



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

January 30, 2022

*Called by God*

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude		Austin Unruh
Welcome and Call to Worship	VT #851	Malynda Penner
Opening Prayer		
* Hymn - <i>I Owe the Lord a Morning Song</i>		#496
Greeting Each Other and "Passing the Peace"		
<i>"The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you."</i>		
Lighting the Peace Lamp	<i>God of Peace and Justice</i>	#711
Celebrating our Mission with Salem Mennonite Home		
Children's Story	I Corinthians 13:1-13	Sheila Epp

## PROCLAIMING

Hearing the Old Testament Story		Jeremiah 1:4-10
Special Music - <i>No Longer Slaves to Fear</i>		#195
Marnette Hofer and Kelsey Pidde		
* Hearing the Gospel		Luke 4:21-30
Sermon - "I am only a child"		Corey Miller

## RESPONDING

Song - <i>Here I Am, Lord</i>		#545
Sharing & Congregational Prayer		Polly Waltner
* Sending Song - <i>I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say</i>		#536
Blessing		
Postlude		

## Church Calendar

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

### TODAY

God has always called people to serve. Sometimes we make excuses (like Jeremiah) and sometimes we are ready (like Jesus). Sometimes the calling is joyous and sometimes it brings persecution. As God calls each of us, we trust that God will bear fruit through us for the Kingdom. Welcome to our worship!

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Salem Home** and their recent renovation projects.

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

**Feb. 2 (Wed)** - *Feeding Our Faith* (FOF) with supper and activities planned for all ages. The adult study will focus on "**Serving**." Supper at 6:00pm and the service projects begin at 6:45pm. We will be packaging goodies for college aged students and tying comforters with Rosella Schwartz!

### NEXT SUNDAY - February 6

Next Sunday is the first Sunday in February. Throughout the month, our worship will focus on the inspiring message of **I John**. We invite you to read over this letter prayerfully and to bring your Bibles to worship as we learn and grow together. Our theme is "*God is Light*." The scriptures are I John 1:5-2:17 and Pastor Corey will be preaching.

Offering next Sunday will be for the **Household Treasury**.

## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

### Happenings over the past week:

- Melissa (Ken and Mary's daughter) and husband Chris were able to return to their home on Wednesday and continue her recovery there. Thanks be to God for all the ways that Melissa and her family have felt prayed over in these past weeks.

### Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Cody Schrag.  
- our church as we continue to ponder our mission, particularly as to how we "*live and share the good news of Christ's kingdom*" and as we "*welcome all*."

- our young families as they juggle parenting, work and tending to their relationships.
- those who find the winter to be long and monotonous. Pray for God's light to shine into their lives.
- those who volunteer as leaders in our conference serving on various committees and boards such as the Conference Board, the Christian Formation Committee, Pastoral Leadership Committee, Outreach and Service Committee, Stewardship Task Force, Shalom Readers Club, Peace and Justice task group and all other conference volunteers. We give thanks for those who are willing to serve!

**Endowment Fund proceeds** are again available (twice yearly) to fund initiatives you may have to further the work of God's Kingdom here & now. What a joyful occasion! Approximately \$3700 or less can be solicited from Outreach & Service Committee for a ministry, existing or new, that is not covered by our yearly budget. For a request form and more information, speak with Tim Eisenbeis by Jan 31, 2022.

Congratulations to Liz, Jonathan and Josephine Graber on the arrival of Isaac James! As a church, let's show them our love and support by **supplying some meals** for them. To arrange a time to take a meal, contact Liz at 605-660-6948. If she can't answer her phone right away, leave a message and try again later. Please, no mushrooms!!

Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for a letter from the **White River Cheyenne Mennonite Church**.

Mennonite Church USA is holding a Special Session of the Delegate Assembly in Kansas City from May 27 – 30, 2022. At this gathering, the delegates will vote on a resolution to retire the Membership Guidelines as the active polity in Mennonite Church USA. In anticipation, Central Plains Mennonite Conference has appointed a Faith, Life, and Procedures Team to help inform and equip our congregations and delegates in preparation for the Special Session. The FLP Team has created a webpage (<http://www.centralplainsmc.org/mc-usa-delegate-resources.html>) that will serve as a resource hub designed to help Central Plains congregations and delegates discern the resolution. **Salem-Zion is seeking delegates for this Special Session.** Please talk to one of the deacons if you are interested or have further questions.

Have the winter blues got you down? Consider attending one of the **webinars offered by the Christian Formation Committee of CPMC** called "Season of Stories." This season you can meet with other creative types and explore God's gift of creativity (Making Space, second Thursdays @ 7:00), hear modern and

historic Anabaptist stories and connect them to your own life (Anabaptist Stories for all ages, third Thursdays @ 6:00) or practice a contemplative Anabaptist-style spiritual practice (Meditations on Word and Art, Mondays during Lent @ 7:00)! Find out more about each webinar and get the zoom links on our website, [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org).

Please be in touch with Lisa in the church office ([salemzion@gwtc.net](mailto:salemzion@gwtc.net); 605-951-1871) if you'd like to be added to the church email list or would like a church mailbox. Also, yearbook updates will be placed in our monthly newsletter, so **please share updated contact information throughout the year**. Thank you!

**God's Peace at Work:** *"I have said this to you, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!"* - Jesus, John 16:33

Praying our Mission:  
 "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."

**Zoom Adult Sunday School**  
<https://zoom.us/j/97667382194?pwd=NHNieHZ6a29ZMGpZSHJpczlibUxtdz09>; Meeting ID: 976 6738 2194; Passcode: 523 139  
**Livestream link for Sunday morning worship**  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCX8KyFIZChK0Ef-rlBAaS3A>

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