



# Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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## June 14, 2020 - What Christ Accomplished on the Cross on our Behalf *South Church Worship (online)*

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### 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** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" arr. – Frank

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship & Opening Prayer**

**Greeting One Another**

**Opening Hymn** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" – HWB #145  
verses 1, 2 & 5

### II. HEARING GOD'S WORD

**Children's Time**

**Musical Offering** "My Life Flows On"

**Scripture Reading** **Colossians 1:11-14, 2:13-15**

**Sermon** "Atonement-What's That?"

**Hymn of Response** "Christ, We do All Adore Thee" – HWB #105

### III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

**Announcements & Offerings**

- ❖ **Worship Offering – Mennonite Mission Network**
- ❖ **Sunday School Offering – Oyate Concern School**

**Congregational Sharing & Prayer**

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

**Sending Hymn**

“To God be the Glory” HWB #102

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

“Fairest Lord Jesus” – arr. Stickles

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**Worship Leader:** James Unruh; **Speaker:** Pastor Bob; **Musical Selections:** Annie Carlson (piano), Audrey & Elliott Graber; **Children’s Time:** Jenelle Miller; **Audio-Visual Technicians:** Rachel & Matt Waltner

### **WORSHIP OFFERING**

Worship Offering Next Sunday (6/21)      Central Plains Mennonite Conference

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING**

Offering Next Sunday (6/21)      Camper Scholarships

### **THE CHURCH AT WORK**

#### **NEXT SUNDAY, June 21**

**All churches in Central Plains Mennonite Conference** are encouraged to worship together with the resources that have been provided. The theme is “Seek the Peace”, the scripture text is Jeremiah 29. **Speaker:** Pastor Nathan Luitjens, Executive Conference Minister; **Worship Leader:** Angie & Brent Brockmueller; **Musical Selections:** Murray Ries (organ), Kathy Kleinsasser & Libby Miller; **Audio-Visual Technicians:** Rachel & Matt Waltner

#### **THIS WEEK**

**Sat. (20<sup>th</sup>)** – Central Plains Conference Annual Meeting (virtual)

#### **SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES**

**Derrold Waltner is recovering at FRHS** after hip surgery on Monday.

**In celebration of the 100th anniversary of Mennonite Central Committee**, our South Church Mission and Service Team would like to showcase the work of MCC from a more personal perspective throughout the remainder of the year. If you have served with MCC, we invite you to share your experiences with our church family either in person as a "mission moment" during a Sunday morning service or by writing about your time of service and providing it to the church office for inclusion in the church’s "Connected" newsletter. If you are willing to participate in this project or have questions, please contact Chantel Hofer.

**It’s not too late!** Register for Central Plains Annual Meeting today! This year, we’re meeting for our delegate sessions on Saturday, June 20. Find out more and register on our website: [www.centralplainsmc.org/annual-meeting-2020](http://www.centralplainsmc.org/annual-meeting-2020)

**The Mission and Service Team has been notified** by the Bethany Food Pantry of some critical needs to keep their program running smoothly. With COVID-19 concerns, many volunteers who are in high risk groups are not able to assist now. If you are willing to be placed on the volunteer list or have questions, please call Sam Sorensen (605-553-4129). The pantry is open to clients the first three Fridays of each month from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

**They are also experiencing a shortage** of personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies and paper products. This would include hand/laundry/dish soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, etc. You can purchase these items (please shop locally!) and bring them to Salem Mennonite church narthex, or send monetary donations to Bethany Food Pantry, c/o Sam Sorensen, PO Box 234, Freeman, SD 57029. Thank you for responding to this urgent need!

**We will be making a new schedule for worship leaders at this time.** Obviously, serving as worship leader currently looks a little different than it used to! Would YOU be willing to help out in this way? Being a worship leader for a Zoom service is going to be especially important once Pastor Nick has left. All that is needed is for you to have a computer with a camera and microphone, so that we can all see and hear you - combing your hair and changing out of your jammies is optional! If you would be willing to help facilitate our worship time in this way, PLEASE email Kris Carlson at [krisbrad@goldenwest.net](mailto:krisbrad@goldenwest.net) as soon as possible. This is an immediate and pressing need!

### **COMMUNITY AND BEYOND**

Please join **MCC on June 16 at 1 p.m. CST/ 12 p.m. MDT, for a webinar: MCC's migration work in Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala/El Salvador** to discuss questions such as: How are MCC workers and partners in Latin America being affected by COVID-19? How are U.S. policies and protocols affecting the spread of the virus among the vulnerable population? How are organizations and faith communities responding? And how can each of us get involved and support their work during this time? Learn how to join this conversation at [mcc.org/immigration-webinar-series](http://mcc.org/immigration-webinar-series).

You're invited to join **MCC on June 17th at 6 p.m. CST/ 5 p.m. MDT for a webinar featuring Paul Shetler Fast, MCC's global health coordinator.** Learn how COVID-19 is threatening the developing world and how MCC is responding. MCC's monthly webinar series, featuring a wide variety of stories from MCC projects from around the world, explores how MCC is responding to COVID-19. Experts in the field will give us a behind-the-scenes experience, sharing their own stories. Come with your questions! Register for upcoming webinars and browse through past recordings at [mcccanada.ca/mcc-webinar-series](http://mcccanada.ca/mcc-webinar-series).

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Last weekend we sent a pastoral note to Central Plains congregations in the Twin Cities with prayers for strength and mercy in the wake of the killing of George Floyd by Minneapolis police officers. Today we want to speak to the entire membership of Central Plains Mennonite Conference.

We join in the cries for justice for Mr. Floyd and for the transformation of the systems that have allowed racism, disparities, and injustice to flourish for far too long. We confess that what has been laid bare through this tragedy has, in fact, been among us all along.

So, we pray for the peace of our cities and towns, our rural communities, and our entire country — not for a peace that ignores the cries of those who suffer, but for a peace that acknowledges the pain, offers humble repentance, and works to right the wrongs of racial injustice that were so tragically brought to the forefront last week in Minnesota.

With the leadership of Mennonite Church USA, we agree that “this is not a time for Mennonites to be the quiet in the land. We call on our congregations to lament and pray together. More than that, we encourage you to stand in solidarity with communities of color, walk alongside them and, indeed, be led by them” (*MC USA Statement on Racial Injustice, June 1, 2020*).

We echo the urging of Glen Guyton, Executive Director for MC USA, that “along with thoughts and prayers, we need action. We need to be unified around who we are as transformative peacemakers, not our political ideologies.” We join his call “on all MC USA congregations to have a time of prayer on Sunday, June 7, to lament the violence, pain and injustice that is plaguing our country. I ask that you pray for compassionate and wise leadership for our country during this time” (*We Need to Engage in More Costly Peacemaking, June 1, 2020*).

Both of these articles, along with other resources on anti-racism, including a collection of laments and prayers written for this occasion, have been posted on our website ([www.centralplainsmc.org/anti-racism-resources](http://www.centralplainsmc.org/anti-racism-resources)).

“We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another” (Rom. 12:5). In this season of Pentecost, may we all be filled anew by the life-giving power of the Holy Spirit, so that we might be strengthened for our daily labors, equipped to offer compassionate care to one another, and emboldened to proclaim the Good News in word and action.

With love in the name of Jesus,

Susan Janzen, Conference Minister for Ministerial Leadership

Amanda Bleichty, Conference Minister for Christian Formation

Nathan Luitjens, Executive Conference Minister

