



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

July 3, 2022
God's Love

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Mode of D* (Jean Langlais) Ken Mannes
 Welcome Paul Ortman
 Lighting the Peace Lamp
 Call to Worship (from Psalm 30)
 LEADER: I will exalt you, Lord, for you rescued me.
 You refused to let my enemies triumph over me.
 CONGREGATION: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help and you
 restored my health.
 LEADER: You brought me up from the grave, O Lord.
 You kept me from falling into the pit of death.
 CONGREGATION: Sing to the Lord, all you godly ones!
 Praise his holy name.
 ALL: For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime!
 Weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the
 morning.

Opening Prayer
 * Hymn – *Creation Is a Song* VT #181
 Greeting one another “*Peace be with you.*” “*And also with you.*”
 Children’s Story Beth Bontrager
 Celebrating our Offerings – Household Treasury

PROCLAIMING

Hearing the Old Testament II Kings 5:1-16
 Hymn – *Healing River of the Spirit* #642
 * Hearing the Gospel Luke 9:1-11
 Sermon – “The Rule of God's Love Crossing Cultural Divides”
 S. Roy Kaufman

RESPONDING

Song – *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* (v. 1,2,4,5) #778
 Sharing and Congregational Prayer S. Roy Kaufman
 Sending Song – *The Church of Christ, in Every Age* #395
 Blessing
 Postlude – *Lobe den Herren* (Johann Walther)

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

This morning’s theme is God’s love. As Pastor Corey’s sabbatical begins, we welcome S. Roy Kaufman to the pulpit. We are so glad you are here to worship with us today.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for the **Household Treasury**.

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

THIS WEEK

July 5 (Tues) – Deacons meeting at 7pm
July 9 (Sat) – SD MCC Relief Sale in Freeman

NEXT SUNDAY – July 10

Next Sunday Phyllis Schrag will be preaching on the theme of forgiveness. Various New Testament texts will be referenced, along with Psalm 32:1-5. Next week the offering is for the **SD MCC Relief Sale**.

COMING EVENTS

July 11 – Administrative Board meeting at 7:30pm

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- Ruth Becker died on June 21, 2022 at Good Samaritan Lutheran Manor in Sioux Falls. Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 25 in Sioux Falls.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Helen Tieszen.
- Pastor Corey as he begins his sabbatical.
- the family of Ruth Becker as they grieve.
- Swan Lake Christian Camp staff, counselors and fourth grade campers this week.
- Central Plains Mennonite Conference volunteers who were affirmed to new committees and task groups at our Annual Meeting in June. May the mission and witness of the Kingdom of God through CPMC be enlivened by the energy and wisdom of those willing to serve.

Pastor Corey's Sabbatical: Corey and Nancy will be leaving for Oregon on Monday (July 4th) to visit their good friends, Mike and Marlene Bogard. Later on in July, Corey and Nancy will be traveling around Kansas and delivering the message at Tabor Mennonite Church, where he had spent 13 years as pastor. Look for pictures from Bobblehead Corey to keep you informed of all sabbatical activities.

This Sunday and next Sunday (July 3 and 10), a **love offering** will be received for the Elizabeth Janssen family.

The SD MCC Relief Sale will be held in Freeman on Saturday, July 9. A sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex outlines various volunteer opportunities; **several slots remain open**. If you have questions, please contact John Epp, Salem-Zion's SD MCC Relief Sale representative.

Additional SD MCC Relief Sale Reminders:

- There is still time to **make a theme** basket for the silent auction. No registration needed.
- **July 1: Deadline** to register for the bike ride/walk; later registrations and walk-in's will be accepted.
- **Friday, July 8, 5pm:** Relief sale **set up time** (approx. 1-1/2 hours & includes pizza)
- **Friday, July 8, 6:00-8:00 pm:** Bring Live & Silent Auction items and booth items (bake sale, craft, etc.) to Pioneer Hall; bring **pies** Friday 6-8pm or before 9am on Saturday.
- **Friday, July 8, 7pm:** bike ride/arboretum walk (registration at 6:30pm)
- **Saturday, July 9:** Bring your coins for the MY COINS COUNT food project
- **New this year: Only donations will be received for meals and booth purchases. Donations can be made in cash or with the use of a buyer number.** Buyer numbers are needed for the auctions. A donation container will be available in each booth but **there will be no cash boxes** so no change will be available for those paying in cash.
- DO NOT CALL Freeman Academy with your questions; contact Edie Tschetter at 660-2714 or 925-7009.

June Offerings & Gifts: Household Treasury - \$4,552.00; Family First UG DVBS - \$1,033.00; Outreach & Service - \$200.00; Ross Richer Fund - \$125.00; Student Tuition Sharing Fund - \$100.00; MC USA - \$575.00; CPMC - \$1,728.00; MCC - \$50.00.

The July **church newsletter** is available on the table in the narthex.

June Household Treasury Report – Income: \$4,522.00; Expenses: \$12,958.00; Balance: \$4,949.50.

Living 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

Nicknames the topic for July 10 museum program: When settlers arrived in this community nearly 150 years ago, many were using nicknames. Sometimes the nicknames reflected a trait or distinguishing feature, and very often they helped distinguish people with identical names. In Art Graber’s 1980 book, “Swiss Mennonite Ancestors and Their Relationship,” 21 Peter Grabers are listed, some with the same middle initial, prompting the necessity of nicknames.

Heritage Hall Museum & Archives is sponsoring a program on the nicknames that emerged among the Swiss-Volhynian Mennonites. On Sunday, July 10 at 3 p.m., Ellen Ortman will be sharing her research and compilation of common, popular – and some more obscure – nicknames, in “A Century and a Half of East Freeman Nicknames.” Ortman, a lifelong community resident, is a regular volunteer at the museum archives.

Originally planned to be held at the historic Bethel Church on the Freeman museum complex, with the recent surge of Covid-19 in the area, the program will be held at the Salem-Zion Mennonite Church east of Freeman in order to enable social distancing.

Admission will be charged; HHM&A members receive a discounted rate.

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>

For **pastoral care needs** during Pastor Corey’s sabbatical, please contact the deacons.

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