



Salem Mennonite Church

A Congregation of
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 "Allegro" – Böhm
Woodwind Duet: Stefany Cortes, flute and Estelle Waltner, clarinet

Where'er You Walk Handel/arr. Beeler
Brass Quartet: Connor Epp, Liam Ortman, Jayson Allison trombones;
Seth Balzer, tuba

Choral Call to Worship "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" – Kern
Chamber Choir
Anne Waltner, piano; Connor Epp, congas; Alecki Gomez Hofer
& Aryan Saravanan, shaker

Opening Prayer

Special Music "Gather by the River to Pray" – Pepper Choplin
"Cantante Domino" – Mark Hayes
Concert Choir
Sherilyn Ortman, piano

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Freeman Academy Sharing Brad Anderson, Head of School

Special Music "Joshua fit de Battle of Jericho" – Howard Helvey
Tenor/Bass Choir
Sherilyn Ortman & Anne Waltner, piano

II. HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Ephesians 1:1-14

Sermon "Hide & Seek or Lost & Found, Which Is It?"

Hymn of Response "Amazing Grace!" – HWB #143

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- Today's **Worship offering** is for MCC Meat Canning
- Today's **Sunday school offering** is for Salem Mennonite Home
- **Children's Offering** is for Oyate Concern Christian School

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Closing Hymn

"We Gather Together" – HWB #17

Spoken Benediction

Postlude

Greeters: Angie Brockmueller and David Graber; **Musicians:** Barb Yoder (pianist), Freeman Academy Musicians; **Worship Leader:** Kaye Waltner; **Speaker:** Pastor Bob; **Coffee:** North East #18

FA CHOIR MEMBERS

Soprano

Angelyn Allison*
Jada Buse
Arianne Fink
Christian Ortman
Solomon Ortman*
Jessica Paschal*
Autumn Rouse
Estelle Waltner*
Simon Wiersma

Tenor

Jess Bashige
Joshua Cortez
Thomas Ding
Connor Epp
Matthew Hagen
Joshua Janssen
Armando Miller*
Liam Ortman*
Aryan Saravanan

Alto

Ismi Ali
Maddie Anderson*
Stefany Cortez*
Jax Kaufman
Jada Koerner*
Alea Miller
Arianna Miller
Sieta Wiersma

Bass/Baritone

Jayson Allison*
Seth Balzer*
Simeon Eremin
Darion Fore
Aiden Gilbert
David Ilunga
Maddox Kihne
Albert Konlonji
Elishadai Mesfin
Sam Waltner*
Leo Wang

*Chamber Choir member

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.

Freeman Academy's annual fall church drive begins today. Committee members will be available in the narthex to receive your donations.

Bible Study 2-3:30 pm. – We will be listening to Dr. Charles Stanley's message: "When Things Seem Impossible, Timeless Truths"

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

THIS WEEK

Tues. (25th), 7:30 – Deacon Board Meeting

Wed. (26th), 6:30 p.m. – Youth, Handbells; **7:30 p.m.** – Chancel Choir

8:00 p.m. – Interim Team Meeting; **8:30 p.m.** – Ladies' Ensemble

Thurs. (27th), 7:00 p.m. – Congregational Conversations

NEXT SUNDAY, October 30

Speaker: Pastor Jack; **Worship Leader:** Jeri Butkus; **Musicians:** Sharon Waltner (organist); **Greeters:** David & Cindy Graber; **Coffee:** North East #18

Worship offering is for General Fund

Sunday school offering is for Bethany Food Pantry

Children's Offering is for Oyate Concern Christian School

2-3:30 pm. – Bible Study – Hungering & Thirsting for God

COMING EVENTS

November 3 – Church Council Meeting

November 10 – PCRT Meeting

November 14 & 15 – MCC Meat Canner in Freeman

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

Please pray for Derrold Waltner, as he went back to Avera this week because of complications from his surgery.

From the Mission and Service Team: "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".

Written Department Reports for the Annual Meeting booklet are due on or before Sunday, October 30 to Rachel Waltner. This includes all teams falling under our four major departments of Church Operations, Christian Formation, Mission & Service, and Congregational Worship. Please send them to rachelwaltner@yahoo.com in a WORD file document or include in the body of an email.

COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

Rural Revival is meeting on Monday, Oct. 24 at 8:00 P.M. in the Freeman Public Library. All are welcome.

The September edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: Learn about the MDS response to Hurricane Ian in Florida: Volunteers replant trees after the Colorado wildfires; and we have information on the up-coming MDS Annual Celebration in Pennsylvania in February. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3se4Lta>

The annual corporation meeting of the Salem Mennonite Home for the Aged will be held on Tuesday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Activities Area of the Salem Mennonite Home and interested parties are invited to attend. The topics of discussion will include potentially combining the efforts of the Salem Mennonite Home with those of FRHS to meet the present and future health, assisted living and long-term care needs of our community.”

The Salem Mennonite Home for the Aged is a South Dakota nonprofit corporation and operates an assisted living facility located at 106 West 7th Street in Freeman, South Dakota.

Leaf Raking Day on Friday, November 4, 2022: Freeman Academy continues its tradition of community service on Friday, November 4, 2022 by raking leaves for members of the community who need help with fall clean up. Students and staff will bundle up before visiting about 20 yards. To request assistance at your home, please call Sheila Epp at 605-925-4237 x221 and provide your name and address.

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am/ Sunday School – Following Worship
Office Hours – Wednesday - Friday 9:30-12:30; bulletin deadline – 9:30 a.m. Friday
Amy Waltner, Administrative Assistant (southchurch@goldenwest.net) 925-4553
Jack Scandrett, Interim Pastor, 605-679-0258/jackscandrett4@gmail.com
Bob Engbrecht, Pastor 648-3017/659-4331

Questions for Congregational Conversations on October 27th, 7p.m.:

Table Groups:

1. Comment on South's Statement of Purpose: *"The purpose of Salem Mennonite Church is to invite individuals to life in Christ and promote the Kingdom of God through Christian witness and service."*

Specifically, we are asking, how is South Church doing in fulfilling its purpose of inviting individuals to life in Christ, and of witnessing and serving the Kingdom of God? For example, what are the service opportunities South Church participates in, when was the last time the church took in new members? etc.

2. What is South Church's ministry responsibility to the LGBTQAI+ community? What is South Church's ministry obligation to church members who have family and friends in the LGBTQAI+ community?

Open Forum on the questions.

We invite all church members to attend this meeting.

The MCC Meat Canner will be in the Marion / Freeman community again on Nov 14 & 15 to can meat for hungry people in the name of Christ! There are several ways that you can help: 1) volunteer to help with the canning, 2) volunteer to help set up & take down 3) bring food for volunteers and 4) help to host the canner crew.

To help with canning, please sign up on-line for 1 or more shifts of 2-3 hours. Use the link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BADA729A5F5C43-mccmeat> . There are jobs for everyone between the ages of 5 to 95 years. If signing up online is daunting to you, decide when you'd like to work and let Ben Carlson know. He can sign you up each Sunday after worship.

Set-up will take place Saturday, Nov. 12, at 2 pm at the C&B John Deere dealership in Freeman. Take-down will be done on Tuesday afternoon / evening after canning is finished. Call Joey Graber (605) 360-5775 on Tuesday (Nov. 15) to know what time it will be.

The MCC canner crew consists of 4 young men and they will need a place to stay from Saturday evening (Nov 12) through Wednesday morning (Nov. 16). If you can host two of them, someone else can provide for the other two. They will need transportation while here so if you have an extra vehicle for them to use, please contact Ben Carlson.

There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex table for those willing to help supply food for the workers.