



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

February 16, 2020

Jesus Evangelizes

“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit ...” - Mt. 28:19

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Gathering Songs Bel Canto Singers
Let's Walk Together – Mark A. Miller
Akekho ofana no Jesu – Traditional Zimbabwean, arr. Patrick Matsikenyiri
Like A Rock – Linnea Good

Call to Worship Karen Unruh, organ
Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow – setting by Michael Burkhardt

Welcome and Opening Prayer John Epp

PRAISING GOD

* Hymns of Praise – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* HWB #37
As We Rise, O God, to Meet You Insert

Greetings and Announcements

Children's Story Luke 19:1-10 Sheila Epp

Offering our gifts – Deacon Sharing Fund
 Offertory – *Lord, Give Me Just a Little More Time* – Albert Brumley
 * Song – *Praise God from whom* (HWB #119) & Offertory Prayer

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Hearing the Gospel Luke 10:1-12

Special Music – *If Ye Love Me* – Thomas Tallis
O Love – Elaine Hagenberg
Cornerstone – Shawn Kirchner

* Hearing the Gospel Matthew 28:18-20

Meditation – “Evangelism is Good News” Corey Miller

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Song – *Come Thou Fount* – arr. Miller
 Esmi Hernandez, Rachel Miller, Navy Widnyani

Congregational Prayer

* Congregational Sending Song – *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound* - Insert

* Benediction

* Choral Benediction – *Shine the Light* – Raymond Wise Bel Canto Singers

Postlude Karen Unruh

* 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

Evangelism means literally “*Good News*” and Jesus spent his life offering this news of hope, healing and salvation to all. Today, we are so blessed that the Bel Canto Singers from Hesston College are with us to proclaim God’s Good News to us today. Welcome to our worship!

Greeters: Ladonna Waltner and Janette Epp; **Organist:** Karen Unruh, Hesston College; **Special Music:** Bel Canto Singers

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

The Bel Canto Singers are sharing their musical gifts with us in our worship today. Because our offering is already going for the Deacon Sharing Fund, you will have an opportunity to **contribute to Bel Canto’s music ministry** by placing cash or checks in a labeled basket in the foyer. Checks can be made out to Hesston College and ear-marked “Bel Canto Singers.” Thank you.

THIS WEEK

Feb. 19 (Wed) 7:00 p.m. – Pastor/Congregation Review Committee
 Feb. 19 7:30 p.m. – Board of Education meeting
 Feb. 19 8:00 p.m. – Ladies choir rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY – Feb. 23

Next Sunday we conclude our series “*Seeing Jesus in 2020*” and the focus is “*Jesus Forgave.*” The scriptures are Mk. 2:1-12, Mt. 6:9-15, Mt. 18:21-22, Lk. 23:32-43 and Corey will be preaching.

Organist: Dan Graber; **Offering:** Salem Mennonite Home; **Special Music:** Ladies Choir

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 23 – Outreach and Service Committee meeting at noon
Feb. 26 – Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Hilda Kaufman.
 - Tim Detweiler in his surgery on Tuesday.

- the Bel Canto Singers from Hesston as they travel back to Kansas this afternoon.

- the good and peace-filled work of the Agape Peace Center and the Minnesota Peacebuilding Leadership Institute, both in Minnesota.

Remember to thank God for:

- the Good News of our salvation in Jesus Christ, the peace of God's love that is beyond comprehension, and the power of the Holy Spirit anointing us to bear witness to God's healing, redeeming and reconciling ways!

Thank you all for the concern shown and acts of kindness given to us at the time of my brother's death. Sincerely, Allen and Mary

In celebration of the upcoming wedding of **Jordan Ortman and Kirsten Carpenter**, we would like to have a **money-card shower** for the couple. Jordan and Kirsten are getting married March 8 in Estes Park, CO. You may give your money gift to Kelsey Pidde or Jami Dubs by February 23. There is a card by the Mennonite Women bulletin board for you to sign.

Household Treasury Report 3rd Sunday of month Balance: \$7,207.28
The household treasury pays for salaries, electric/heating bills, Sunday school materials, The Mennonite and Upper Room, taxes, insurance, maintenance, dues and fees, office supplies, etc. The average monthly expenses for the Household Treasury are around \$15,000. We greatly appreciate your giving and generosity towards these needs to keep our Salem-Zion community functioning! Thank you so much!

