



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

**July 11, 2021**

**Joy Empties**

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – <i>Jesus, Our Divine Companion</i> (arr. Hebble)	Ruby Waltner
Welcome and Bringing Peace	Gloria Graber

Call to Worship (from Psalm 30:4-5,11-12)

L: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones.

**P: Give thanks to God’s holy name.**

L: God’s anger is but for a moment; God’s favor is for a lifetime.

**P: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

L: You have turned my mourning into dancing; You have clothed me with joy.

**P: My soul praises You and will not be silent.**

**ALL: Oh LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.**

Opening Prayer

\* Hymn – *Come, thou fount* (HWB #521)

Celebrating our Mission with SD MCC Relief Sale

## PROCLAIMING

Children’s Story	Diane Ellinger
Hearing the Scriptures	Philippians 2:1-11

Song – *Have this mind among you* (insert)

\* Gospel Reading Mark 10:41-45

Sermon – “Emptying” Corey Miller

Song – *Let this mind be in you* (VT #572; insert)

## RESPONDING

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

\* Sending Song – *Take my life* (HWB #389)

Benediction

Postlude – *Fanfare in C Major* (Purcell)

## Church Calendar

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

### TODAY

Following the example of Christ, joy empties itself in love with humility and grace. Today as we reflect on Jesus’ posture of service and giving, we pray that God’s Spirit will empower us to have the mind of Christ. We are so glad that you have joined us for worship at Salem-Zion.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for our **SD MCC Relief Sale**.

9:00 a.m. – Zoom Adult Sunday School

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

### TONIGHT

**Reporting on Central Plains Mennonite Conference 2021 – 7:00pm**

We invite all to a special meeting at church to hear about what happened at CPMC this year. In addition to listening to the sermon that guest speaker David Fitch offered on the Sunday morning, we will also hear from the delegates and give you an update on what actions happened and how God’s Spirit was moving. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall and refreshments will be served! Join us!

### THIS WEEK

**July 11** - Special Sunday night meeting to share about Central Plains Conference 2021 at 7:00pm

**July 12** - Administrative Board Meeting at 7:30pm

**July 13** - Deacons Meeting at 7:30pm

**Memorial arrangements for Rita Graber:**

A viewing will happen at Walter’s Funeral Home on Friday, July 16, from 5-7pm.

Burial will be on Saturday, July 17th at 9:00am.

Visitation will be on Saturday, July 17, from 9:30am – noon, with a memorial service happening at 10:30am, followed by a fellowship meal.

### NEXT SUNDAY – July 18

Next Sunday we continue our “**Joy Ride**” series based on the book of Philippians. The theme for Sunday is “Joy Shines” and the text is Philippians 2:12-30. Pastor Corey will be preaching.

Offering next Sunday will be for **Christian Peacemaker Teams**.

### COMING EVENTS

**July 22** - Serving at The Banquet

## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

### Happenings over the past week:

- The SD MCC Relief Sale was held yesterday at the Arboretum. Many thanks to all those who helped coordinate the event, those who donated items, and those who served. May God's healing and hope flow through these efforts.
- The Mennonite Convention was held this past week in Cincinnati, OH. Delegate sessions were held on Saturday morning. Our youth were able to enter into this faith formational event.
- Stephanie Goergen transferred her membership to Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls.

### Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Sharon Schmidt.
- our youth as they process their convention experience and implement those insights into their faith.
- an attitude of gratitude for the gracious rain that blessed our fields and gardens this past week. *"You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers and blessing its growth."* – Psalm 65:9-10
- the work of our camps, Swan Lake Christian Camp and Crooked Creek Christian Camp, as they creatively share God's creation.

While special music is not being routinely scheduled this summer, anybody interested in **providing special music in July or August** can contact Kerwin Graber or any other member of the music committee to volunteer.

**June Offerings and Gifts:** Household Treasury - \$13,876.25; Student Tuition Sharing Fund - \$1,532.00; Outreach Fund - \$1,419.00; Ross Richers - \$2,406.00; Deacon Sharing Fund - \$250.00.

**June Household Treasury Report** – Income: \$13,876.25; Expenses: \$11,596.77; Balance: \$19,262.72.

**The Banquet:** Salem-Zion's day to serve at The Banquet is coming up on **July 22**. This year we are serving at the West location. We will need 6 people to help with food preparation and 10-12 people to help serve. Sign up or contact Lillie Eisenbeis if you are able to help with this ministry. Salem-Zion will again be sponsoring the cost of the meal, which will be between \$700-\$1000. Donations can be given to Lillie, Lacey Friesen, or the church office. (Write checks to Salem-Zion with *The Banquet* in the memo). Thank you!

**Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

### God's Peace in Jesus:

"I am convinced that we as church are at a crossroads. We can commit to peace but minimize Jesus because it makes relationships with others easier, or because we're not so sure what we think about Jesus. We can do those things and we can still do good stuff. But if we choose that course, we shouldn't be surprised if our efforts to hold things together are overcome by repelling forces stronger than us." – Meghan Larissa Good

### 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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