



Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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October 11, 2020

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

Choral Call to Worship

"On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand"

Dan Graber and Friends

Welcome & Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Greeting One Another

Opening Hymn

"Blessed Assurance" – MH #544/HWB #332

II. HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:21-26

Sermon

"My Life: A Win-Win Strategy"

Anthem

"Down to the River to Pray"

Bethel College Choir

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- ❖ **Worship Offering – MCC Meat Canning**
- ❖ **Sunday School Offering – Freeman Academy**

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sending Hymn

“I’m Pressing on the Upward Way” – MH #582

Spoken Benediction

Hebrews 13:20-21

Choral Benediction

“Steal Away”

Dan Graber and Friends

Postlude

Worship Leader: Dennis Ries; **Speaker:** Pastor David; **Musicians:** Barb Yoder (piano), **Special Music:** Dan Graber, Jason Douma, Paul Gillaspay, Tim Braithwaite; Bethel College Choir, including Jesse Balzer, Annie, Bailey and Polly Carlson from our congregation.

WORSHIP OFFERING

Worship Offering Next Sunday (10/18)

General Fund

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Offering Next Sunday (10/18)

Swan Lake Christian Camp

THE CHURCH AT WORK

TODAY

With harvest season underway, the special music this morning is taking advantage of the beautiful acoustics in an empty grain bin. The recordings are a unique way to enjoy the harvest blessings.

You will notice that things will be a bit different on Sunday mornings. There will be no greeters or ushers opening doors. You are asked to let yourself in and use the hand sanitizer available in the entry. The next doors will be propped open for you. Please, go directly to the sanctuary paying attention to social distancing. When services are over, dismiss yourselves from back to front. You are asked not to loiter in the narthex but to do your visiting outside.

Please note: The hymns found on YouTube often have different words than are in the hymnals. You might want to consider just following along with what is projected on the screen.

THIS WEEK

Wed. (15th), 7:30 p.m. – Church council Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY, October 18

Nathan Epp, Freeman Academy Head of School will be sharing.

Speaker: Pastor David; **Worship Leader:** Anne Waltner; **Musicians:** Joy Erdman (piano)

COMING EVENTS

October 23 – Fellowship Hall Reserved for Sarah Miller & Curtis Oesch

October 25 – Harvest Mission Festival Sunday

November 2 – Zoom Deacon Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

Pastor David's office hours will be Wednesday – Friday, 9:00 – Noon. These hours will be subject to change. **He welcomes visitors anytime he is here.**

Don Kaufman had a successful eye surgery. He is recovering at home and doing well.

I may have been misleading in my comments about Collin's girls last week. They are available to adopt and for a while Collin was the only person willing to adopt all three girls. At this time, there is another family who has completed their paperwork and home study so that makes 2 families wanting to have them. This process could work quickly or slowly, we have no idea at this time. We just ask for your prayers that they can stay in our family and that Collin can be their forever Dad, but most importantly pray for what is best for the welfare of the girls. Thank you! Marge

Address updates: Strassers, 4227 Stone Point Dr. NE, Rochester, MN 55906

Jake Gross, Dewald St., Apt. #8, Freeman

We will be observing our annual fall Harvest Mission Festival Sunday on October 25! To help make our service extra meaningful, we'd like EVERYONE who has EVER served in some sort of mission capacity - be it with MCC, MVS, SOOP, SALT, or any of the other acronyms! - to submit a picture of yourself in service to the church office. It would be simplest if this could be scanned and sent via email, but if that's not possible, a hard copy will work too. Please submit your photos, along with the location, organization, and year (s) of your service, by October 11. It will be fun to see old and new photos of our members in mission through the years!

It has been suggested that we remember the birthdays of our members who are in care facilities or those who need to stay in their home during this time. Below you will find the October birthdays along with their addresses.

October

1st Vivian Gering, 12001 80th Ave. N, #109, Maple Grove, MN 55369

3rd Dorothy Preheim, 425 S. Juniper St., Apt. #3, Freeman 57029

3rd Shirley Waltner, Salem Mennonite Home, 106 W. 7th St., Freeman 57029

16th Gene Kaufman, Oakview Terrace, PO Box 370, Freeman 57029

COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

Freeman Academy Community Service Day will be held **Friday, October 30**. Students and staff will be available to do leaf raking for persons who need assistance and who live in Freeman. All work is strictly volunteer - NO PAYMENT is accepted. **Please call the school office, 925-4237, October 23 to schedule a job.**

Weekend Position: Freeman Academy is looking for weekend support staff at the dorm. Resident Supervisors work one to two weekends a month for \$100/day. Responsibilities include making one or two meals with student help, being available to residents between meals, and supervising lights-out at bedtime. For more information contact Lynnelle Allison at 605-925-4237 ext. 225.

The Et Cetera Shoppe is facing a serious shortage of adult winter clothing. Generally, as we enter the month of August, our storage room is full of as many as 120 boxes of adult winter clothing. This year we have 34. Starting now and through the month of October, we're encouraging all of our supporters to **"DONATE 8"**! Can you find eight beautiful pieces of clothing in your closet that you never wear anymore? We're looking specifically for clothing purchased within the last 5-10 years, that is in great condition and free of pet hair, odors, stains, holes or pilling. This is a chance to practice first fruits giving!

We are trying our best to follow the guidelines given to us by the MCC Thrift Shop Network and the CDC, so our current practice is to accept donations on Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. If those times are impossible for you, please call the shop at 925-7098 so that we can attempt to work with you to find a way to receive your donation. Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference "in the name of Christ", both locally and around the world!

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am (in person & Zoom) No Sunday School at this time

Office Hours – Wednesday - Friday 9:30-12:30; bulletin deadline – 9:30 a.m. Friday

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