



Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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I. GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

- <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 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" – Gehrke
"Now Thank We All Our God" - Kaufmann

Choral Call to Worship "Give Thanks and Glorify His Name" – Lloyd Larson

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn "Praise to God Immortal Praise" – HWB #91

Welcome & Greeting One Another

II. HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Ruth 4:16-22; Matthew 1:1-17

Sermon

Worship Music "Simple Praise" – Craig Courtney

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- Today's **Worship offering** is for Swan Lake Christian Camp
- Today's **Sunday school offering** is for Oyate Concern Christian School
- **Children's Offering** is for Oyate Concern Christian School

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Closing Hymn "Lord, Should Rising Whirlwinds" – HWB #92

Spoken Benediction

Postlude "Old Hundredth Variation" - Bourgeois

Greeters: Brent & Angie Brockmueller; **Musicians:** Heather Haggerty (organist), Chancel Choir; **Worship Leader:** Dennis Ries; **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.

2:00 p.m. Bible Study – “The Power of a Discerning Spirit” by Dr. Charles Stanley

4:30 p.m. – The Mission and Service Team invites you to participate in a monthly conversation and prayer time with our Ecuador Mission Partners, the Ross Richers. You can join by entering the Waterford Mennonite Church website, waterfordchurch.org. Then click on Worship, then Online Prayers, then scroll to Ecuador Prayers and click on video or dial in. Or in your Zoom app put in the Meeting ID: 853 3848 4428 and Passcode: 274788.

6:00 p.m. – Freeman Area Children’s Choir Fall Concert at North Church

7:00 p.m. – Swiss Choral Rehearsal at North Church

THIS WEEK

Mon. (14th) - Tues. (15th) – MCC Meat Canner in Freeman

Tues. (15th), 7:30 p.m. – Mission & Service Meeting

Wed. (16th), 6:30 p.m. – Handbells; **7:30 p.m.** – Chancel Choir

8:30 p.m. – Men’s Choir, Ladies’ Ensemble

9:00 p.m. – Combined North/South Men’s Choir

NEXT SUNDAY, November 20

Speaker: Pastor Bob; **Worship Leader:** Cal Graber; **Musicians:** Sharla Unruh (organist); **Greeters:** Brent & Angie Brockmueller; **Coffee:** Class #14

Worship offering is for Central Plains Mennonite Conference

Sunday school offering is for Heritage Hall Museum & Archives

Children’s Offering is for Oyate Concern Christian School

2:00 pm. – Bible Study: “A Happy Thanksgiving” by Charles Stanley

COMING EVENTS

November 24 – Thanksgiving Day Service Here, Fellowship Hall Reserved

November 22 – PCRT Meeting

November 27 – First Sunday of Advent

December 4 – Annual Meeting Following a Potluck Meal

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

Dalton & Libby Miller welcomed Valerie Pearl into their family on Saturday, November 5. Kevin & Amy Waltner are her grandparents.

A note from Karl & Lanna Lebkuchner is posted on the bulletin board.

The combined North/South Men's choir will rehearse on Tuesday, November 22 at 7:30 for the Thanksgiving Day service.

The Church council is seeking volunteers interested in helping to provide transportation for South Church worshippers on Sunday mornings. Responsibility would be on a rotating basis and likely involve 1-2 Sundays a month, Training and a transit vehicle would be provided. Contact Chris Eisenbeis to volunteer or find out more.

In your mailboxes is a survey regarding LGBTQAI+ relationships. If you are a member or a regular attendee, please fill it out and return it to the box on the table in the narthex by November 20. Results of the survey will be shared at the Annual Meeting on December 4.

"MCC Buckets of Thanks" This Thanksgiving season, show your gratitude and provide hope to those in need by collecting relief supplies for MCC. Five-gallon pails filled with hygiene items are sent all around the world to places like Ukraine, Iraq and Syria. Supply lists can be found on the narthex table, and tubs are available for your donated items. Monetary donations can be given to Chris Eisenbeis, earmarked "Buckets of Thanks".

COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

As the holidays approach, the Et Cetera Shoppe once again would welcome your donations of traditional pfeffernusse (peppernut) cookies made from the recipe of your choice. Every year, the sale of peppernuts at the shop greatly boosts our end-of-year giving to the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Making peppernuts can be a fun holiday activity to do with grandchildren, mentees, youth groups, extension clubs, and anyone else – so please consider making a batch and bringing them to the shop any time before Thanksgiving (and after, too)!

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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Bob Engbrecht, Pastor 648-3017/659-4331

ARE WE GRATEFUL?
(from Mom's stash)

November is the time of year when nature rests and settles in for the winter. Traditionally, it has been noted as the harvest season when the crops are garnered in and the outdoor work is laid aside until the next growing season. The days shorten and the long evenings provide a pleasant time for relaxation and contemplation of all the good things which are ours to enjoy.

Thanksgiving is synonymous with November for Americans. It is a day of family gatherings and fellowship. But Thanksgiving should be much more than a one day observance. It should be an attitude, a way of life. We have so much without effort or even asking – family, friends, food, home, nation, the gifts of nature, sunlight, moonlight, hills, mountains, lakes, oceans, art, literature, music, science and technology with their contribution to our well-being and the opportunities they offer us. This list could be endless

Are we too comfortable? Do we truly realize how fortunate we are? Do we take all these gifts and privileges for granted? With so much of the good things of life, it may become difficult for us to be truly grateful. How cold and insulated we could become without the grace of appreciation.

The cultivation of an abiding spirit of gratitude enriches and uplifts our hearts and minds. When we recognize more fully how fortunate we are, we are blessed with a thankful heart. The thankful heart becomes a happy heart through sharing and feeling.

During this month keep a daily list of things for which you are thankful. I am certain it will be a long one.

Keep gratitude alive in your heart.
Try living on "Thanksgiving Street."
Reckon up your mercies and you
 Will feel an inner kindling of soul.
People will be glad at the sight of you.
And who knows?
Perhaps even the heart of the
Infinite Giver of every good and perfect
 Gift will rejoice.

