



Salem Mennonite Church

A Congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

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Freeman Academy Musicians

I. GATHERED FOR WORSHIP

Prelude "Prelude to 'Te Deum'" – Charpentier, arr. Smith

Brass Quintet: Areli Cortes & Tyler Brockmueller, trumpets;
Josie Epp, trombone; Titus Roesler, euphonium; Seth Balzer, tuba

Welcome & Invocation

Chamber Choir "I Will Be a Child of Peace" – Elaine Hagenberg

Affirmation of Faith blue HWB #711

Offering MCC Meat Canner
"The Old Rugged Cross" – Bennard, arr. Barnes

Saxophone Quartet:
Ethan Rops, Beau Miller, Gabe Miller, Paul Hoff

Concert Choir "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" – arr. Kyle Pederson
Guitar: Gabe Miller

Ministry Sharing Nathan Epp, FA Head of School

II. RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

Hearing Scripture **John 15**

Pastoral Meditation "As Beloved Friends"

III. RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S LIFE

Congregational Sharing & Prayers

- ❖ In prayer we remember the earthly life of **Fern Goering** (spouse of former pastor, Roland) and the late **Wayne Waltner**; may their families hold firmly to the gifts of God's grace and life in Christ.

- ❖ We give God thanks for the **faith-shaping role of our Anabaptist schools, including Freeman Academy**; may the 76 local students learn from Jesus “to do good and share with others” (Hebrew 13:16).
- ❖ We pray for next Sunday’s **Mission Emphasis guests, Jane & Jerrell Ross Richer** as they prepare to share with us the work the Holy Spirit is doing with Mennonite churches in Ecuador; may our hearts be ignited with curiosity and care for our global sisters and brothers.

IV. SENT TO GLORIFY GOD’S NAME

Sending Song

“He Leadeth Me” blue HWB #599

Spoken Blessing

Postlude

Greeters: Chantel Hofer & Peg Waltner; **Musicians:** Heather Haggerty (organ), Freeman Academy Musicians; **Worship Leader:** Norm Kaufman; **Speaker:** Pastor Nick; **Nursery:** Vernetta Waltner; **Coffee:** South East #19

TODAY’S FA CHOIR MEMBERS

Seniors

Phillip Balzer
 Areli Cortes
 Josie Epp
 Beau Miller
 Thomas Pietrzak-Schroder
 Jaden Rouse
 Kade Rupp

Juniors

Tyler Brockmueller
 Gavin Haggerty
 Angel Hernandez
 Charles Hu
 Gabe Miller
 Beatrice Nelson
 Emberlynn Niemann
 Titus Roesler

Sophomores

Maria Cortes
 Timothy Epp
 Alyssa Fink
 Autumn Hare
 Noah Hofer
 Paul Hoff
 Laura Ilunga
 Aidan Kesteloot
 Samuela Ndongosieme

Freshmen

Angelyn Allison
 Seth Balzer
 Connor Epp
 Jada Koerner
 Ethan Rops
 Autumn Rouse
 Blake Van Ningen

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Adult S.S. Offering Today
 Offering Next Sunday
 Children’s S.S. Offering

Swan Lake Christian Camp
 Salem Mennonite Home
 Yankton Banquet

THE CHURCH AT WORK

TODAY

We welcome all who have come to worship with us this morning! Please take time to greet others, invite them to Sunday school, and grab some coffee.

Freeman Academy's Annual Fall Church Drive begins today. Committee members Brad & Kris Carlson and Paul & Janet Balzer will be available in the narthex to receive your donations. If you would rather mail your donations to the school, self-addressed envelopes are available.

South Church Singers at Oakview Chapel today at 2:30pm. Come practice a few hymns at the fellowship hall piano after S.S. from 11:45 to Noon or simply join us before 2:15 at Oakview.

THIS WEEK

Wed. (23rd), 6:45p.m. – Handbells

8:00 p.m. – Ladies' Ensemble

NEXT SUNDAY, October 27, Mission Festival Sunday

Speaker: Jane Ross-Richer; **Worship Leader:** LaVonne Brockmueller; **Musicians:** Janet Balzer & Barb Yoder (piano), Combined North & South Octet; **Greeters:** Chantel Hofer & Peg Waltner; **Offering:** Ecuador Project (MMN); **Nursery:** Brad Carlson; **Coffee:** South East #19

Mission Emphasis: Sunday School & Potluck Luncheon Oct 27th (see insert) Join the open S.S. session about the Ecuador Partnership in the fellowship hall. Stay for a potluck lunch and afternoon sharing session. We are inviting North Church as well to this lunch, so bring extra food to share as you are able.

COMING EVENTS

October 30 – Chancel Choir Resumes

November 5 – Mission & Service Meeting

November 6 – Youth Supper & Bible Study

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

October 31 is soon here and is the end of church year, if you are chairperson of any ministry team please submit your written report to church office by then. Thank you, Janver Stucky Moderator.

