



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

Harvest Mission Festival October 16, 2022

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*
Brick Church (settings by Robert Hebble) Ken Mannes

Welcome Nathan Epp

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship Isaiah 52:7
L: How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the messengers

P: Who proclaim peace,
L: Who bring good news,
P: Who proclaim salvation,
L: Who say to Zion,
P: “Your God reigns!”

Opening Prayer

* Hymn – *We Praise Thee, O God* VT #91

Greeting one another “*Peace be with you.*” “*And also with you.*”

Children’s Story Sheila Epp

Celebrating our Offerings – Freeman Academy

PROCLAIMING

Hearing the New Testament Romans 10:12-15

Hymn – *God Loves All His Many People* VT #767

* Hearing the Gospel Luke 10:1-6

Sermon Wendell Gehman

RESPONDING

Song – *In Christ There Is No East or West* VT #390

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

* Sending Song – *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* VT #419

* Blessing

Postlude – *Allegro Maestoso, from Sonata II* (Felix Mendelssohn)

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

On this Harvest Mission Festival, we celebrate how God continues to invite us to share Christ’s Good News with all. Today we welcome Wendell Gehman from the Oyate Concern Christian School at Pine Ridge to the pulpit. Following our worship service, we are invited to the South Church for a noon meal and more conversations with Wendell.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Freeman Academy**.

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

2:00 p.m. – Fuente de Vida church service

7:00 p.m. – Swiss Choral rehearsal at Salem-Zion

THIS WEEK

Oct 19 (Wed) – Youth Group at 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 21 (Fri) – Fuente de Vida church service at 7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY – Oct. 23

Next Sunday the theme is “A Bold and Humble Witness.” The scripture texts are Psalm 65, Joel 2:23-32 and Luke 18:9-14. Pastor Corey will be preaching and the students from Freeman Academy will be sharing their gifts of music.

Next week the offering is for **Mennonite Mission Network**.

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 30 – Sunday Evening Fellowship social gathering from 4-7pm

Nov. 6 – Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner

Nov. 14&15 – MCC Meat Canning

Nov. 20 – Annual Business Meeting (please submit reports to the church office by November 4)

Dec. 1 – Yearbook deadline

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- Ruby Waltner was able to return back to Tieszen Home on Monday.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Eva Goosen.

- Hayva Larson (Ted and Diane Ellinger’s granddaughter) and her family as she receives treatment in Wisconsin these days.

- our sister churches in Nebraska: Beemer, Bellwood, Bethesda, First Mennonite of Lincoln, Milford, Salem in Shickley, Wood River, and the

Omaha Chin Christian Church, and pray also for the informal gathering of Mennonites in Omaha.

Freeman Academy's annual fall church drive will begin Sunday, October 23rd. Students will share music and Head of School, Dr. Brad Anderson, will provide a school update. During this harvest season, we are grateful to the alumni and friends of Freeman Academy and ask you to consider making a gift to the school's general fund. Committee members will be available at a table on Oct. 23rd and Oct. 30th to receive your donations. If you are not in church those Sundays and would like to participate, self-addressed envelopes will be available on a table for your convenience or you can make your donation online at freemanacademy.org.

We are having a **card shower** for Brittany Oman, who is engaged to Jordan Dick. Please sign the card in the narthex today. There is a basket if you wish to contribute to the monetary gift.

The Sunday Evening Fellowship Committee is hosting a social gathering at church on **Sunday, October 30th from 4-7pm**. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those willing to bring a side dish or s'more fixings. Please bring a lawn chair to enjoy a bonfire outdoors, weather permitting. Everyone is welcome!

Service and Outreach to the Freeman Academy Dorm

We are blessed to have students and their supervisors from the FA Dorm worshipping with us again this year. We recognize the important role the dorm plays in the life of Freeman Academy and in broader community diversity. Here are several ways we can support the boarding program as a church body:

Sign up to host a noon meal. Once a month, S-Z families have the opportunity to fellowship with students over lunch following the service. One or two families may sign up together. A sign-up sheet with more details is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Consider Donating Food. Cooking for the dorm requires a lot of grocery shopping! Donations of food items or prepared meals are always appreciated. Meat, potatoes, and fresh fruit are highly valued. Contact Carol to arrange a time to drop donations off at Frontier Hall, or give food items to Lillie Eisenbeis and she will deliver them for you.

Take Students on an Outing. For families looking for a more fun and interactive opportunity to connect with students, consider hosting a weekend activity. Ideas include: skating, sledding, bowling, eating at an ethnic restaurant, going to a college sports event, agritourism, etc. The Service and Outreach Committee has some funds to assist with outings-contact Lillie for more information. Contact Carol Harder (605-744-9957) to arrange plans.

Serving each other in love! Please take a gander at the bulletin board to volunteer your own name for ways to serve each other here at Salem-Zion. The service opportunities vary from organizing Valentine boxes to serving in the kitchen. If you aren't on other committees it's an easy way to dip your toe in the water. Terms are only one year.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, November 6. 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 bulletin board in the narthex. Deadline for signing up is October 23.

- The Hospitality Committee

Living 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."

Community Connections

Come sing with the **Swiss Choral Society** as we prepare Part I of *The Messiah!* Rehearsals start today, Sunday, October 16th at 7:00pm at Salem-Zion Mennonite (North) Church. Feel free to bring your own score and we will have extras if needed. Please invite anyone high-school aged and older to come sing! Contact swisschoral@gmail.com with questions.

Freeman Academy's Fall Concert will be held Friday, October 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pioneer Hall gymnasium. A variety of music will be presented. Please join us! - Dr. Rolf Olson and Donna Ries

The annual corporation meeting of the **Salem Mennonite Home for the Aged** will be held on Tuesday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Activities Area of the Salem Mennonite Home and interested parties are invited to attend. The topics of discussion will include potentially combining the efforts of the Salem Mennonite Home with those of FRHS to meet the present and future health, assisted living and long-term care needs of our community. The Salem Mennonite Home for the Aged is a South Dakota nonprofit corporation and operates an assisted living facility located at 106 West 7th Street in Freeman, South Dakota.

Leaf Raking Day on Friday, November 4, 2022: Freeman Academy continues its tradition of community service on Friday, November 4, 2022 by

raking leaves for members of the community who need help with fall clean up. Students and staff will bundle up before visiting about 20 yards. To request assistance at your home, please call Sheila Epp at 605-925-4237 x221 and provide your name and address.

MCC Buckets of Thanks: This Thanksgiving season, show your gratitude and provide hope to those in need by collecting relief supplies for MCC. The supplies you donate will fill a Bucket of Thanks (aka an MCC relief kit) for people affected by conflict or disaster around the world. For more information, including supply lists and a ready-to-use curriculum for children, visit: mccbuckets.org.

Sharing Christ: “The church meets to imagine what our lives can be like if the gospel were true.” -Walter Brueggemann

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