mennonite, Reformed and Swiss Amish immigrants who all settled in southeastern Dakota Territory in the 1870s.

**Freeman Academy is needing housing** for an International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) worker planning to come for the 2024-25 school year. This young man is an English teacher from Chad, and he will be working at FA as a teacher's assistant in a variety of capacities. He would need to have transportation to and from school each day, in addition to regular room and board, lasting from mid-August to the end of school (with a few breaks for holiday/IVEP event travel). MCC will reimburse hosts \$450/month, and it is possible to commit to only one half of the year, if you are unable to host for a full year. If you have an interest in hosting, please contact Brad Anderson at 605.925.4237 or [banderson@freemanacademy.org](mailto:banderson@freemanacademy.org).

**I am still looking for the owner** of the Dewalt driver that was left at the Lucy Graber farm following the MDS work there last week. Contact LeRoy Pullman at 605-660-1014.

---

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am/ Sunday School – Following Worship  
Amy Waltner, Administrative Assistant (southchurch@goldenwest.net) 925-4553  
Spencer Bradford, Pastor 919-808-2024/spencerbradford42@gmail.com

### **CPMC Conference Report** (from Marilyn Brockmueller)

I was privileged to attend the CPMC Annual Meetings this year at Sugar Creek Mennonite Church in Wayland, Iowa. I went as the representative from our Department of Mission & Service. I attended 2 workshops that were relevant to our department. 1) “Ecuador Partnership Update” lead by Joel Beachy and Nathan Luitjens who visited Ecuador earlier this year. They showed pictures of the locations, the people that we are supporting and explained about the church work and programs they are doing. 2) “Immigration Injustice, What Can I Do?” was led by Margie Mejia-Caraballo (CPMC pastor) and Abraham Diaz Alanso (MCC Central States Immigration Program Coordinator). Margie read her recently published poem about one immigrant family and told stories about the immigrants who she is helping that are in her congregation and in the Quad City area. Abraham told about what resources MCC Central States has to help all the Mennonite congregations in the region who work with immigrants.

I, also, enjoyed meeting with people that I had served with while serving on the CPMC Board and other people that I have met throughout the years. Saturday evening, we met at Crooked Creek Camp which is located in a very scenic setting near Washington, Iowa. It was interesting to see another Mennonite camp. From there we visited Nick, Erika and the boys at their home in Washington. I would encourage everyone to attend an Annual Meeting to better understand the working of CPMC and meet people from the many varied congregations throughout our conference.