



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

Whole Relationships June 23, 2024

“...be reconciled to your brother or sister.” - Mt. 5:23b

GATHERING TO PRAISE

Prelude – *All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name* with
You are My All in All (arr. Tornquist)
This is My Father's World (arr. Lorie Line)

Kaye Waltner
Elizabeth Janssen

Welcome and Call to Worship

L: Children of God: welcome!

P: Welcome to this place of love and grace,

L: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

P: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

L: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

P: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

ALL: In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

Opening Prayer

* Singing our Praise – *The Love of God*

VT #162

* Greeting each other

Children's Story

Lillie Eisenbeis

Lighting the Peace Lamp

L: The light shines in the darkness.

P: And the darkness did not overcome it.

Offering – Outreach and Service Fund

Offertory – *The Gift of Love* (adapted by Hal H. Hopson, arranged
by Lloyd Larson)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Hearing the Old Testament Scripture

Exodus 20:1-17

Hymn – *When Love Is Found*

VT #524

* Hearing the Gospel

Matthew 5:21-37

Sermon – “Healing Relationships”

Corey Miller

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Imagining Prayer

Colossians 3:12-17

Song – *Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God*

VT #653

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

SENT OUT TO PROCLAIM GOOD NEWS

* Song – *Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing*

VT #555

* Blessing

Postlude

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

Jesus continues his revelatory teaching on how the Law is interpreted in Matthew 5:21ff. This morning Jesus' words guide us in developing healthy relationships. Welcome to our worship! We are glad you are here.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for the **Outreach and Service Fund**.

9:00am – Coffee time

9:30am – Sunday School for all ages

10:30am – Worship Service

2:00pm – Fuente de Vida church service

THIS WEEK

Now-June 27 – Lisa Kaufman is on vacation. Charity Ortman is responsible during Lisa's absence.

June 24-July 1 – Pastor Corey will be on vacation

June 28-29 (Fri-Sat) – Church reserved for wedding rehearsal/wedding

NEXT SUNDAY – June 30

Next Sunday we will continue our Summer Series on the Sermon on the Mount. The theme for the morning is “*Peace Witness*” and the texts are Matthew 5:38-48, Jeremiah 29:4-7, and Romans 12:14-21. Stacey Waltner will be preaching.

The offering will be for Mennonite Church USA.

COMING EVENTS

June 30 – Adult SS Lesson on Alternative Service and Peace Witness (LeRoy Epp and guests teaching)

July 11-14 – Youth Service trip to Sienna Francis House in Omaha, NE

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

Happenings over the past week:

- Ardis Jantzen fell last week and broke her hip. Ardis was moved on Tuesday (June 18th) to Oakview Terrace. Her new room number is 329.

- CPMC is happening this weekend in Wayland, Iowa. Delegates from Salem-Zion are Marlan Kaufman, Gwen Ortman, Chris and Carol Eisenbeis, Polly Waltner, and John Epp.

- As part of the stage renovation project, Kerry and Lori Hofer wallpapered in the sanctuary recently. Our thanks to the Hofers for sharing their gifts in this way.

Remember to praise God for:

- our relationships with spouses, neighbors, and friends.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Nita Engbrecht.
- Ardis Jantzen as she adjusts to her new home.
- our CPMC as it meets to study the Bible, fellowship with friends, and listen for God’s work in our churches.

Adult Summer Sunday School continues today: 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. Coffee on at 9:00am.

A WORD FROM THE MILLER’S: As most of you know, these are special days for our family as we continue our preparations for our daughter Hannah’s wedding to Silas Driver. The wedding will take place at Salem-Zion on June 29th and the reception will be on our yard. Regrettably, we are not able to invite all our beloved church to this celebration. Our seating capacity in the barn is 200 and many guests are coming from Virginia, Kansas, and Iowa. We apologize for this but we will invite you all for our annual BBQ in August, where you can see some of the improvements we made in our yard. We continue to appreciate your prayers for Hannah and Silas as they, together with their families, look forward to their special day!

Thank you for your prayers and many expressions of concern following my eye surgery. The procedure went well and I am hoping for my eyesight to improve as I recover. - Eileen Kaufman

As plans for the celebration of the Swiss Volhynian Mennonite immigration to South Dakota fall into place, we will need additional funds to promote these events. Any monetary gifts would be greatly appreciated. The South Church has created an account to fund this celebration. Checks should be made to “Salem Mennonite Church” and given to any of the committee members. - **The 150th anniversary committee** (Corey Miller, Marnette Hofer, Polly Waltner, Gwen Ortman, Everett Waltner and Rudy Brockmueller)

It's that time again for **making cheesepockets for the MCC Sale!** Please mark your calendars down for July 6 at 9am. Please join us for a time of fellowship and making cheesepockets! Any questions please contact Lacey Friesen.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex with **volunteer opportunities for the SD MCC Relief Sale** on July 20.

Community Connections

Rural Revival will meet on Monday, June 24 at 7:30 pm at the Freeman library for the annual meeting, board annual reorganization and election of officers. All are welcome to attend.

Church friends, during our busy summer season, if anyone who is driving to Sioux Falls or Yankton would be willing to **haul some boxes of excess or expired donations to Goodwill** for us, we would be so grateful. Feel free to pull up to our back door, and we’ll load up as many boxes as you have room for. Thank you for your continued support of our work! - Et Cetera Shoppe

The **Freeman Network for Justice and Peace** is hosting its second event of a 5-part series exploring the background history of the current conflict between Israel and Palestine. On Friday June 28 at 7PM in the Freeman Community Center 224 S. Wipf St. Freeman SD, Shaykh Hamzah Maqbul will present on how the different faith communities (Judaism, Christianity, and Islam) interacted with each other throughout history. This event will be live-streamed and recorded. Please follow the Facebook and YouTube pages for the Freeman Network for Justice and Peace for details.

www.facebook.com/FreemanNetworkJusticePeace
www.youtube.com/@FreemanNetworkJusticePeace

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory: An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, but some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: new infant sleepers (6-12 month sizes); hand towels (dark colored); bar soap; bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); wide toothed combs (6-8 inches long); laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha or Zote brands); and shampoo (20 oz min). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or 316.836.5045. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits.

God’s Peace Through our Love: “Don’t forget to love the way you want to be loved, listen the way you want to be heard, speak the way you want to be spoken to, give the way you hope others will give, care the way you want others to care because change doesn’t start with them. It starts right here.” - Madalyn Beck

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