



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

*Glorifying God Through Music*  
October 30, 2022

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

- Prelude – *Jesus, lover of my soul* (Emma Lou Diemer)  
*Now thank we all our God* (Paul Manz) Ken Mannes
- Welcome Jay Penner
- Lighting the Peace Lamp
- Call to Worship From Psalm 150 helpers
- \* Hymn – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (verse 4 in unison) VT #88
- Opening Prayer
- \* Hymn – *When in Our Music God Is Glorified* VT #83
- Greeting one another “*The Peace of Christ be with you.*” “*And also with you.*”
- Children’s Story Sherilyn Ortman
- Celebrating our Offerings – MCC for Ukraine

## PROCLAIMING

- Hearing the New Testament Colossians 3:12-17
- Hymn – *Could It Be That God Is Singing* VT #42
- \* Hearing the Gospel Matthew 26:26-30
- Sermon – “God’s Gift of Music” Corey Miller

## RESPONDING

- Special Music – “Ruby’s Song” recording
- Sharing and Congregational Prayer
- \* Sending Song – *My Life Flows On* VT #605
- Blessing
- Postlude – *Holy God, we praise your name* (Paul Manz)

## Church Calendar

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

### TODAY

Music is God’s good gift to humanity. Through music and song, we are blessed to feel and experience the wonder of God’s healing, saving, and comforting love. Today, we joyfully gather to worship God through our music and the music that sister Ruby Waltner has offered for so many years. Welcome to worship as we “*make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!*” (Psalm 95). The offering that we are celebrating today is for Mennonite Central Committee’s work in Ukraine.

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

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

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

**4:00-7:00 p.m. – SEF social gathering:** Please bring a lawn chair to enjoy a bonfire outdoors, weather permitting. Everyone is welcome!

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

### THIS WEEK

**Nov. 2 (Wed)** – Youth Group at 6:30 p.m.

**Nov. 2 (Wed)** – Chancel choir rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

**Nov. 4 (Fri)** – Annual meeting reports due

**Nov. 4 (Fri)** – Fuente de Vida church service at 7:00 p.m.

### NEXT SUNDAY – Nov. 6

Next Sunday the theme is “*Remembering our Friends.*” The scripture texts are Psalm 24, Isaiah 25:6-9, Revelation 21:1-6 and John 11:32-44. Pastor Corey will be preaching and we will remember our dear friends from Salem-Zion who passed away in this past year. Next week the offering is for the Household Treasury.

### COMING EVENTS

**Nov. 6** – Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner at noon; Covid Memorial Service at Historic Bethel Church at Museum at 3:00 p.m.

**Nov. 8** – Worship Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Nov. 14** – Administrative Board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Nov. 14&15** – MCC Meat Canning

**Nov. 16** – Youth Group at 6:30 p.m.

**Nov. 20** – Annual Business Meeting at 12:30 p.m.

**Dec. 1** – Yearbook deadline

## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

### Happenings over the past week:

- Our neighbor and friend Don Waltner had some health issues this past week that needed attention. Continue to keep Don and Sonya and their family in your prayers in these days.

- Gentle rains kissed the dry ground on Thursday morning. While it caused a pause in the harvest, the good earth was celebrating with joy!

**Remember to pray for:**

- those who cannot be here today: Mary Schmidt.
- Don Waltner and his recent health needs.
- those who struggle with mental health, depression and anxiety because of the shorter days, difficult work situations, and a host of other factors. Pray that God's light will help in the darkness.
- Ruby Waltner as she has blessed our congregation throughout so many seasons with the gift of music.
- Fernando Ramos, pastor of Casa de Oracion Emanuel in Davenport, IA, who is being ordained today.

**Spiritual Formation Sheets:** If anyone wishes to visit with Pastor Corey about their faith formation, questions they are struggling with, or faith that is growing in joy, you are most welcome to make an appointment and visit him in his office.

GUESTS AND HOSTS participating in **Guess Who's Coming for Dinner** next Sunday, November 6, please pick up your assignments TODAY from your mailboxes.

Please help yourselves to the discarded **children's books** on the table in the narthex. They will be removed after November 6.

Salem-Zion's **fiscal year** ends tomorrow, October 31. Once again, we are so grateful for all the ways that you have given faithfully over this past year to support the many ministries that are important to Salem-Zion's mission. Thank you so much for your generosity!

**Chancel choir rehearsals** will begin on Wednesday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. Youth and adults are encouraged to join this music ministry to prepare for a choirs Christmas program scheduled for Sunday evening, December 18, at 7:30 p.m.

**October Household Treasury Report** – Income: \$26,100.30; Expenses: \$9,489.18; Balance: \$12,136.25.

**October Offerings & Gifts:** Household Treasury - \$26,100.30; Bearcat Avenue - \$1,789.00; Student Tuition Sharing Fund - \$2,665.00; Deacon Sharing Fund - \$1,815.00.

The November church **newsletter** is available on the table in the narthex.

**Joining Voices Together.** On Saturday, November 12, Bethel College is hosting a symposium on *Voices Together*. The event will include sessions led by members of the hymnal committee, as well as a community hymn sing. More information is posted in the narthex. The church will cover the cost of registration; anyone interested in attending should contact Lisa at salemzion@gwtc.net. It would be great to find a few representatives to bring home ideas to help us continue to explore and enjoy this new resource!

The **MCC Meat Canner** will be in the Marion/Freeman community again on Nov. 14 & 15 to can meat for hungry people in the name of Christ! To help with canning, please sign up on-line for 1 or more shifts of 2-3 hours at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BADA729A5F5C43-mccmeat> If signing up online is daunting to you, decide when you'd like to work and let Tim Eisenbeis know. He can sign you up each Sunday after worship. Set-up will take place Saturday, Nov. 12, at 2 pm at the C&B John Deere dealership in Freeman. Take-down will be done on Tuesday afternoon/evening after canning is finished. Call Joey Graber (605) 360-5775 on Tuesday (Nov. 15) to know what time it will be. To help supply lunch food for volunteers, sign up at church in the narthex or talk with Charity Ortman. The MCC canner crew consists of 4 young men and they will need a place to stay from Saturday evening (Nov. 12) through Wednesday morning (Nov. 16). If you can host two of them, someone else can provide for the other two. They will need transportation while here so if you have an extra vehicle for them to use, please contact Joey Graber or Tim Eisenbeis (605) 659-4311.

If you lost a loved one to Covid from 2020 until now, you are invited to a **memorial service** on November 6 at 3:00 p.m. at Bethel Church at the Heritage Hall Museum complex in Freeman. All Saints Day and November as Thanksgiving month seems like a fitting time to remember the friends and loved ones that we lost to the Covid pandemic. We want to give thanks to the Creator and remember by name the people we lost and miss. The sponsors of the service are Freeman Ministerium and the Freeman Network for Justice and Peace. Planners of the service are Lois Janzen Preheim and Barbara Tieszen. Persons from the Ministerium and the Network will be participants in the service. Since we would like to speak your loved one by name, please e-mail their name and date of death to loisjp@gwtc.net.

**God calls us to Peace:** We could not become like God, so God became like us. God showed us how to heal instead of kill, how to mend instead of destroy, how to love instead of hate, how to live instead of long for more. When we nailed God to a tree, God forgave. And when we buried God in the ground, God got up. - Rachel Held Evans

**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.”

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