



Salem Mennonite Church

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South Church Worship (online)

Longing for the Reign of God

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

“Amazing Grace” arr. – Will Todd

Welcome

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Greeting One Another

II. HEARING GOD’S WORD

Opening Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy” – blue HWB #120

Scripture Reading

Daniel 7:13-14, Colossians 2:9-15, Matthew 28:16-20

Hymn of Response

“Longing for Light” – green STJ #54

Sermon

“Witnessing to the Reign of God”

Prayer of Lament - Joining with all MCUSA congregations to lament violence
and pray for peace

Choral Response

“I Don’ Feel No Ways Tired” – Stacey Gibbs

“Oh I am seeking for a city into da kingdom, hallelujah!

Oh Lord, I don’ feel no ways tired, hallelujah!

For I hope to shout ‘glory’ when this world is on fire,

Children, oh glory, hallelujah!”

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- ❖ Worship Offering – General Fund
- ❖ Sunday School Offering – Oyate Concern School

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sending Hymn “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” green STJ #63

Benediction

Postlude “Beautiful Morning” – arr. John Wykoff

*“O come and go along with me,
we’ll all rise together in the morning;
I’m bound fair Canaan’s land to see,
We’ll all rise together in the morning.
There we may tell our sufferings o’er,
We’ll all rise together in the morning;
When we shall reach that happy shore,
We’ll all rise together in the morning.
In the morning, what a beautiful morning that will be,
When we all rise together in the morning.”*

Worship Leader: Paul Balzer; **Speaker:** Brad Anderson; **Musical Selections:** Bethel College Concert Choir 2019 (including Jesse Balzer, Annie Carlson, Bailey Carlson & Polly Carlson); **Audio-Visual Technicians:** Rachel & Matt Waltner

WORSHIP OFFERING

Worship Offering Next Sunday (6/14) Mennonite Mission Network

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Offering Next Sunday (6/14) Salem Sunday School

THE CHURCH AT WORK

NEXT SUNDAY, June 14

Speaker: Pastor Bob; **Worship Leader:** Paul Balzer; **Musical Selections:** Annie Carlson (piano), Kathy Kleinsasser & Libby Miller; **Audio-Visual Technicians:** Rachel & Matt Waltner

COMING EVENTS

June 20 & 21 – Central Plains Conference Annual Meeting (virtual)

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

The Mission & Service Team has selected Dawn Stahl as the Wellspring delegate to replace Erika Detweiler.

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 as soon as possible. This is an immediate and pressing need!

So many things are different this year – but one thing that's not different is that YOU are invited to Central Plains Annual Meeting! We'll be meeting virtually on Saturday, June 20, via Zoom. Find out more information and register on our website www.centralplainsmce.org/annual-meeting-2020

The Department of Christian Formation has increased the scholarship amount for youth attending Swan Lake Camp. The scholarship amount now available is 1/2 of the cost of the camp fee. If you have questions, contact Cindi Mutchelknaus at (Home) 605-925-4652, (Cell) 605-929-1714 or email, mutchgc@gwtc.net

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.

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.

Consider being an MVS participant for the 2020-2021 MVS year! The application deadline has been extended until the end of July Visit MennoniteMission.net/MVS to learn more and apply!

Update on Gordon: He appreciates so much all the expressions of love, prayers and generosity of his friends, and from the churches and conferences he has served. Gordon's health seems fairly stable, but he mentioned this morning that his swollen lymph nodes in his neck are beginning to affect his swallowing. (He is thankful that his caregivers responded quickly to restore his breathing after a recent choking incident.) Gordon graciously accepts his mortality, with a resilient sense of humor. Your prayers and cards are much appreciated! Gordon's *amended* address is: *Gordon Scoville, Apt 32, Kinship Pointe of Seward, 500 Heartland Park Drive, Seward, NE 68434*. If you would like to receive a monthly email update about Gordon, please email Monica Clem at office@centralplainsmc.org.

Total Receipts: \$10,270.00 received as of May 28, 2020. Thank you so much!

Distributions: Gordon had sufficient funds, including his stimulus check, to fully cover all June rent. During the last week of June, the first disbursement will be drawn from the Gordon Scoville benevolent fund, to help cover his July room and board at Brookdale Seward Heartland Park. We will first draw on Gordon's Social Security and disability, then supplement the balance from your generous contributions. His incidental expenses have been locally covered.

If you or your organization would like to continue to help with ongoing donations, please send your contributions payable to: **Central Plains Mennonite Conference, PO Box 101, Freeman, SD 57029** and write "Benevolent fund for GS" on the memo line.

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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