



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

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## August 26, 2018 Stewardship of Land

*“The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it...” – Psalm 24:1*

### GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Gathering Songs

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| 1. <i>Morning has broken</i>               | HWB #648 |
| 2. <i>O Lord, our Lord, how majestic</i>   | HWB #112 |
| 3. <i>Come, now is the time to worship</i> | SJ #9    |

Welcome Corey Miller

Call to Worship Psalm 24 HWB #815

Opening Prayer

### PRAISING GOD

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| * Hymns – <i>This is my Father’s world</i> | HWB #154 |
| <i>God of the earth, the sky, the sea</i>  | HWB #53  |

Greetings and Announcements

Children’s Story Corey & Baptism Candidates

Receiving New Members HWB #794

Special Music Austin and friends

Offering our gifts – Deacon Sharing Fund

### HEARING GOD’S WORD

Hearing the Scriptures Genesis 2:4b-8, 15 and Luke 12:42-48

Sermon – “Stewarding God’s Earth” S. Roy Kaufman

### RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Song – *Rain down* SJ #49

Communion

Congregational Prayer

\* Sending Song – *God of the Bible* SJ #27

\* Benediction

\* Congregation please stand. If standing is difficult, please remain seated.

## Church Calendar

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

### TODAY

The earth is the Lord’s, but we are called to take care of it. We are glad to gather at camp today to reflect on how we might be faithful caregivers to this beautiful land on which we live. We thank S. Roy Kaufman for bringing the message and for providing input during our weekend retreat. Welcome to our worship.

9:00 a.m. – Baptism

10:00 a.m. – Fellowship time and cinnamon rolls

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

### **“Celebrating Giving”**

The deacon sharing fund is available to assist individuals and families who have a financial need. In 2017 this fund assisted five families with over \$6000 including matching grants received through Everence. Please continue to support this ministry of Salem Zion.

### THIS WEEK

Aug. 29 (Wed) 7:00 p.m. – Joint meeting of deacons and administrative boards at the South Church

### NEXT SUNDAY – September 2

Next Sunday we will begin a new series called “*Pathways*.” Taken from the Future Church Summit at Mennonite Church USA, the Pathways theme will guide us in our journey forward of following Jesus. The focus of our worship is: *Knowing God’s Deep Love*. The texts are Ps. 24, Gen. 1, and Eph. 3:14-20 and Corey will be preaching.

**Greeters:** Duane & Marlys Tieszen; **Organist:** Sheila Epp; **Offering:** Mennonite Disaster Service; **Nursery Care:** Tina Graber & Paul Ortman

### COMING EVENTS

Sept. 5 7:00 p.m. – Pathways study

Sept. 5 8:00 p.m. – Worship committee meeting

Sept. 6 7:30 p.m. – Outreach and Service committee (minutes are in church mailboxes of committee members)

Sept. 9 Noon – Selection process kickoff potluck

Sept. 9 PCRC meeting following the potluck

Sept. 10 7:00 p.m. – Administrative Board meeting

Oct. 27-28 Harvest Mission Festival with Joe Sawatzky from Mennonite Mission Network

## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

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### Happenings over the past week:

- Caleb Epp recently moved to Kansas to take a new job at Bethel College in food services. We wish him well in his new job in this new season for him.
- The memorial service for Vera Schrag was held yesterday at Salem-Zion.

### Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Sharon Schmidt.
- Vera Schrag's children, Ruth, Anne, Stephen and David as they remember their mother's faithful life.
- continued stewardship practices of God's land that honor God.
- Shalom Mennonite Church in Eau Claire, WI, as they say farewell to Pastor Adam (and Fjaere) Harder Nussbaum. Pray for the congregation as they discern their leadership needs for the future.

### Remember to thank God for:

- the new life in Christ that happened today in the baptisms of Kaitlyn Epp, Ashlyn Benjamin and Josie Epp.

**Devotionals for 14 Scriptures:** I am so grateful for the 9 devotionals that have been submitted. Two of them have been offered by our children. We are about one month away before the October 1 deadline so I would urge you to put something together sooner than later, before harvest and fall season roll in. I know you have stories, perspectives and faith, so I challenge all of Salem-Zion to work on a devotional on any of our Top 14 texts. Your words and thoughts will inspire and nurture our faith as we grow in unity in the Body. Thanks so much. Pastor Corey

**College students:** Please submit any new contact information to the church office by Sept. 3. Thank you!

**PATHWAYS study coming in September!** From the Future Church Summit that happened at the delegate assembly in Orlando in 2017, Mennonite Church USA is encouraging all churches to study the *Pathways* curriculum that endeavors to move us forward as a church. At Salem-Zion, we will have a series of Wednesday night meetings where we will look at this together (**Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26**) and then on Sunday mornings, we will be highlighting the themes from the previous week.

There is still time to register for the **Central Plains Women's Retreat** at Swan Lake Christian Camp, September 15 & 16, 2018! Heather Coaster Goertzen will speak on the theme "Empowered, Embodied, Beloved". Come

to listen, reflect, and celebrate each other as women of faith. Cost: \$95 which includes meals, camp fees and women retreat expenses. See poster and registration forms in the narthex. You can also find details of the weekend on the Facebook page [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CPMWOMEN](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CPMWOMEN). Registration due September 7.

## Community Connections

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**Rural Revival** will hold its monthly meeting at 8 pm at the Freeman Public Library on Monday, August 27. Come see what we're all about!

**The Et Cetera Shoppe** is looking for people interested in continuing our tradition of making loom rugs from items that would otherwise be discarded. Weaving is a great job for anyone who enjoys working with their hands, or being crafty with fabric. A rug can usually be made in 3-4 hours. This is a flexible position, and can be done when other volunteers are around to visit with, or during quiet times when you just want to listen to music! The strips are already cut and sewn together, all we need is someone to weave them! To express interest, call the shop at 925-7098 or stop in and visit with the manager on duty.

Creating Hope -- Discover MEDA's inspiring and sustainable approach to alleviating poverty in over 60 countries. Learn more about what connects you with fellow farmers and entrepreneurs around the world. On **Tues., Aug. 28**, enjoy homemade ice cream from Berrybrook Organics and casual conversation with MEDA staff, including senior director of resource development, Mike Miller, associate development officer and Freeman native Vanessa Hofer, and MEDA supporter Bob Engbrecht. Join us! 7pm at the Prairie Arboretum Interpretive Center. To RSVP, contact Vanessa at [vhofer@meda.org](mailto:vhofer@meda.org) or text 605.321.1884.

### Practicing the Peace of Christ:

Those who are at war with others are not at peace with themselves.

- William Hazlett

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