

Adult SS Classes

- *Salt & Light* meets in the library
- *Acts* by NT Wright: Discussion over ch. 6 & 7

MYF

- **TODAY** – Bible Study with Gary Brose & Chad McClanahan, 6:00-7:30 PM
- **May 11** – Juniors assist with prep for Senior Breakfast
- **May 12** – Senior Breakfast



This week please remember in prayer Jeff & Amy Eubanks and Pauline Wyse

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Jim Miller, Opal Reschly (hearing), Melba Widmer (surgery recovery), Sheldon Miller (surgery recovery), Sandy Koehler (Kathy Roth's sister), Cindy Harms, Roni Stowers, Sharon Jennings (Brooke Kleese's grandmother), Randy Roth, Carol Long

To better provide care for those in the hospital, please contact Pam or an elder if you or a family member are (or will be) hospitalized.



The oil lamp is lit every service as a reminder to pray for peace and for the people of our world who are caught in war and violence.

CPMC Prayer Request Pray for the work of the Pastoral Leadership Committee of Central Plains Mennonite Conference. We pray for wisdom and courage as they develop and walk alongside both new and experienced pastoral leaders.

MMN Prayer Request Robin Gingerich, of Mennonite Mission Network, has served as an administrator and teacher at LCC International University in Lithuania since 2001. She requests prayer for wisdom, patience and kindness among faculty, staff and students, as they complete the school year. Pray also for an end to the war in neighboring Ukraine.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$2,007; General Fund \$150



May 5, 2024



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We welcome all to this place
for worship of God and for Christian fellowship.
Let us worship God in spirit and truth,
reaching out to one another in Christ's love.

9:15 AM: Sunday School

10:10 AM: Fellowship Time

10:30 AM: Worship

Live Stream: <https://tinyurl.com/SCMLiveStream>
facebook.com/sugarcreekmennonitechurch

Worship Leader: Pam Gerig Unruh

Song Leader: Kathy Roth

Music: Abbey Shelman

Gathering

WB 25 Jesus, stand among us

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Worship – Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 100 Praise him, praise him!

WB 544 When we walk with the Lord

Hearing the Word

Scripture Reading: Acts 20:7-12, p. 107

Message: Tamara Zechin, "Stop! No More Going Through the
Motions"

Responding

WB 545 Be thou my vision

Elder Lot Selection

Offering: Home Missions (5/12 Missions)

Sharing & Prayers

Sending

Benediction

May the Lord, Mighty God

Thank you to Mark & Linda Boshart for serving as ushers today.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Nathan Luitjens, Graduation Sunday

SUGAR CREEK NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Extension: Sugar Creek will be hosting a meal fundraiser to benefit MCC on May 22, 2024 from 5-7 PM. A free-will donation will be accepted. A sign-up for desserts and bars has been posted on the north bulletin board. For questions, contact Lori Miller.

Fellowship: Please see the signup to provide cookies on May 26: signupgenius.com/go/4090E45AEAB2DA0FA7-48304975-sugar

Children's Summer Sunday School: Get ready for an exciting summer at Sugar Creek! Join us as we bring all primary and junior classes together for a unified experience. Parents, teachers, and MYF kids, sign up for a Sunday to teach – the lessons are entirely up to you! Need inspiration or assistance? Reach out to Katy or Tawnya. Let's make this summer unforgettable!
signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4FA8AC29A5FB6-49325426-childrens#

VBS: Register now for VBS! <https://bit.ly/SCWMVBS2024>
"Seekers in Sneakers" VBS will be June 3-7 from 8:30-11:30 AM. Check out the VBS bulletin board on the east wall of the foyer for sign-ups for rolls, cookies, and prayer partners. Thank you!

TODAY

- 4:00 PM: Youth Baptism Class, MYF Room
- 6:00 PM: Anabaptist Conversation, MYF Room

MONDAY, MAY 6

- 6:30 PM: Adult Membership Class, MYF Room

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

- 7:00 PM: Worship Planning, MYF Room

FRIDAY, MAY 10

- Elders Meeting

SUNDAY, MAY 12

- Graduation Sunday; no fellowship time

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

- 7:00 PM: Church Council, MYF Room
- 7:00 PM: WACO Baccalaureate, HS Gym

SATURDAY, MAY 18

- 7:30 PM: WACO Graduation, Football Field

SUNDAY, MAY 19

- Pentecost

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AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Central Plains: Central Plains Annual Meeting isn't just for delegates and pastors (although if you are a delegate, youth delegate or pastor and haven't registered--register now!)--All are invited to Wayland, IA, June 20-23 to worship, learn, fellowship and discern together! Visit our website to learn more and to register by June 10! www.centralplainsmc.org

Crooked Creek Christian Camp: Summer Camp registration is open! Visit our website now to see dates: crookedcreekcamp.org/summer-camp-registration.html. Sugar Creek will cover half of registration fees!

Join us for a weekend of intergenerational activities and fun at family camp, June 6-9! For more information and to register, visit our website: crookedcreekcamp.org/family-camp.html.

CCCC is looking for volunteer kitchen help for summer camp! Sign up for your preferred date and time. Thanks for your support in this way! signupgenius.com/go/10C0C45A9A729A3FD8CF8-48436036-2024#/

As summer approaches, we are still without a food service manager, yet have a full calendar of guests at the Retreat Lodge. That means that we need YOU! Gather your friends, Sunday School Class, cousins, or your college roommates to come cook for a weekend. We'll provide the menus, recipes and food--all you need to do is prepare and serve it to our thankful guest groups (without whom we wouldn't be able to offer Summer Camp). It will be fun! For more information or to volunteer, contact Amanda Bleichty or Heather Bender at 319-653-3611.

