



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

**Trinity Sunday
May 26, 2024**

“...baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit...” - Mt. 28:19b

GATHERING TO PRAISE

Prelude – *Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren* (Walther) Lisa Kaufman

Welcome and Call to Worship (from Psalm 29) Kelsey Pidde

L: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy
splendor.

P: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders.

L: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

P: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars and causes oaks to whirl.

L: The LORD is enthroned as king forever and gives strength to his people.

ALL: May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Opening Prayer

* Singing our Praise – *Holy, Holy, Holy!* VT #76

* Greeting each other

Children’s Story Lori Hofer

Lighting the Peace Lamp

L: The light shines in the darkness.

P: And the darkness did not overcome it.

Offering – Mennonite Central Committee

Offertory – *Vater unser im Himmelreich* (J. Krieger)

HEARING GOD’S WORD

Hearing the Old Testament Isaiah 6:1-8 Reader’s Theater

Musical Interlude – *Heilig, Heilig, Heilig*

* Hearing the Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon – “Who will go for us?” Corey Miller

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Song – *O God in Heaven* VT #720

Blessing our Graduating Seniors

Tyce Benjamin

Liam Ortman

Sam Waltner

Congregational Prayer

* Song – *Spirit of Life* VT #368

* Blessing

Postlude

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

Trinity Sunday is a day to recognize our Triune God. God, Jesus, and Holy Spirit have been creating, redeeming, and sustaining the church from day one. Today, we celebrate the missional call that God invites everyone to join. “*Who will go for us?*” We are so glad you have joined us for worship. Welcome!

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Mennonite Central Committee**. Did you know that MCC was founded 104 years ago and provided aid to those suffering in Russia? Today, MCC provides emergency relief to places all over the world, including Gaza, distributing food packages, hygiene items, and cash transfers to families in need.

9:30am – Sunday School for all ages

10:30am – Worship Service

2:00pm – Fuente de Vida church service

THIS WEEK

May 29 (Wed) – 5:30pm gathering for Jr. SS Dept. teachers and children

May 29 (Wed) – Deacons meeting at 8:00pm

May 30 (Thurs) – Serving at The Banquet in Sioux Falls

May 31 (Fri) – Fuente de Vida church service at 7:00pm

NEXT SUNDAY – June 2

Next Sunday we begin our summer series “*Sermon on the Mount.*” The theme is “*Blessings*” and the scripture text will be Matthew 5:1-12. We invite you to read it and even memorize it. Pastor Corey will be preaching, we will receive new members, and we will celebrate communion together.

The offering will be for the Household Treasury.

COMING EVENTS

June 2 – Adult Sunday School presentation on Anabaptist History by Nathan Epp at 9:30am

June 3-7 – Bible School at Salem-Zion

June 20-23 – CPMC Annual Meeting in Wayland, Iowa

September 7-8 – 150th Anniversary of the Swiss-Volhynian Mennonites in Freeman. Please share a story from your family that has been instrumental in your growth and faith formation.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Helen Tieszen.

- the end of the school year for our teachers, school staff, students and parents in Central Plains. In the midst of busy schedules, may each find time for renewal and relaxation this summer.

Adult Summer Sunday School starts Sunday, June 2: The 150th anniversary committee (Marnette Hofer, Polly Waltner, Gwen Ortman, Pastor Corey) are excited about our summer Sunday School time of remembering, learning, and growing. Each week we will be focused on one aspect of our faith story and our journey in this place as we strive to follow Jesus. There will be coffee starting at 9:00am and it promises to be a wonderful time! Make plans to join us as we prepare for our anniversary.

As we finish up the **book studies**, if you are interested in keeping your book, please give your payment to Lacey Friesen or leave it in her church mailbox. Prices are *Unsettling Truths* \$14.00 and *Unburdened* \$13.00. If you are finished with your book, please leave them in the women's cloakroom on the west pew. Thank you to our class leaders and members for some wonderful discussions!

WELLSPRING UPDATE: Changing Mental Health contracts with Wellspring to offer counseling services in the Freeman area; however, there have been issues contacting CMH. Obviously, this disconnect needs to be addressed. Until this is resolved, Celeste Uthe-Burow offers her personal phone number to inquire about appointments. She and the other CMH counselors are committed to making this relationship with Salem-Zion to be another tool to aid in our overall health. Please call or leave a text message to 605-201-0104 to make an appointment with this service, mentioning that you attend Salem-Zion.

Vacation Bible School will be held at the North Church on June 3-7 starting at 9:00 AM and ending at 1:15 PM. Ages 4-years-old to 6th grade are welcome! Registration forms can be found on the table as you enter the sanctuary, or on the church website. Please turn in registration forms to Kelsey Pidde or Lacey Friesen as soon as possible.

It's not too late to get the discounted rate for **CPMC's Annual Meeting**--but rates go up on June 1. Register today to attend Annual Meeting where we will worship, learn, fellowship and discern together! See our website for more information and to register, www.centralplainsmc.org.

An invitation to the **"Schweitzers and Friends"** celebration August 23-25, 2024 in Moundridge, KS has been posted in the narthex.

Community Connections

Rural Revival will meet on Monday, May 27 at 8:00 p.m. at the Freeman library. All are welcome to attend.

Much of the focus of this year's 150th anniversary of the wave of Germans-from-Russia immigrants is on their arrival in Dakota Territory that began in

1874. But the story of that migration goes back to Europe and southern Russia prior to the exodus of thousands of German-speaking people who had lived there for more than a century. In the first of a three-part series, **Heritage Hall Museum & Archives** in Freeman will take a look at life in the area known today as Ukraine. Scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 2 at the historical Bethel Church on the HHM&A grounds, the program will explore the impetus for people moving to that region starting in the 1700s. It will take a look at what life was like there, and what prompted them to leave starting in the 1870s. A four-member panel – Dan Flyger, Marnette (Ortman) Hofer, Norman Hofer and S. Roy Kaufman – will look at various aspects of this story. That includes the history and perspectives of Hutterite, Lutheran, Low German Mennonite, Reformed, and Swiss Amish who all settled primarily in Hutchinson and Turner counties in southeastern Dakota Territory in the 1870s. Museum admission that day will include the program. Admission for only the program (\$8) will be charged at the door; HHM&A members \$4. HHM&A is open Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and other times by appointment during the summer months.

Administration Manager (Full-time): Freeman Academy seeks a well-organized self-starter to manage data systems related to student enrollment, faculty certification, and related data. This person also helps organize school meetings and events and assists the Head of School with other tasks as needed. Full benefits, including daycare and tuition discounts, apply. For more information or to apply, access the application at <https://freemanacademy.org/about/employment/> or contract Dr. Brad Anderson, Head of School, at banderson@freemanacademy.org / 605.925.4237.

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God's Peace by loving each other: "The hardest spiritual work in the world is to love the neighbor as the self - to encounter another human being not as someone you can use, change, fix, help, save, enroll, convince or control, but simply as someone who can spring you from the prison of yourself, if you will allow it." - Barbara Brown Taylor

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