Our fundraising has begun for the *Voices Together* worship books for Salem-Zion. In order to get our discount price, we'll need to pay the \$7,400 balance by May 1. Some funds from the Organ & Music Fund and the Mennonite Youth Fellowship Fund will be used to help pay for these worship resources. We invite you to also contribute to the cost of these worship resources. The ballot box will be in the foyer (with a "Voices Together" sign on it). Please write out checks to Salem-Zion Mennonite Church and earmark your checks "Voices Together." For those of you who signed up for a personal copy, the worship committee will soon be organizing a system for you to pay for your personal copy of the hymn book. - The Worship Committee

Update on Tim Detweiler: Former CPMC Conference Minister for Ministerial Leadership Tim Detweiler will be having open chest surgery on Tuesday, February 18, to repair the mitral valve and at least one bypass anticipated. We invite you to keep Tim and his family and doctors in your prayers as Tim undergoes surgery and in the days and weeks of recovery following.

Know someone who has demonstrated Jesus's way of peacemaking? Nominate them for the **Annual Peace Mug Award** at Central Plains Mennonite Conference's Annual Meeting! Send your nomination to Peace & Justice Task Group member Jane Yoder-Short (wilmajane17@gmail.com) by Friday, March 6. Please include their name, contact information, and a simple description why you're nominating them.

Community Connections

Kuchen baking days are scheduled for Feb. 21 in Tyndall (snow date March 6) and Feb. 27, 28, 29 in the PH Dining Hall kitchen, starting at 9:00 a.m. Filling will be made Feb. 20 and 26 in the Dining Hall kitchen, starting at 1:00 p.m. Donations of fruit or money to buy fruit would be much appreciated. Please contact Debra Schmeichel if you are willing to help any of those days. (648-3430, ssag@goldenwest.net) Thank you!

In preparation for Schmeckfest, **cheese pockets** will be made on Saturday, Feb. 22 starting at 9 a.m. at the Freeman Academy dining hall. This work day is scheduled on a Saturday so those working during the week are able to attend. We also want to encourage anyone wanting to learn how to make cheese pockets to attend. Come for the whole day or a few hours, whatever works for your schedule. Call Kathy Kleinsasser, FA Aux. chair, 925-7952 for more information.

Rural Revival will meet on February 24 at 8:00 p.m. in the Freeman Public Library. All are welcome to attend. The education topic for this month will be presented by Lee Brockmueller. He will be discussing the use of small grains in farming crop rotations.

Sign up for monthly highlights from MCC's 100 stories for 100 years! Explore images and stories from the breadth of MCC's work – from a graphic story on the 1920 trip that began MCC's ministry to accounts of women peacemakers now. Go to mcc.org/centennial/100-stories/email to sign up for monthly emails highlighting stories from the project.

Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for an invitation to the March 8 annual meeting of the **Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association** held at Bethel College Mennonite Church.

God's Peace within Evangelism: Anyone can love peace, but Jesus didn't say, "Blessed are the peace-lovers." He says "peacemakers." He is referring to a life vocation, not a hobby on the sidelines of life. - Jim Wallis

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Adult Sunday School Spring Quarter Electives

Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex

God and Money: How we discovered true riches at Harvard business school

by Gregory Baumer and John Cortines

Led by _____

“Two young Harvard MBAs on the fast track to wealth and success tell their story of God’s transforming power and how it changed their lives and their relationship to money. They offer an honest look at what the Bible says about radical generosity.”

Christ in Crisis: Why we need to reclaim Jesus

By Jim Wallis

Led by Gloria Graber

“Writing in response to our current “constitutional crisis,” New York Times bestselling author and Christian activist Jim Wallis urges America to return to the tenets of Jesus once again as the means to save us from the polarizing bitterness and anger of our tribal nation.”

Green Patchwork study

Led by Charity Ortman

About Green Patchwork Congregations

“Mennonite Creation Care Network challenges churches to integrate care of creation into their ministries and daily living. We call our member churches Green Patchwork Congregations because we know that each congregation brings a unique context and set of gifts to our planet’s need for care. We welcome all shades of green to the MCCN palette. Let us be agents of change wherever we are and whatever our communities are like!”