



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

27844 443rd Ave. Freeman, SD 57029
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November 18, 2018

Weeping Rich

“Your riches have rotted...” – James 5:2

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Now Thank We All* arr. Burkhardt
Welcome and Lighting Peace Lamp Janette Epp
Opening Prayer

PRAISING GOD

* Gathering Song – *For the fruit of all creation* HWB #90
Greetings and Announcements
Children’s Story Lillie Eisenbeis
Offering our gifts – Tuition Sharing Fund
Offertory Prayer
Offertory – *Awake, My Heart, with Gladness* arr. Peeters

HEARING GOD’S WORD

Hearing the Old Testament and Gospel Isaiah 58:6-9a, Matthew 6:19-21,24
Special Music – *He Who Gives to the Poor* Jean Berger
Hearing the New Testament James 5:1-6
Sermon – “Rotting Riches” Corey Miller

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Song – *We give thee but thine own* HWB #384
Sharing and Congregational Prayer
* Sending Song – *Lord, let us now depart in peace* HWB #428
* Benediction
Postlude – *A Mighty Fortress* arr. Held

* 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 1:30 p.m. Tuesday; salemzion@gwtc.net

TODAY

James touches on the timeless temptation of hoarding wealth to ourselves. James invites us all to cultivate a culture of generosity as we respond to injustices in the world. Your presence adds to our joy in this worship time. We are so glad that you are here.

Greeters: Burton & Eileen Kaufman; **Organist:** Ruby Waltner; **Special Music:** Chancel Choir; **Nursery Care:** Charity Ortman & Kyle Waltner

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School
10:10 a.m. – Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
Noon – Meal hosted by Youth Group and Annual Business Meeting to follow at 12:30 p.m.

“Celebrating Giving”

This morning we will be receiving the offering for the tuition sharing fund. This fund helps families lower the cost of sending students to Mennonite Education institutions. Thank you for supporting our schools and families.

Today – Noon Meal hosted by the Youth Group with donations going to support “Hand in Hand”, a ministry that provides advocacy and legal representation to unaccompanied children and their families in immigration court. You can make checks out to Salem-Zion youth and earmark it Hand in Hand.

THIS WEEK

Nov. 21 (Wed) 7:00 p.m. – Children’s choir rehearsal
7:00 p.m. – Chancel choir rehearsal
Nov. 22 (Thurs) 10:30 a.m. – Joint Thanksgiving Day worship service at Salem Mennonite

NEXT SUNDAY – November 25

Next Sunday we will conclude our theme in James “*Becoming Mature.*” The focus of the morning is “*Prayers of the Faithful*”, the texts are James 5:13-20 and Pastor Corey will be preaching. We will also be having a child dedication service in our worship time.

Greeters: Elmer and Judy Gross; **Organist:** Dan Graber; **Special Music:** Chancel Choir; **Offering:** Shalom Mennonite Church, Eau Claire, WI; **Nursery Care:** Lance Friesen and Malynnda Penner

COMING EVENTS

- Nov. 25 – Child Dedication at Salem-Zion
- Nov. 25 – Christmas Eve program practice at Salem-Zion: Sack lunch from 12-12:30 and practice from 12:30-2:00 p.m.
- Nov. 25 – Free Supper for farmers and farm related persons at 6:00 p.m.
- Dec. 1 – Deadline for submitting information for the 2019 yearbook
- Dec. 2 – First Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 9 – Choir-led worship service at Salem-Zion at 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 16 – Christmas Open House at Miller Home from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Hilda Kaufman.
- our annual congregational business meeting as we celebrate what God did in our midst last year, affirm new people who will serve in ministries, accept a new budget and pray for our future. All people are invited to come and participate!
- Tim Waltner as he recovers from his recent surgery.
- Leora Ortman as she recovers from her broken ribs. She is in room #329 at Oakview Terrace.
- The many families affected by the destructive wildfires in California, especially those who have lost loved ones.

Sign-up TODAY in the narthex to “Serve one another in Love”. The sign-up sheet will be available until Monday, so now is the time to choose how you will serve those with whom you worship and fellowship. Both men and women are encouraged to take part. If there are questions, please ask Elizabeth Janssen, MW Exec. Chairwoman.

Due to Thanksgiving there will be an **early bulletin deadline** this week – Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. The church office will be closed on Thursday.

Farmer Supper – November 25th at 6:00 p.m. After thinking and praying about how we can be a support to our farmers who have had (and still are) a challenging year, the deacons decided to host a Chili supper at Salem-Zion where we can fellowship around tables, lament the challenges, and encourage each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. If you are a farmer or are in a farm related business, we warmly welcome you to come and join us.

Thanksgiving offering–**MCC Christmas Giving: Cows.** Mennonite Central Committee works internationally for relief and development in the name of Christ. One of these development areas is in food security. At this year’s

Thanksgiving Day service we’ll all give toward the purchase of cows for farm families in Vietnam where raising cows provides a new way to earn income close to home—an enormous help for Phùng Thị Tuyết and others who care for family members with disabilities associated with the devastating effects of Agent Orange. Want to give big? A whole cow costs \$600.

Community Connections

While Supplies Last: Salem (South) Mennonite Church has a limited number of 2017 pictorial directories available. If you’d like to purchase one of these full-color books, please send your mailing address and a check in the amount of \$10 to Salem Mennonite Church, 28103-443rd Ave., Freeman, SD 57029, and one will be mailed to you.

The Sioux Empire Brass is presenting their Holiday Concert on Sunday, November 18, 2018, 4:30 pm at First Lutheran Church, 327 S Dakota Ave, Sioux Falls. This year’s performance includes special guests First Lutheran choir and organist, Zachary Brockhoff plus a variety of Holiday favorites. The Sioux Empire Brass is directed by Rolyn Beaird. The Sioux Empire Brass is a 35-piece brass choir made up of musicians from Sioux Falls and surrounding communities. Katrina (Schmidt) Gordon is a member of the group. A freewill offering will be taken.

Believe it or not, it’s that time of year again! **The Et Cetera Shoppe is seeking donations of peppernut cookies** for us to sell as an additional holiday fundraiser for Mennonite Central Committee. Peppernuts baked from your favorite recipe can be brought to the shop ANYTIME. We begin selling them on the morning after Thanksgiving! Bring your peppernuts in Ziploc bags or ice cream pails and we will package them here. This can be a fun project to do with grandchildren, mentees, friends, Sunday School classes, etc. Your heart will be filled with the joy of giving, and your house will be filled with the aroma of the holidays!

Practicing the Peace of Christ:

“Creating fear is a tactic that is continually used to separate people and label the other. Love conquers hate.”

- Gavin Rogers, associate pastor at San Antonio’s Travis Park United Methodist Church, who has been traveling along with the migrant caravan in Mexico. Rogers describes the goals of these people as “not about a better life in America, but its just about living.” The goals are to seek an education for their children and “be free from violence and rape and murder.”

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