Crowded Closet: Mark your calendar for the Crowded Closet Association Meeting. The biannual informational gathering for all supporters of Crowded Closet is hosted by the Board of Directors. Monday, May 20th at 6:15 pm. Crowded Closet Thrift Shop, 851 Hwy 6 E, Iowa City.

Hillcrest: Spring Music Concert - The Spring Music Concert will be held on Sunday, May 19 at 4:00 pm in Celebration Hall, under the direction of Mikayla Tackaberry. This performance will feature the 6th Grade class, Instrumental Ensembles, and a final performance for the Touring Choir.

Graduation Activities - The 77th Hillcrest Academy Graduation Activities will take place on May 25, 2024 in Celebration Hall. A combination Baccalaureate and Commencement service will be held on Saturday evening, May 25 at 6:00 PM with speaker, Lyle Miller. Lyle is a Stewardship Consultant for Everence (and lifelong Twins fan). He and his wife, Bonnie (Hostetler) reside in Goshen, IN and both are proud class of 1984 alumni.

Host Family - Hillcrest Academy is looking for a family to host a World Link foreign exchange student during the 2024-25 school year. Hosts can be single or married with young children, no children, teenagers, or grandchildren. Students are selected based on their leadership qualities and academic performance and the program provides the student's medical insurance, pays school fees and expenses, and gives the student a monthly allowance. Please contact the local coordinator Holly Beinhart at 641-295-5003 or hollybeinhart@gmail.com for more information or if you are more comfortable contacting the school, please email Rebecca Beachy Miller at rbeachymiller@hillcrestravens.org.

Bus Drivers - Hillcrest Academy is in critical need of shuttle and bus drivers. As we continue to add more grades, we have more kids who need transportation whether it's from Iowa City or Washington or to extracurricular activities. Please contact Rebecca Beachy Miller at rbeachymiller@hillcrestravens.org to learn what you need to do to become a driver.

Iowa Mennonite Historical Society: Michael Zahs' presentation at the spring MHS meeting can be seen on YouTube using this link: <https://youtu.be/QflzWshzyiY>

MCC: May 26-31: Restorative Justice Peace Camp for young adults (Chicago, Illinois) - This peace camp will dive into creative ways to implement justice in local communities. Learning from experienced restorative justice practitioners in Chicago, we will witness incredible ways that transformation is possible through restorative justice. Register today! mcc.org/events/restorative-justice-peace-camp

Iowa Peace Network: Feel free to register and join these weekly recurring Zoom meetings:

- *Praying for Peace with Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP):* CMEP Invites you to join them in praying for peace in Israel and Palestine, Wednesdays 11:30AM-12PM CST. cmepe.org/wednesday-prayer/
- *Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP) Weekly Briefing:* CMEP is holding a weekly briefing of current news regarding the Hamas and Israel war, Thursdays 9-9:30 AM CST. cmepe.org/thursday-briefing/

MCUSA: For the months of April and May, Mennonite Church USA will focus on addressing climate justice concerns, through its Learn, Pray, Join initiative, “Climate Justice: Seeking Shalom.” Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/lpj/climate-shalom View the PDF here: mennoniteusa.org/pdf/lpj-climate

MC USA’s Climate Justice Ministry is hosting a webinar titled, “Faith, Food, Soil and Climate,” on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 2 p.m. ET/11 a.m. PT. Five panelists will explore how growing and sharing food can provide nourishment for mind, body and spirit, while building healthy soils, lowering greenhouse gas emissions and creating more just and resilient communities. The webinar is part of MC USA’s current Learn, Pray, Join initiative, Climate Justice: Seeking Shalom. Register here: mennoniteusa.org/webinar/registration-climate-may13 View the PDF here: mennoniteusa.org/pdf/lpj-climate3

Pastor Suzette Shreffler, White River Cheyenne Mennonite Church, Busby, Montana, and Pastor Sandy Drescher-Lehman, Wild Church gatherer, share a prayer and a blessing, respectively, crying out for better stewardship of God’s creation. These resources are part of MC USA’s Learn, Pray, Join initiative, Climate Justice: Seeking Shalom series. Read it here: mennoniteusa.org/cries-for-better-stewardship

Jenny Gehman, spiritual director and east coast representative for Mennonite Women USA, reflects on her own journey to spiritual direction and the holy hospitality she has experienced. Read her Menno Snapshots blog here: mennoniteusa.org/spiritual-holy-hospitality

Mom Café: Join us the third Tuesday evening of every month from 6-7:30pm at Saint Alphonsus Catholic Church in Mount Pleasant. If you have any questions, please reach out to Tamara Zechin at 319-217-2456. Hope to see you there!

Parkview Home: Parkview would like to extend an invitation to anyone with Piano playing ability to come in and play for the Residents. We have both an Organ and Piano adjacent to our dining room. We would love to have a noon meal-time piano playing session, once in a while, for the Residents enjoyment. Anything is possible and would be very welcome at Parkview Home. Please have anyone interested to call: 319-256-3525 and ask for Jerilyn Winga. Thank you.