



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

January 16, 2022
You Give Me Drink

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude (hymns based on Isaiah 62) –
In the Heartbeat of the City (VT #530)
Lift Every Voice and Sing (#611) Lisa Kaufman

Welcome and Call to Worship (from Psalm 36) Janelle Ortman
L: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness stretches to the clouds.

P: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep.

L: All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

P: You give them drink from the river of your delights.

L: For with you is the fountain of life.

ALL: In your light, we see light!

Opening Prayer

* Hymn – *O Worship Our God* VT #74

Greeting Each Other and “Passing the Peace”
“The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.”

Lighting the Peace Lamp *Come and Fill Our Hearts* #52

Celebrating our Mission with Mennonite Church USA

Children’s Story Polly Waltner

PROCLAIMING

Hearing the Old Testament Story Isaiah 62:1-3

Song – *For the Healing of the Nations* #705

* Hearing the Gospel John 2:1-11

Sermon – “A New Wine” Corey Miller

RESPONDING

Song – *Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord* #131

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

* Sending Song - *We Shall Overcome* #803

Blessing

Postlude

Church Calendar

Deadline for bulletin submissions is 8:30 p.m. Wednesday; salemzion@gwtc.net

TODAY

Jesus offers new wine at the wedding in Cana. It is a drink that “delights” in the words of the Psalmist. Where are you invited to “taste and see that God is good” in your life? We are delighted that you are with us worshipping our Savior, Lord and Friend, Jesus. Welcome!

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Mennonite Church USA**. Please check out MC USA’s website for extensive information and helpful resources: www.mennoniteusa.org.

9:00 a.m. – Zoom Adult Sunday School

9:30-10:15 a.m. – Jr. Dept. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for adults

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

THIS WEEK

Jan. 19 (Wed) – *Feeding Our Faith* (FOF) with supper and activities planned for all ages. The adult study will focus on “Living and Sharing” the Good News. Supper at 6:00pm and the study begins at 6:45pm.

NEXT SUNDAY – January 23

Next Sunday the theme is “*Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday*.” As we remember the birth of the Anabaptist Church and celebrate who it has become, we will be inspired. The texts are Genesis 12:1-5, Psalm 104, John 20:19-23 and I Corinthians 12:3-13. Pastor Corey will be preaching.

Offering next Sunday will be for **MCC Meat Canning**.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- An energized group gathered on Wednesday night for our Feeding Our Faith kickoff. We ate well, shared about the focus and events for the next two months, enjoyed fellowship, and learned some interesting Salem-Zion trivia!
- Members of the Central Plains Mennonite Conference met last week with our Planning Committee to plan for our conference next summer (June 16-18) right here in Freeman. It takes a community to host a conference, and we’ll be asked to join in with this hosting.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Sharon Schmidt.
- all the people recently in our church and community who have been positive with Covid or who are sick with the flu. While I’m not aware of any hospitalizations, this has certainly been a more stressful week for some.

- Faithful and Peaceful responses to Dr. MLK's vision for a world where people are united in peace instead of separated by racist and segregated attitudes. Pray for courage for us all to speak and act as Christ's peacemakers, living peace, breathing peace, speaking peace and acting peace in Jesus' name.

COVID Team Suggestions: In order to keep everyone safe and reduce the spread of Covid, we encourage everyone to sit in the designated pews (social distancing), wear masks in and out of the sanctuary (and for congregational singing), and use the hand sanitizers when entering and leaving worship. People may remove their masks during the worship time if they feel comfortable. Thank you for your diligence in this matter as well as your grace and patience in this time. - Covid Task Team

Deacon Care Groups: Everyone at Salem-Zion has been assigned to a deacon, who will pray for you and encourage you spiritually. Letters will be sent out (electronically to those with computers) to inform you who your deacon will be. May we all feel the love of community around us.

I want to thank Pastor Corey for his visit and phone calls. And **thank-you to the congregation** for your phone calls and your encouraging get-well and Christmas cards. And a special thank-you to all the Christmas Carolers, those little smiling faces in the front row were such a joy! Thanks again, Sharon Wollmann

Information regarding **Sunday school elective book study options for the spring quarter (March-May)** was distributed recently, and extra copies of the forms are available in the narthex. Please submit your response by January 23.

2022 yearbooks are available in the narthex.

Musicians needed! The Mennonite Women's Retreat is scheduled for September 17-18, 2022 and this year South Dakota women are asked to provide the music. This responsibility requires choosing and leading music/hymns for Saturday (2-3 sessions) and Sunday morning worship. Accompaniment is often on keyboard &/or guitar (or your instrument of choice) in the retreat center at Swan Lake Christian Camp. If you're interested but have questions, or you're ready to volunteer, please contact Charity Ortman (574) 238-0692.

Stories help us to know who and whose we are. Join us for some Anabaptist stories this Thursday (January 20) at 6:00pm for an all-ages story-hour. Bring your Bible for the scripture reading and finish the night with a hands-on activity using household objects. This series is for all ages from toddler to elder! You can find the Zoom link on our website, **www.centralplainsmc.org**.

Community Connections

The **Rural Revival** monthly meeting will be on January 24 at 8 pm in the Freeman Public Library, downtown Freeman.

Freeman Academy is seeking a new Head of School to begin in summer of 2022. This individual will provide educational and spiritual leadership for a K-12 Mennonite school and daycare program, which has a strong fine arts tradition and rich history of serving the church and community. To learn more, please visit freemanacademy.org/employment.

God's Peace at Work: ... There are certain things in our nation and in the world (about) which I am proud to be maladjusted and which I hope all men of good-will will be maladjusted until the good societies realize. I never intend to become adjusted to segregation and discrimination. I never intend to become adjusted to religious bigotry. I never intend to adjust myself to economic conditions that will take necessities from the many to give luxuries to the few, leave millions of God's children smothering in an air tight cage of poverty in the midst of an affluent society. I never intend to adjust myself to the madness of militarism, to self-defeating effects of physical violence.

I'm ... convinced ... that men and women will be as maladjusted as the prophet Amos, who in the midst of the injustices of his day could cry out in words that echo across the centuries, '*Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream.*' - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Western Michigan University, December 18, 1963

"As followers of Jesus Christ, our purpose is to live and share the good news of Christ's Kingdom, welcoming all as we worship, study, fellowship and serve others together." - Salem-Zion Mennonite Mission Statement 2015

Zoom Adult Sunday School

<https://zoom.us/j/97667382194?pwd=NHNieHZ6a29ZMGpZSHJpczlibUxtdz09>; Meeting ID: 976 6738 2194; Passcode: 523139

Livestream link for Sunday morning worship

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCX8KyFIZChK0Ef-rIBAaS3A>

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