



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

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GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – <i>What Wondrous Love</i> (arr. James Boeringer)	Sherilyn Ortman
Choral Call – <i>Jesus Is Coming</i> (VT #312)	Children’s Choir
Welcome	Nathan Epp

Preparing for Peace *And I Will Raise You Up*

Call to Worship

L: Together we seek the way of God, a way so different from the ways of this world.

P: We remind ourselves to loosen our grasp, to trust instead of control.

L: We praise a God we cannot see and celebrate a salvation we do not understand.

P: In worship we give ourselves and we receive the disarming power of God.

L: We cry:

ALL: Blessed is the One who comes in the power of God’s name.

Opening Prayer

* Hymn – *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* VT #315

Children’s Story Leo and Penny

Dedicating our Offering – Central Plains Mennonite Conference

PROCLAIMING

Hearing the Scriptures Isaiah 50:4-9a (p. 549), Philippians 2:5-11 (p. 873)

Song – *Christ Is King! Let Earthly Powers* #410

* Hearing the Gospel Luke 19:28-40 (p. 782)

Sermon – “Great Expectations” Corey Miller

RESPONDING

Instrumental *And I Will Raise You Up*

Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

* Sending Song – *The Hand of God Shall Hold You* #671

Blessing

Choral Benediction – *Sending Song*

Postlude

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

As we seek God's way, we move from an understanding of power that grasps for control over others to an understanding that true power comes from working with and for others in love. What a blessed gift it is to worship together in the name of Christ. Welcome to this place!

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Central Plains Mennonite Conference**.

9:00 a.m. – Zoom Adult Sunday School
9:30-10:15 a.m. – Jr. Dept. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for adults
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

THIS WEEK

April 10-13 – Holy Week services held at Salem Mennonite Church at 7:00pm with Conference Minister Nathan Luitjens. An offering will be received each service to help with the expenses of these worship times.

April 13 – Chancel choir rehearsal at 8:15pm at Salem-Zion

April 15 – **Good Friday** service and communion held at Salem-Zion at 7:30pm

April 17 – **Easter Sunday** worship with singing, the choir proclaiming, and much rejoicing

NEXT SUNDAY – April 17

Next Sunday is Easter Sunday and the theme is "*From Certainty to Openness*." The scriptures are Isaiah 65:17-25, Psalm 118, I Corinthians 15:19-26 and John 20:1-18. The choir will be singing, the puppets dancing, Pastor Corey preaching, and resurrection joy will be evident. Bring a friend, a neighbor, or even a church member who hasn't been to worship in a long time.

Next week the offering is for **Freeman Academy**.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- Sharon Schmidt passed away last weekend. Her memorial service will be on Sunday afternoon, April 24th at Salem-Zion at 2:00pm.

- Johnny Graber remains at Oakview Terrace in Freeman.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Dorothy Preheim.

- the Holy Week services in this upcoming week. Pray for holy silence to listen deeply to the story of Jesus' suffering love and redemptive work on the cross.

- the faculty, staff and students at Freeman Academy and Hillcrest Academy.

Easter Sunday Breakfast: The deacons have graciously offered to serve a simple and yet delicious breakfast on Easter Sunday. From 9am – 10am, they will be serving rolls, coffee and juice in the fellowship hall. The elective studies will continue as usual at 9:30am and all children pre-K – 8th grade will be invited to an Easter Sunday School lesson with Pastor Corey in the preschool room across from Lisa's office. We welcome you all on this Resurrection Day!

Time/Talents Sheets: In case you forgot to turn in your Time/Talent sheet last Sunday, we are still accepting any forms that are filled out. Please return the completed forms into the "Time/Talent" box in the foyer. We need a good harvest of returns in order to fulfill our missional purposes at this time. Thank you to all who have filled out this sheet and thank you to all those who will still turn in their sheets.

Dear Salem-Zion Community, **Thank you** for the gift of money as William and I prepare for marriage. We are excited for this next chapter of our life and the memories to come. We look forward to getting to know the Salem-Zion community for the years to come! Thank you, once again for your generous offerings! May God continue to bless each of you! Sincerely, Katie Magera & William Janssen

Last weekend, we delivered our nicest red hymnals (and a few blue ones as well) to Sugar Creek Mennonite Church in Wayland, IA, where they will continue to receive good use in worship. **Sugar Creek sends this note to our congregation:** "Thank you so much for the wonderful donation of your unused hymnals. We were able to replace almost all of our Mennonite Hymnals and several Worship Books as well."

Chancel choir will rehearse this week Wednesday, April 13, at 8:15pm at Salem-Zion. Anyone is welcome and encouraged to join us as we prepare to sing on Easter Sunday.

If you are interested in being a **delegate for the annual meeting of Central Plains Mennonite Conference** which will be held on June 16-19 in Freeman, please contact one of the Deacons.

Minutes from the February deacon meeting are available in the narthex.

The trustees are taking bids for janitor, housecleaning, and grounds keeper/mowing. We would like bids to be in by April 15th.

Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for a thank-you letter from **Mennonite Mission Network**.

Prayer for Peace: *“In days to come, the mountain of the LORD’s house shall be established as the highest of the mountains... They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.” -The Prophet Isaiah, Isaiah 2:1,4*

Praying 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

The Freeman Academy board of directors is pleased to announce **Dr. Brad Anderson as our next Head of School**. The board-appointed search committee undertook their work last December and reviewed several well-qualified applicants. Dr. Anderson emerged as the unanimous choice of the search committee. The board of directors discussed and concurred with the search committee’s recommendation. The search committee and board were particularly impressed with Brad’s commitment to Anabaptist Christian education, his passion and vision for the school, and his desire to nurture and further cultivate relationships between the school and the broader community. Dr. Anderson, no stranger to the community, previously served as Academic Dean and has been a member of Freeman Academy’s teaching faculty for the past five years. He will assume Head of School duties on July 1, 2022.

The Freeman Academy Auxiliary is truly amazed at the overwhelming support of the Schmeck Stop food sales the last two Saturdays. This event would not have taken place without the generous donations from our local bakers and the volunteers at work days. Preparing all the baked goods, sausage and meal items is no small task. **We are so grateful to all of you** for committing your time and energy to make food and assist with sales for the event. Thank you to all the shoppers who bought food and made additional monetary donations to Schmeckfest and Freeman Academy. As we explore the options for Schmeckfest 2023, we want to assure you that efforts to bring back a “traditional” event are in the works.

- The Freeman Academy Auxiliary Executive, Overall Food, and Food Project committees

Zoom Adult Sunday School

<https://zoom.us/j/97667382194?pwd=NHNieHZ6a29ZMGpZSHJpczlibUxtdz09; Meeting ID: 976 6738 2194; Passcode: 523139>

Livestream link for Sunday morning worship

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCX8KyFIZChK0Ef-rIBAaS3A>

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