



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

27844 443rd Ave. Freeman, SD 57029
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October 14, 2018

Faith and Works Dance Together

“So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.” – James 2:17

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Draw Me Nearer* arr. Billingsley
Welcome and Lighting Peace Lamp Nick Schrag
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

PRAISING GOD

* Gathering Song – *Come, we that love the Lord* HWB #14
Greetings and Announcements
Children’s Story Charity Ortman
Offering our gifts – Mennonite Church USA
Offertory Prayer
Offertory – *Day By Day* arr. Courtney
Special Music – *Screen Door* Rich Mullins

HEARING GOD’S WORD

Hearing the New Testament James 1:22-25, 2:14-26
Sermon – “A Faith that Works” Corey Miller

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Song – *O breathe on me, O breath of God* SJ #46
Receiving New Members:
Lillie Eisenbeis – joining as associate member
Liz Graber – transferring from St. Benedicts Catholic Church, Yankton, SD
Tina Graber – transferring from Bethel College Mennonite, N. Newton, KS
Austin Unruh – joining as associate member
Sharing and Congregational Prayer Tim Graber
* Sending Song – *Come, come, ye saints* HWB #425
* Benediction
Postlude – *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* arr. Doran

* Congregation please stand. If standing is difficult, please remain seated.

The peace lamp is lit weekly as a reminder that there is violence and suffering in the world. We as a faith community pray for peace for all people and look for ways to be active in peacemaking and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

Faith and Works go together, like Mennonites and singing. James invites us to ponder how our faith forms our lives and how our deeds reflect the faith that is alive within us. We are so glad you have decided to worship with us. Welcome!

Greeters: Matt & Digna Miller family; **Pianist:** Mavis Ortman; **Special Music:** Ladies Choir; **Nursery Care:** Charity & Paul Ortman

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School
10:10 a.m. – Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

“Celebrating Giving”

This morning we are receiving an offering for Mennonite Church USA. This offering will be used to assist in meeting their operating budget.

NEXT SUNDAY – October 21

Next Sunday we will continue our theme of “Becoming Mature” by reflecting “*Words that Lift Up*.” The texts are James 1:19-21; 3:1-12 and Pastor Corey will be preaching.

Greeters: Linda and Steve Graber; **Organist:** Ken Mannes; **Special Music:** Freeman Academy; **Offering:** Household Treasury; **Nursery Care:** Lacey & Lance Friesen

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 21 – Over 80’s Tea at Tieszen Home from 3-5 p.m.

Oct. 27-28 – Harvest Mission Festival with Joe Sawatzky from Mennonite Mission Network

Nov. 4 – Annual Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner

Nov. 11 – Over 80’s Tea at Dewald Village from 3-5 p.m.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- Tim Limberhand had successful surgery on his fractured hip on Monday and was hoping to be released from Avera Hospital by the end of the week. LeRoy and Janette, together with Tim and his wife, are planning to drive back to Lame Deer on Saturday.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Verda Schrag.
- Tim Limberhand as he recovers from his surgery and that healing comes to his body.

Remember to thank God for:

- all the opportunities to offer works, deeds or service that stem from a faith that is alive, vibrant and responsive.

Grace is offered! There is more time to write a devotional. Thank you so much for submitting your devotionals for our booklet on our Top 14 Scripture passages. The good news is that you still have time to submit one to Corey and he will be glad to receive it. Grace is such a wonderful thing!

Tea and Cookies for Over 80's Group: The deacons are planning two "Tea and Cookies" parties for our SZ folks who are over 80. On **October 21st** we will host a tea at the Tieszen Home in Marion from 3-5pm and on **November 11th** we will host a tea at the Dewald Village community room also from 3-5pm. Invitations have been sent out.

Harvest Mission Festival: On **October 27th**, our harvest mission speaker Joe Sawatzky will be speaking at the Freeman Arboretum at 9:00am. This presentation is for our 60 years and older group from both the North and the South churches. We will be providing cinnamon rolls and fruit for this event and there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for you to offer any items for this day.

