



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

July 18, 2021

Joy Shines

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude		Sheila Epp
Welcome and Bringing Peace		Lacey Friesen
Call to Worship	Psalms 100:1-5	HWB #821
Opening Prayer		
* Hymn – <i>Holy God, we praise thy name</i>		HWB #121
Offering – Christian Peacemaker Teams		

PROCLAIMING

Children’s Story		Jeremy Waltner
Bearing Witness to God’s Movement at Convention		Youth
Song – <i>Bring your peace</i>		Youth
Hearing the Scriptures	Philippians 2:12-26	
Meditation – “Shining”		Corey Miller
Song – <i>Longing for light</i>		SJ #54

RESPONDING

Missional Opportunity		Gwen Ortman
Congregational Prayer		
* Sending Song – <i>Heart with loving heart united</i>		HWB #420
Benediction		
Postlude		

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

As Paul continued to encourage his fellow believers in Philippi, he urged them to “*shine like stars in the world.*” Today in our worship, we open ourselves to God’s renewing Spirit to check in on how our lights are shining. We are so glad that you have decided to join us in this holy hour. Welcome.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for ***Christian Peacemaker Teams.***

9:00 a.m. – Zoom Adult Sunday School

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

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

THIS WEEK

Pastor Corey will be on vacation this week, **July 19-25.** If any pastoral needs arise, please contact Janette Epp.

July 22 – Salem-Zion will serve at The Banquet in Sioux Falls

NEXT SUNDAY – July 25

Next Sunday we continue our “***Joy Ride***” series based on the book of Philippians. The theme for Sunday is “Joy Subverts” and the text is Philippians 3. Kate Friesen will be preaching.

Offering next Sunday will be for ***The Banquet.***

COMING EVENTS

Aug. 8 – Miller BBQ, 5:30-8:30pm

Aug. 22 – Salem-Zion Worship at the Arboretum in Freeman at 10:00am

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- The funeral service for Rita Graber was held on Saturday at Salem-Zion.

- The family of Bill Waltner gathered to bury the remains of Kris on Saturday in the Salem-Zion cemetery.

- The trustees gathered for their annual cleaning of the church roof on Thursday. Our amazing trustees are: Andre Eisenbeis, Kyle Waltner, Jay Penner and Jonathan Graber.

- There was a spirit of gratitude for the generous response for the SD MCC Relief Sale held last weekend.

- There was palpable joy in the gift of the gentle rains that blessed our area on Wednesday. God is good to us!

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Virginia Graber.
- our children as they attend camp at Swan Lake Christian Camp. May their experiences draw them into God's love.
- Johnny Graber as he receives chemo treatments in these days. We give thanks that Johnny is feeling better than he was a few months ago.

Offerings in Worship: Last Monday evening, the Ad Board had a discussion about our offerings and it was decided that the offering baskets will remain in the foyer as people gather for worship. The ushers will then bring the offering forward during our offering time and dedicate it to the Lord. IF you forget to place your offering in the baskets before worship, you are welcome to place them in the baskets **at the front of the church** after worship. Whether you send your offerings to the office in the mail or place them in the baskets in the foyer, we thank you. Your joyful and generous giving helps Salem-Zion be faithful in its missional calling.

Miller BBQ returns in 2021! August 8, from 5:30-8:30pm

Everyone is invited to our yard for music, food, games and a whole lot of fellowship. We missed so many things last year, so make plans to come out for an enjoyable evening. Bring your lawn chairs and be prepared to have fun!

Minutes from the May deacon meeting are available on the bulletin board in the narthex.

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.

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.

Community Connections

The **Rural Revival** monthly meeting will be on July 26 at 8 pm in the Freeman Public Library, downtown Freeman.

God's Peace in Jesus:

"If you want to be part of Christian community, if you want to follow Jesus in right relationship with other followers of Jesus, the question before you is not how can we trust one another, but how will we love."

- **Jon Carlson**, speaker at MennoCon21

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-rlBAaS3A>

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