



Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

September 11, 2022

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C-Major*
(Dietrich Buxtehude) Sherilyn Ortman

Welcome Sheila Epp

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship – "In This Very Room" (Ron and Carol Harris)

Opening Prayer

* Hymn – *God of the Fertile Fields* VT #750

Greeting one another “Peace be with you.” “And also with you.”

Celebrating our Offerings – Central Plains Mennonite Conference

Children’s Story Lacey Friesen

PROCLAIMING

Special Music – Lacey Friesen, Judy Graber, Kerwin Graber, Andre Eisenbeis

Hearing the Old Testament Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Sermon – “From Desire to Generosity” Lyle Miller

RESPONDING

Song – *Take My Life, That I May Be* VT #760

Sharing about Mennonite Disaster Service Tim Schrag

Sharing and Congregational Prayer Sheila Epp

* Sending Song – *God, Whose Giving* VT #745

* Blessing

Postlude – *Consecration* (John Ness Beck)

Church Calendar

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

TODAY

This morning we welcome Lyle Miller, Everence Stewardship Consultant, to the pulpit. We are so glad you are here to worship with us today.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Central Plains Mennonite Conference**.

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

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

2:00 p.m. – Fuente de Vida church service & SDMDS annual meeting

THIS WEEK

Sept. 12 (Mon) – Administrative Board meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 16 (Fri) – Fuente de Vida church service at 7:00 p.m.

Sept. 17-18 (Sat-Sun) – CPMC Women’s Retreat at Swan Lake Christian Camp

NEXT SUNDAY – Sept. 18

Next Sunday Nathan Epp will be preaching and the scriptures for the morning are I Timothy 2:1-7 and Luke 16:1-13.

Next Sunday’s offering is for **Mennonite Education Agency**.

Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

Happenings over the past week:

- The church roof was replaced because of hail damage this spring. The work was done on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Dorothy Preheim’s memorial service was held at Salem-Zion yesterday, September 10.

Remember to pray for:

- those who cannot be here today: Bernie Koller.
- healing and patience for Mary Mannes as she recovers from recent surgery.
- those who will attend the Women’s Retreat at Swan Lake Christian Camp next weekend. May it be a weekend of rejuvenation, fellowship and learning.

The Selection Committee is starting to work on compiling the **Fall selection ballot**. If you no longer wish to serve in a certain position please let one of the committee members know. Today, September 11, is the deadline. The committee members are Tim Graber, Clara Graber and Malynda Penner. Thank you!

You are invited to attend the **South Dakota Mennonite Disaster Service annual meeting** this afternoon at 2:00 pm at the Salem-Zion Mennonite Church. MDS Region 3 personnel will be sharing project stories.

Minutes from the July Deacon meeting have been posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

August Mission Fund Offerings and Gifts: CPMC - \$1,030.00; MC USA - \$155.00; SD MCC Relief Sale - \$5.00; AMBS - \$1,116.00; SLCC - \$2,217.00; CPT - \$50.00.

Mennonite Women's Retreat is at Swan Lake Christian Camp, September 17-18. Please see the flyer in the narthex for more information or the Central Plains Mennonite Women Facebook page. Sign-up is through the Swan Lake Christian Camp website.

The **Salem-Zion Committee Structure Task Force**, developed by the Administrative Board, has been, and is currently, meeting with committees to discuss their workload, common skill sets, what they would like to do more of, tasks they would be okay with letting go of, or other ideas, hopes, questions or concerns regarding restructuring our committees at Salem-Zion. If you are not currently on a committee or have not had an opportunity to speak with somebody on this Restructuring Task Force please feel free to reach out to us with your input: Jay Penner, Lori Ortman, Elizabeth Janssen, Charity Ortman and Dan Graber. In the coming months we hope to engage the congregation in more interactive dialogue.

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.”

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