



# Salem Mennonite Church

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Mennonite Church USA

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## **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**

“The River is Wide” – arr. R. Powell  
“O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (HWB #110) – arr. P. Manz

**Choral Call to Worship**

“Keep in the Middle of the Road”  
Marles Preheim, director (around 1965)

**Welcome & Call to Worship**

**Opening Prayer**

**Greeting One Another**

**Opening Hymn**

“How Great Thou Art” – MH #535 (vs. 1 & 4)

## **II. HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**Scripture Reading**

**Philippians 1:12-18**

**Sermon**

“The God of My Circumstances”

**Anthem**

“I Waited for the Lord”  
Marles Preheim & John D. Waltner, soloists  
Richard H. Graber, director (date unknown)

## **III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST**

**Announcements & Offerings**

- ❖ **Worship Offering – Mennonite Mission Network**
- ❖ **Sunday School Offering – Oyate Concern School**

**Video**

Mennonite Mission Network - Ecuador

**Congregational Sharing & Prayer**

#### **IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**Sending Hymn**

“Great is Thy Faithfulness” – MH #534

**Spoken Benediction**

Romans 15:13

**Postlude**

Voluntary on “Ein Fest Burg” – arr. G. Young

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**Worship Leader:** Carol Eisenbeis; **Speaker:** Pastor David; **Musicians:** Sharon Waltner (organ), Men’s Choirs (special music)

#### **WORSHIP OFFERING**

Worship Offering Next Sunday (10/4)      Central Plains Mennonite Conference

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING**

Offering Next Sunday (10/4)      Salem Sunday School

#### **THE CHURCH AT WORK**

#### **TODAY, Zoom Only Worship**

**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.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY, October 4**

There will be a time in the service to dedicate Huxley Alan Petersen, son of Brett & Tracy and Cooper Dean Preheim, son of Jarrod & McKayla.

**Speaker:** Pastor David; **Worship Leader:** Everett Waltner; **Musicians:** Debra Schmeichel (organ)

#### **COMING EVENTS**

**October 4** – Fellowship Hall Reserved for Jarrod & McKayla Preheim

**October 7** – Monthly Day of Prayer & Fasting

**October 8** – Mission & Service Meeting

**October 14** – Church council Meeting

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

#### **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.**

**Harvest season is upon us.** Prayer for the farmer’s safety during this busy time.

**Prayer request:** Don Kaufman is suffering with a 4 week long worsening fungal eye infection and ulcer. He must stay indoors and undergo 6-8 weeks treatment, and possible future surgery. Please pray for his healing

**Since it is harvest**, my office hours could be a bit irregular. If you need something from me, please call the office and leave a message, or email the church. I would prefer you **not** call or text my cell. Amy

**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**

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

3<sup>rd</sup> Dorothy Preheim, 425 S. Juniper St., Apt. #3, Freeman 57029

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

16<sup>th</sup> Gene Kaufman, Oakview Terrace, PO Box 370, Freeman 57029

### **COMMUNITY AND BEYOND**

**Rural Revival will meet** September 28 at 8:00 p.m. in the Upper Meeting Room of the Et Cetera Shoppe in Freeman. All are welcome to attend.

**Ministry Opportunity:** The Freeman Academy dorm welcomed students from Congo, China, India, North Dakota, Tennessee, and Washington this year. We have a mission field right here in Freeman! We appreciate your prayers for this ministry as we reflect Christ to these students and their families who aren't necessarily believers. Please consider sharing processed meat, extra eggs or garden and orchard produce. Cooks, we would welcome a hand in the kitchen. Two 9x13 main dishes that can be frozen and thawed out when needed would be great. Weekend and evening support is needed as well. Consider these options: volunteer, parent volunteer with tuition credit, or the paid weekend positions. Know someone who is looking for a relaxed weekend job? Please pass it on! Thank you!

**The Et Cetera Shoppe is currently open** on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:30-3:30 for shopping. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, our back door is open from 9-3 for dropping off donations. We hear requests for more shopping hours, but at this time we don't have enough volunteers to make that very doable. (The COVID pandemic took our list of 29 clerks down to 13, for example!) Would any of you like to join our team during this crazy time?? We have openings for both clerks and pricers. We do require all of our volunteers to wear a mask when in the shop, and we take every precaution we can to keep everything well-sanitized and to maintain good physical distancing. Thank about it, and call the shop at 925-7098 if you'd like to know more.

**Celebrate with us!** Mennonite Central Committee invites you to join **Celebration 2020: MCC at 100**, a livestreamed event commemorating a century of MCC's ministry on Saturday, Oct. 17, starting at 6:50 p.m. (EDT). You can find more information about MCC's centennial and log in for the livestreamed event at [mcc.org/celebration-2020](http://mcc.org/celebration-2020).

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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  
Amy Waltner, Administrative Assistant ([southchurch@goldenwest.net](mailto:southchurch@goldenwest.net)) 925-4553  
David Erdman, Interim Pastor 605 350-7231  
Bob Engbrecht, Pastor 648-3017/659-4331

### **Prayer for the Farmers**

Today, I pray that God would bless our farmers, and keep them safe, especially during harvest time. May their hours of labor continue to be productive and enjoyable on their farms. As they go about their business, may they remember to take the necessary precautions around heavy machinery, so that they can return home safely.

If they encounter unexpected repairs or delays, may God give them the necessary resources to pay for their repairs, and the wisdom to see themselves through any delays, so that they can finish their work.

As consumers, we appreciate how farmers put in long hours, deal with time limits, rain interruptions, and the possibility of frost delays to bring in their harvest.

Every farmer is uniquely gifted and a tremendous blessing to their family, the surrounding community, and consumers around the country.

So, may they stay safe as they work, get rest whenever they feel tired, and may God provide them with a bountiful harvest. Amen.

