



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

May 15, 2022  
*One in Christ*

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Topaz* (H.A. Vander Cook)  
*Amazing Grace*  
*Ruby* (H.A. Vander Cook)

Welcome Tim Eisenbeis

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship VT #862

Opening Prayer

\* Hymn – *O Praise the Gracious Power* (vv. 1-4, 6) #87

Greeting one another “*Peace be with you.*” “*And also with you.*”

Children’s Story Gwen Ortman

Celebrating our Offerings – Student Tuition Sharing Fund

## PROCLAIMING

\* Hearing the Gospel Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Hymn – *Jesus Christ Is Waiting* #287

Hearing the New Testament Ephesians 2:11-22

Sermon – “Preaching Peace” Jack Scandrett

## RESPONDING

Special Music – “Adagio” from *Concerto in A-Major, K. 622* (Mozart)

Prayers for Christ’s Church Children

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

\* Sending Song – *Renew Your Church* #717

Blessing

Postlude – *Amazing Grace* Brass quintet

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**Musicians** (listed in order of appearance): Oliver Waltner, trombone; Cadence Hofer, oboe; Makenzie Scharberg, flute; Reeslyn Hofer, trombone; Estelle Waltner, clarinet; Christian Ortman and Simon Wiersema, trumpet; Solomon Ortman, French horn, Jayson Allison, trombone, Armando Miller, tuba.

## Church Calendar

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

### TODAY

Paul reminds us that “Christ is our peace” and therefore has made the church one. With Pastor Jack, we are invited to ponder what it means to be One in Christ. We are glad you are here to worship with us today. Welcome Pastor Jack Scandrett, interim minister from the South Church.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for the **Student Tuition Sharing Fund**.

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

### NEXT SUNDAY – May 22

Next Sunday the theme of the service is “*The Healing of the Nations*” and the texts are Psalm 67, Acts 16:9-15, Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 and John 14:23-29. Pastor Corey will be preaching and we will honor our high school graduates.

Next week the offering is for **Mennonite Central Committee**.

### COMING EVENTS

**May 27-30** – Special MC USA delegate sessions in Kansas City. Janette Epp, Janelle Ortman, and Tim Graber are our delegates from Salem-Zion.

**June 6-10** – Bible School at Salem-Zion

**June 16-19** – Central Plains Mennonite Conference at Freeman Academy. The theme is: “*Come to the Table*” and if you are interested in attending as a delegate, talk to the deacons.

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## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

### **Happenings over the past week:**

- Lacey and Lance Friesen welcomed their daughter Louisa Jane Friesen last Sunday evening. Everyone is doing well and enjoying this new chapter at home. The rose on the organ is in honor of Louisa.
- Corey, Nancy and Hannah left for Kansas to attend Rachel’s graduation ceremony on Sunday. They will return home on Monday.
- The rains halted the planting activities, but brought much needed moisture to the fields, gardens and pastures.

### **Remember to pray for:**

- those who cannot be here today: Nita Engbrecht.
- gratitude for the rains we have received over this past week. “*You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it.*” – Psalm 65:9

- Timothy Epp as he anticipates his graduation from high school.  
- Nathan Epp as he leads Freeman Academy to another year of completion. Pray for Nathan in this time of transition into his next chapter.  
- the Board of Central Plains Mennonite Conference. We pray for wisdom and courage as they discern the best ways for Conference to continue supporting and encouraging and resourcing each local congregation for ministry.

After being diagnosed with multiple myeloma (bone cancer) last September, I have had successful treatments and now qualify for a **bone marrow transplant on May 24th**. I'll be hospitalized at Avera in Sioux Falls for about 2 weeks. Thank you for kind words, cards and prayers. - Dennis Herlyn

**Thank you** for your cards and prayers as I heal from my heart attack - Gloria Preheim

As a church, let's show Austin & Lindsey Unruh our love and support by supplying some **meals** for them. To arrange a time to take a meal, contact Lindsey at 605-421-0689. If she can't answer her phone right away, please leave a message. Thank you!