To assist the Limberhand family with expenses after Tim's accident we will be receiving a free will offering. Please put any gifts in the wooden box in the Narthex. If you make out a check please make it out to Salem-Zion and we will send the money to the family. The box will be up today and next Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

Guess who's Coming to Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, November 4. You are invited to sign up as host or guest for the noon meal. Hosts may choose the number of guests they wish to entertain and provide the main dish. Guests will be assigned either a salad or a dessert for a given number of people. Both hosts and guests will receive their assignments one week in advance. Please sign up for this special time of fellowship. The sign up sheet is posted on the board in the narthex. Deadline for signing up is October 21.

- The Hospitality Committee

The household treasury finished the month of September with a deficit of (\$13,961.71). Monthly expenses usually vary from \$12,000 to \$14,000. In order to close the fiscal year in the black on October 31, the household treasury will need receipts this month to be about \$26,000 to \$28,000. The October 21 offering is the final offering of this fiscal year for the household treasury. Thank you for the support you have already given and please consider what you might be able to contribute on October 21 to enable the household treasury to finish the year on Oct. 31 in the black. The household treasury pays salaries, utilities, maintenance, Sunday School materials, and other operating expenses of the church. – The Trustees

Salem-Zion's annual business meeting is scheduled for November 18 at 12:30 p.m. In order to prepare and distribute the annual business meeting agenda, **reports will need to be turned in to the church office by Nov. 5.**

Freeman Academy's Annual Fall Church Drive will begin on Oct. 21 when the students share music during the worship service. During this traditional harvest season, we invite alumni and friends of Freeman Academy to consider a gift for the school's general fund. Help us surpass this year's goal of \$50,000! Stewart Graber and Kyle Waltner will be available at a table in the narthex on Oct. 21 and Oct. 28 to receive your donations. If you are not in church those Sundays and would like to participate, self-addressed envelopes are available on the narthex table for your convenience.

Community Connections

The Freeman Academy Music Department will present their Fall Concert Thursday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. in Pioneer Hall. A variety of music will be performed by the Vocal Department (grades 4-12) and the Instrumental Department including the Concert Band (grades 7-12) and the High School Jazz Band.

The MDS Region 3 annual meeting will be held on October 26 and 27 at Swan Lake Christian Camp and Retreat. Information & registration forms are available in the narthex. Registration & fees are due to Duane Tieszen by Oct. 15.

Salem Mennonite Home of Freeman will be hosting their 2nd Annual Fall Harvest Festival on October 20 at the Freeman Community Center from 5:30-8:30pm. A full meal, raffles, silent auction and musical entertainment by Grace Notes, featuring Dan and Julie Aughenbaugh at 6:30pm. Tickets can be purchased on the website (sailemmennonitehome.com) or at local

banks, Jamboree Foods or the SMH business office. Donations can also be made at the business office or mailing to: 106 W 7th St. Freeman, SD 57029.

Freeman Academy Community Service Day will be held **Friday, November 2**. Students and staff will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to do leaf raking for persons who need assistance with strenuous work and who live in Freeman. All work is strictly volunteer - **NO PAYMENT** is accepted for the work. **Please call the school office, 925-4237, by noon October 30 to schedule a job.**

Practicing the Peace of Christ:

The Christian faith, while wildly misrepresented in so much of American culture, is really about death and resurrection. It's about how God continues to reach into the graves we dig for ourselves and pull us out, giving us new life, in ways both dramatic and small.

- Nadia Bolz-Weber

SCREEN DOOR by Rich Mullins

It's about as useless as a screen door on a submarine;
faith without works, sister, it just ain't happenin'.
One is your left hand, one is your right.
It'll take two strong arms to hold on tight.
Some folks cut off their nose just to spite their face,
I think you need some works to show for your alleged faith.

Well, there's a difference you know b'tween havin' faith and playin'
make believe;
one will make you grow, the other one just make you sleep.
Talk about it, but I really think you oughtta take a leap off of the ship
before you claim to walk on water.
Faith without works, like a song you can't sing,
it's about as useless as a screen door on a submarine.

Faith comes from God, and ev'ry word that He breathes
he lets you take it to your heart so you can give it hands and feet.
It's gotta be active if it's gonna be alive.
You gotta put it into practice; otherwise

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it's about as useless as a screen door on a submarine.
Faith without works, brother, it just ain't happenin'.
One is your right hand, one is your left.
It's your light, your guide, your life and your breath.
Faith without works is like a song you can't sing.
It's about as useless as a screen door on a submarine.

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