



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

## “The Supremacy of Christ” November 5, 2023

### GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude Sherilyn Ortman  
Welcome and Lighting the Peace Lamp André Eisenbeis

Call to Worship (from Psalm 90)

L: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**P: Before the mountains were made,**

L: Before You formed the earth and the world,

**P: From everlasting to everlasting, you are God!**

L: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,

**P: So that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

**ALL: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper the work of our hands.**

Opening Prayer

\* Hymn – *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name* VT #411

\* Greeting each other

Children’s Story Lori Hofer

Sharing our Offerings – Household Treasury

Offertory – *O Salutaris Hostia* (Pierre de la Rue) All-State Chorus singers

### HEARING GOD’S WORD

\* Hearing the Gospel John 1:1-5

Hearing the New Testament Colossians 1:15-23

Sermon – “In Christ, all things held together” Corey Miller

### RESPONDING TO GOD

Song of Response – *Beautiful Savior* VT #130

Lighting Candles in Memory

Anette Eisenbeis - November 11, 2022

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

\* Sending Song – *My Hope Is Built* VT #621

\* Benediction

Postlude

## Church Calendar

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

### TODAY

This month we are beginning a new Worship series on the book of Colossians.

Today, with the church in Colossae, we ponder the magnitude of Christ’s Supremacy in that ALL things are held together in Christ.

Welcome to worship! We are delighted that you have chosen to join us!

The offering that we are celebrating today is for our Household Treasury.

9:30am – Jr. Sunday School opening in the Sanctuary

9:30am – Sunday School for all ages

10:30am – Worship Service

2:00pm – Fuente de Vida church service

### THIS WEEK

**Nov. 6-7 (Mon-Tues)** – MCC Meat Canner in Freeman; Sign up online!

**Nov. 8 (Wed)** – Children’s Choir rehearsal, 6:00-6:30pm

**Nov. 9 (Thurs)** – FACC rehearsal at Salem-Zion at 6:30pm

**Nov. 10 (Fri)** – Fuente de Vida church service at 7:00pm

### NEXT SUNDAY – Nov. 12

Next Sunday we will continue our Worship Series on Colossians. The theme is “*Fullness of Life in Christ*” and the text will be Colossians 2:6-23. All are invited to read through the entire chapter of Colossians 2 in preparation for our worship time.

Next week the offering is for Central Plains Mennonite Conference.

### COMING EVENTS

**Nov. 12** – FACC Fall Concert at Salem-Zion at 7:00pm

**Nov. 13** – Administrative Board meeting at 7:00pm

**Nov. 19** – Annual Business Meeting at 12:30pm

**Dec. 1** – Yearbook deadline

## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

### Happenings over the past week:

- On Friday and Saturday, the Council of Committees from CPMC met at Salem-Zion for worship and planning. Pastor Corey is a part of the Pastoral Leadership Commission.

### Remember to praise God:

- for all the ways that people reveal God’s goodness, grace, and unconditional love to us.

- for all the expressions of love and care that Corey and Nancy have experienced over this past month.
- that we met our financial goals as a church and met our budget (which concluded in October). Praise God for generous giving and for the many ministries that we support at Salem-Zion.

**Remember to pray for:**

- those who cannot be here today: Cody Schrag.
- the Mennonite Central Committee Meat Canner as it comes to Freeman this week. Pray for all those who are coordinating this event and that willing helpers will come and work for God’s glory.
- conference ministers for all area conferences of MC USA and MC Canada, who prepare to gather in Banff, Canada later this week. We pray for safe travels and formative conversations. We pray also for our sister and brother congregations across MC USA, each in their own unique ministry contexts. Help each of us to be faithful followers of Jesus.

This is the final Sunday (Nov. 5) for the **North Church Freeman Academy Fund Drive**. The committee will be available to collect your donation following the church service.

The **Serving One Another in Love volunteer sign-up sheet** is now in the narthex on the bulletin board. If you do not yet have plans for plugging-in at Salem-Zion for the 2024 year, please consider the volunteer options listed. Signing-up with a friend is welcome!

The financial report for the **SD MCC Relief Sale** for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023 has been posted in the narthex. The **Et Cetera Shoppe** financial report for 2022 has also been posted in the narthex.

**October Offerings and Gifts:** Household Treasury - \$27,310.23; Student Tuition Sharing Fund - \$150.00; CPMC - \$350.00; MC USA - \$1,309.00; MEA - \$425.00; Ross Richers - \$2,153.00; MMN - \$1,792.00; AMBS - \$250.00; FA - \$1,732.00.

Under the umbrella of Wellspring, counselors from The Changing Behavioral Group have been seeing clients at Freeman Regional, providing **mental health support**. Realizing the importance of this service, Salem-Zion has funds available for its members, including children, adolescents and adults. Make an appointment by calling the Freeman Clinic, mentioning you are a Salem-Zion member. If you have questions, please call the Group office at 605-201-0104.

A copy of the Household Treasury **monthly report** is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

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

**Community Connections**

**Freeman Network for Justice and Peace** will meet Wednesday, November 8 at 11:30 A.M. in the Freeman Public Library. All are welcome.

**MCC Comforter update** – thank you to all the hardworking MCC comforter makers who make beautiful, high-quality gifts to share with our partners around the world! The MCC guidelines for comforters were recently updated after receiving feedback from partners around the world. For complete MCC comforter information, including the updated guidelines, check out the Comforters page of our website ([mcc.org/get-involved/kits/comforters](http://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/comforters)). Please reach out to the Workroom Supervisor, Kate Mast ([katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org)), with any comforter questions!

**Creating Shalom on the Meat Canner:** Every year MCC's mobile meat canner travels across the U.S., and dedicated volunteers prepare cans of turkey, beef, chicken and pork to be sent around the world. Over 30,000 people a year volunteer to fill, weigh, wash and label every can. Last year, 574,560 pounds of canned meat were shipped to Cuba, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Haiti, Malawi, South Sudan, Ukraine, Zambia, and the U.S., including Puerto Rico. This is Christ’s Good News!

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