MC USA Special Session of the Delegate Assembly will be held May 27-30 in Kansas City. Tim Graber, Janelle Ortman and Janette Epp are our delegates from Salem-Zion. Many of you attended the information meeting we had with Sharon Waltner on March 27. As delegates we want to continue to give opportunity to the congregation to become better informed about the different resolutions to be voted on, in particular the role of the Membership Guidelines of MC USA. If you have comments or questions you are encouraged to visit with one of the delegates (in-person, phone or email). In addition we have set up a resource table in the narthex with information and a response sheet for your comments. **Tim, Janelle and Janette will also be available after church in the fellowship hall on May 15 and 22** to visit with you about the resolutions.

To celebrate the upcoming wedding of Kelly Hollifield and Gabriel Eisenbeis on July 23rd, we're having a **card shower**. Either bring your own card or sign the one in the narthex. If you wish to contribute to a monetary love gift, please give those to Elizabeth Janssen or leave it in the basket. We'll collect cards and gifts through Sunday, May 22. Thank you for taking part in this important ministry!

We are excited to announce that we will be having **DVBS** this summer! It will be held June 6-10 from 9am-1:15pm. Registration forms will be available at South and North Church. They will be due May 22. Our theme is Passport to

Peace! Every day we will focus on a different country/continent. We are looking for some willing individuals to let us borrow some décor and/or pictures from Africa, North America, Asia, Europe and South/Central America. We are wondering if there would be a few individuals willing to share a personal story about peacemaking. We are also looking for the following supplies: Big world maps, globes, safety cones, 10 empty 2 liters, train decor, train puzzles, map puzzles, airplane decor. If you are willing to help out or have questions, please contact Lacey Friesen, Lynelle Hofer, Carmelle Miller or Libby Miller.

The **Junior Sunday School Department is looking for teachers** for Sunday School during the summer. Materials will be provided. The junior group tends to get small during the summer so it will be one group. The sign-up sheet is located in the narthex on the bulletin board. Please sign up for a slot or two! If we are not able to find teachers, we will have to cancel class. Thanks for helping us nurture our children! If you have more questions please contact Malynda at [mrs.penner@hotmail.com](mailto:mrs.penner@hotmail.com) or 605-929-7314 (call/text).

**Central Plains Annual Meeting** isn't just for delegates and pastors (although if you are a delegate, youth delegate or pastor and haven't registered—register now!). All are invited to Freeman, SD June 16-19 to worship, learn, fellowship, and discern together! Visit our website to learn more and to register! [www.centralplainsmc.org/annual-meeting-2022](http://www.centralplainsmc.org/annual-meeting-2022)

The Annual Meeting for the Central Plains Mennonite Conference will be held in Freeman, starting Thursday, June 16 through Sunday, June 19. Some conference attendees prefer to stay in family homes, and we are putting together a list of potential hosts from the local congregations for in-home lodging during the conference. **If you are able to provide in-home lodging for CPMC Annual Meeting participants**, please contact Brent Brockmueller at [brentbrockmueller@gmail.com](mailto:brentbrockmueller@gmail.com).

**God's Peace in Jesus:** "Jesus doesn't give an explanation for the pain and sorrow of the world. He comes where the pain is most acute and takes it upon himself. Jesus doesn't explain why there is suffering, illness, and death in the world. He brings healing and hope. He doesn't allow the problem of evil to be the subject of a seminar. He allows evil to do its worst to him. He exhausts it, drains its power, and emerges with new life." - N. T. Wright

**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

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Freeman Academy representatives invite you to a **town hall meeting** on Tuesday, May 17 in the Dining Hall immediately after the Pep Band Concert/Academic Awards program. This will be a follow-up town hall about our Schmeckfest Task Force that is exploring Schmeckfest possibilities for the post-Covid era. Task Force members, board and FA staff will be present for this discussion.

Freeman Academy is accepting applications for the **Faith and Leadership Scholarship for new students in grades 9-12**. Recipients receive 40% off tuition, attend summer leadership camp, and follow a yearly leadership program. Summer camp options include MCUSA conferences or an approved regional or national program. Applicants must be new students with a minimum 3.5 GPA who wish to develop their leadership skills through contributions to the school. An interview and short essay are required. The scholarship renews each year as recipients complete the academic and leadership requirements. Deadline July 15. Details at [FreemanAcademy.org/scholarships/](https://FreemanAcademy.org/scholarships/). Contact Lynnelle Allison, Enrollment Director, for more information.

### 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-rIBAAaS3A>

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