Memorial Portraits for annual All-Saints Sunday, November 3 – In worship we will remember those from our congregation and families who have died. You may bring a portrait of the deceased for the memorial display. Please have the portrait(s) to the church office by next Friday, November 1. On the portrait back please put your name and their name.

Youth and children's Sunday School teachers, mark your calendars for **Tuesday, October 29** and **Thursday, November 21** for two webinars about the Mennonite children's curriculum, *Shine*. For more information or to register see www.centralplainsmc.org/shine-webinar or contact Amanda Bleichty at (319) 325-4522.

We've Been Invited to Visit our Family in MT! White Chapel Mennonite Church in Glendive, MT has invited Salem to send a small delegation to come be hosted and worship together on the weekend of November 9 & 10. White Chapel is relatively new to Central Plains and would like to get to know some of their conference siblings. If you'd like to go on this visit contact Pastor Nick.

Elmer Wall is turning 90 on October 30! We are asking church friends from the places Elmer has served to shower him with birthday cards and notes. Please send a card to: Elmer Wall, 415 Fairview Dr., Goshen, IN 46528

COMMUNITY & BEYOND

Rural Revival will meet at 8:00 p.m., Oct. 28 in the Freeman Public Library. The education topic for this month is the relationship between soil health and human health and how to improve the health of your garden soil.

The annual Swiss Mennonite and Historical Association banquet will be held on November 7 at the Pine Village Wellness Center in Moundridge, KS starting at 6:00 p.m. The cost of the meal is \$20 per plate payable at the door. RSVP by texting or calling Nancy Stucky, 620-532-5693, by November 2. **The featured speaker will be Patricia Goering Smith**, who will talk about her book, *Revolution Revisited: Behind the Scenes in East Germany, 1989*.

The Mennonite Disaster Service Region 3 Annual Meeting will be held on Nov. 8 & 9, 2019 at Faith Mennonite Church, Minneapolis, MN. An invitation with details and registration is available on the south table in the narthex. The information can also be found on this web site: <https://mds.mennonite.net/region-3-annual-meeting-2019/>

Salem Mennonite Home is celebrating 70 years of caring for the elderly in our community with our annual Fall Harvest Festival. Please come join us, Saturday October 26th from 5:30-8:00pm, for an evening of fellowship, food, entertainment, raffles and a silent auction at the Freeman Community Center. Tickets, including raffles can be purchased in our business office, at the door or online saalemennonitehome.com. We hope you can join us!

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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Nick Stoddard, Pastor (nick.southchurch@goldenwest.net) 925-7106/940-7212
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Sunday

October 27

With Jane & Jerrell Ross Richer

Mennonite Mission Network workers
Serving with church leaders in Ecuador's rainforest

1. South Church's Worship Time – 9:30 AM

Jane will share a sermon with South Church, and then travel to North Church's building for their worship time.

2. South Church's Sunday School Hour – 10:45 AM

(In the Fellowship Hall)

All South Churchers are invited to this adult Sunday School session. **Jerrell** will introduce us to the Ecuador Partnership and how the Ross Richer's rainforest work fits.

3. Joint Potluck & Learning – Noon to Early Afternoon

(Hosted by South Church in our Fellowship Hall)

We've invited North Church to join us for the potluck lunch meal which will be followed by an afternoon session of **further sharing from both Jane and Jerrell** and a time for questions.

**Please bring potluck food to share with our Salem-Zion guests!



Introducing the Ross-Richers

Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer serve with Mennonite Mission Network (MMN) during the first half of each year working with indigenous Cofán church leaders in the Ecuadorian rainforest. Their work focuses on creation care, economic justice, inclusion of women and children, youth empowerment and community development initiatives. They are committed to creating deep roots and relationships.

In the second half of each year Jerrell teaches at Goshen College and Jane homeschools their four children, Sierra, Naomi, Teresa, and Jordan. The Ross Richer's home congregation is Waterford Mennonite.

In Ecuador the Ross Richers serve under the umbrella of our "Ecuador Partnership" with the regional Mennonite Church, *Iglesia Cristiana Anabautista Menonita de Ecuador* (ICAME) and with the indigenous conference of churches, *Consejo de Pueblos y Organizaciones Indígenas Evangélicas del Ecuador* (FEINE). This broad Ecuador Partnership includes the congregations of Central Plains Mennonite Conference, as well as MMN, the Colombian Mennonite Church and the Venezuelan Mennonite Church. Some pictures of Jane and Jerrell's work in Ecuador can be found at **www.twowaymission.net**

Further information about our partnership can be found at **www.centralplainsmc.org/ecuadorvenezuela-partnership.html**

