



Salem Mennonite Church

A Congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

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September 5, 2021

I. GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

(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

“Toccatina and Fugue in C Minor” — Bach

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Opening Prayer

Anthem

“Through it All” – André Crouch

II. HEARING GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Sermon

“Water from the Rock”

♥ Hymn

“Why Should I Feel Discouraged” – STJ #103

III. RESPONDING TO JESUS CHRIST

Announcements & Offerings

- Today’s **Worship offering** is for Central Plains Mennonite Conference
- Today’s **Sunday school offering** is for Salem Sunday School
- **Children’s Offering** is for Bethany Food Pantry

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

IV. SENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

♥* Sending Hymn

“My Shepherd will Supply my Need” – HWB #589

Spoken Benediction

Postlude

“Allegro Risoluto” — Handel

* Stand if you are able

Greeters: Cindy & David Graber; **Worship Leader:** Brent Brockmueller; **Speaker:** Kate Friesen; **Musicians:** Sharla Unruh (organ); **Special Music:** Barb Tieszen; **Coffee:** Northeast #18

THE CHURCH AT WORK

TODAY

We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning! Coffee is available in the fellowship hall following the worship service.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 12

Speaker: Kate Friesen; **Worship Leader:** Brian & Wendy Miller; **Musicians:** Sharon Waltner (organ); **Greeters:** Cindy & David Graber; **Coffee:** Northeast #18

Worship Offering: General Fund

Sunday school Offering: Oyate Concern Christian School

Children's Offering: Bethany Food Pantry

COMING EVENTS

September 13-18 – Our week to work in the Community Gardens

September 18 & 19 – Women's Retreat at SLCC

SOUTH CHURCH NEWS AND NOTES

Belle Graber wants you to know that the cancer on her tongue is gone and she is cancer free. Praise God!

From the Mission and Service team – As MCC responds to needs around the world in Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Congo and other crisis areas, they need our help in replenishing their supplies of [relief kits and hygiene kits](#). If you would like to help, please bring donations of supplies for relief or hygiene kits to the church. A container and lists of supplies for the kits are located on the table in the narthex. Monetary donations can be given to Chris Eisenbeis earmarked for "MCC kits". We encourage you to shop locally. Thank you!

Thank you again to our church family who graciously took up scoop along with so many important roles in the ice cream booth mid-August! Our youth group is humbled by the outpouring of support we received. When we asked for your assistance with a task that was too large for our small size to handle on our own, you came with a smile and a willingness to serve. Thank you! South Church Youth Group

The trustees are looking for a few volunteers to help with painting some of the ceilings in the parsonage and one SS room in the church. If you are able to help please contact Duane Ries.

The South Church music team is looking for special music for our worship services in September and October. It can be solos and small groups, either vocal or instrumental music. If you have music to share or know of others that could, please talk to Kathy Kleinsasser or anyone from the music team.

Sunday school teachers needed: The Sunday school department is looking for more teachers to lead children's classes! Teachers for the fall quarter are needed for all ages. The sign-up sheet is on the narthex table. Please consider giving your time to this important mission of the church!

COMMUNITY AND BEYOND

Donations to the Et Cetera Shoppe have been slow for the past few weeks. We rely on your donations to stock our shelves and to fill our beautiful updated store. As we transition from summer into fall, consider the following: have you cleaned out your kitchen cabinets lately? Have you been storing fall-themed home décor items that you won't be using? Do you have like-new books in your collection that you're done with? Good-condition toys that your kids have outgrown? Do you have a piece of furniture that you're tired of storing? Is it time for a purge of your sewing and crafting supplies? Is there clothing in your closet that you didn't wear once in the past year? Consider bringing us these items as you do your fall housecleaning – your donations are tax-deductible and help us to remain an exciting store that supports an important mission!

The August 2021 Swan Lake Christian Camp Newsletter is now available at myslcc.com. Hear about our summer and new things coming up in the future.

Join together at the annual Mennonite Women's Retreat this September 18-19 for a time of reflection and leisure. Lodging and meals provided: \$95 for the full weekend, or \$40 for Saturday, \$25 for Sunday. Register by September 13 at: <https://myslcc.com/register/> or call Judy at the camp (605) 326-5690. See the Central Plains Mennonite Women Facebook page for updates and more information on our speaker Kate Friesen.

Rural Revival is sponsoring a vineyard tour at the David and Cindy Graber farm at 43772 283rd St., Freeman, SD on Tuesday, September 7 at 7:00 P.M. All are invited to attend.

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30am (in person & Zoom) Sunday school following
Office Hours – Wednesday - Friday 9:30-12:30; bulletin deadline – 9:30 a.m. Friday
Amy Waltner, Administrative Assistant (southchurch@goldenwest.net) 925-4553
Bob Engbrecht, Pastor 648-3017/659-4331

Prayers for September

Thank you, God, for:

- your love for each one of us and that you have created this body of believers
- your generosity and grace toward a hurting world
- the rain you send to water our crops and to relieve our anxieties for well-being
- our members creating new homes: Charles Graber, Michael Graber, Bethany Miller, Megan Eisenbeis, Katie Kaufman
- doctors, nurses and other caregivers who sacrificially care for us when we are sick
- our schools and for all those who work and learn there
- the safety and shelter of our dwellings
- the fact that we are not the only ones praying
- the gifts and resources of our denomination and regional congregations: SS quarterlies, Bible School materials, hymnals, seminaries, Anabaptist World
- the church around the world, ministering to their communities in a multitude of situations
- the graces of safe travel to visit loved ones and to rest from our work
- for Pastor Bob's service and care for our congregation

And because we are grateful for these things blessing our lives, we pray for:

- those needing to leave home to find safety and shelter, whether it be the Afghanis, Syrians, Congolese
- those affected by destructive weather events, whether it be in Lennox, Louisiana and Mississippi, California, or in Haiti
- those in hospice care: Joann Kaufman, Lefty Ries
- comfort for Arlen Miller's family; thank you for the witness and power of Arlen's life
- for the dorm students at Freeman Academy, far from home and needing to make friends in a new learning environment: thank you for Brad and Elizabeth's parents willing to be dorm parents
- the willingness to care for one another when we have differences of opinion
- the leadership of our congregation
- for Pastor Bob's continuing health and strength