



Salem Mennonite Church

A Congregation of
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

Musical Call to Worship

“Canon” - Tallis

Opening Prayer

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Anthem

“Ode to Joy” – Beethoven

II. HEARING GOD’S WORD

Hearing Scripture

Ephesians 4:1-6

Sermon

“Be Humble. . .”

Hymn of Response

“Jesus, Keep me Near the Cross” – HWB #617

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- Today’s **Worship offering** is for SD MCC Relief Sale
- Today’s **Sunday school offering** is for Salem Sunday School
- **Children’s Offering** is for MCC Hygiene Kits

Sharing by Wendell Gehman

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sending Hymn

“Joys are Flowing like a River” – HWB #301

Spoken Benediction

Postlude

Greeters: David & Cindy Graber; **Musicians:** Anne Waltner (piano), Carol Eisenbeis, Beth Kaufman, MeKayla Preheim, Kaye Waltner & Sonja Waltner (flute quintet); **Worship Leader:** Peggy Waltner; **Speaker:** Pastor Jack; **Coffee:** Class #14

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.

We welcome Wendell Gehman to the service this morning! Wendell is the Administrator of the Oyate Concern Christian School on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

THIS WEEK

Mon.-Fri. (6th-10th), 9:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m. – VBS at North Church

Wed. (8th), 8:00 p.m. – Bible Study on the persecuted church

NEXT SUNDAY, June 12

10:00 a.m. – Vacation Bible School program at North Church (no service here)

Worship offering is for Central Plains Mennonite Conference

Sunday school offering is for Camper Scholarships

Children’s Offering is for MCC Hygiene Kits

COMING EVENTS

June 15 – Bible Study on the persecuted church

June 16-19 – CPMC Annual Meeting at Freeman Academy, A Combined Worship Service will be Held June 19 at North Church

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

The Department of Christian Formation is once again offering a camp scholarship for any of our church youth attending Swan Lake Christian Camp this summer. The scholarship amount is half of the camp fee. If you have any questions, please contact Cindi Mutchelknaus, Department of Christian Formation Treasurer.

This summer our children's Sunday School department will be meeting as a group. Would you be interested in leading the kids for an hour of informal activity on one of the Sundays? There is curriculum to follow, but you can also play games, do crafts, make snacks, create music, watch videos, or enjoy God's creation outdoors! If you've ever thought that you'd enjoy teaching Sunday School, but were reluctant to make the time commitment, this is the perfect opportunity for you to try it out and have fun with our amazing kids, with only a one-hour commitment! Interested in helping out with this incredibly important ministry of our church? Please contact superintendent Kris Carlson to choose your Sunday!

South Church's Interim Team: Angie Brockmueller, Janver Stucky, Peggy Waltner Gregg Waltner, Kaye Waltner; **Our meeting date is June 7th at 7pm.** The first item on our agenda will be to get acquainted. Then we will begin to grapple with the homosexual question out of MCUSA and its impact upon South Church. Should you have a comment on this topic please enlighten a team member. Your comments are appreciated. PJ

South Church, June/July 2022

The following schedule reflects a process for congregational discernment of a "working" position for church members on homosexuality.

1. June 9th, 7:30pm, Report from the Delegates. There will be a time for Q@A. **This is an informational gathering session only.**
2. June 14th, 7:30, Open Forum. The purpose of this meeting is to give church family an opportunity to express thoughts and feelings on the subject of homosexuality. For individuals uncomfortable with public speaking or that may feel unsafe you are invited to anonymously express your thoughts and feelings in writing. Either Pastor Jack or Vernetta will read your reflections. **We ask for everyone to respect the dignity and opinions of others. This is a listening session only.**
3. June 30th, Time to be determined. Church Dialogue using the "World Café" method. The purpose of this meet will be to discern a "working position" on the subject of homosexuality. A summary of the meeting will be given to the Interim Team and leadership to process. **The two weeks between sessions is to give the congregation time to fast and pray.**
4. July 14th, Time to be determined. **Leadership will report to the congregation their recommendations for clarification and further process with the church family.** Between sessions the Interim Team and leadership will process the meeting results.

Even though there will be no worship services here on June 12 (VBS Program at North Church), or June 19 (CPMC Worship at North Church), I do plan to be in the office during the week, but will not have regular hours. If you have announcements you want/need to share with the congregation please submit them to the office by 9:30 a.m. on Friday, June 11 and Thursday, June 17. I will put them together and send out an email. Amy

Worship music scheduling underway: The music team at South Church is now scheduling worship music for the summer months from June through September. This is the time to offer your musical talents and share your gifts with the congregation. It is also an opportunity to have family or friends visiting provide music and be a part of our worship service. If you are willing to provide a solo or organize a small group, either vocal or instrumental music, please contact the music team members responsible for the following months: June-Sonja W/Donna R; July-Sharla U/Cal G; Aug- Janet B/Cindy G; Sept-Kathy K/Sharla U. Any music suggestions for the team would be greatly appreciated.

COMMUNITY & BEYOND

The Freeman Regional Health Services Auxiliary especially appreciates the participation in the fund drive project. Your response was awesome! God's Blessings, Dawn Stahl

The Freeman Academy library is holding an elementary book drive over the summer to build up the elementary portion of the library. Information is posted on the bulletin board. If you have questions, please contact Kelsey Pidge at kpidge@freemanacademy.org or 605-421-1318.

From SD MCC Relief Sale:

1. There is still time to make a theme basket for the silent auction. It's a fun activity to do as a family, with friends or a Sunday school class. You will find copies of theme basket ideas on the table in the foyer. It is helpful if you provide a list of the contents included in your basket.
2. Registration forms for the bike/walk are also available on the table in the foyer. Note the event has expanded to include walkers. This year we are focusing on family and community building. It begins at 7 pm (check in at 6:30) on Friday. The registration form is also available on line for downloading. Deadline is July 1. You may still participate without pre-registration but it is helpful in planning to know many people to expect.

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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