



This week please remember the following people in prayer:

Robert, Vickie and Bryce Achen.

Pray for those dealing with medical

issues: Benjie Roth, Lucinda Gill (Tamara Zechin's mom), Linda Unternahrer, Kathy

Yoder, Dick Yoder, Gerry Widmer, Maddie Yeager, Tom Simpson (Donna Delzell's brother), Tim Detweiler, Lydia Rotzinger and Cindy Harms (daughter of Gerald & Mary Jo Freyenberger).

Central Plains: We give thanks for the year that is gone, and pray for a new year of spiritual growth, deeper love, and greater discipleship in each of our lives and in our congregations.

Mennonite Mission Network: Deb Byler of Mennonite Mission Network has just returned to Guatemala after three months on North American Assignment. Pray for her as she continues to work with Mennonite women in Bible studies, trauma healing, and leadership training.

The oil lamp by the organ: is a prayer reminder from the



Committee on Peace and Social Concerns. It will be lit for every service as a reminder to pray for peace and for the people of our world who are caught in war and violence.

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

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 123

Offering: General Fund: \$2,837.51; Home Missions: \$2,350;

Parkview: \$134.78.



January 5, 2019

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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.

8:45 am: Prayer in the Prayer Room
9:15 am: Sunday School
10:10 am: Fellowship Time
10:30 am: Worship

Worship Leader: Bryce and Abbey Shelman
Song Leader: Kathy Roth
Piano/Organ: Mattias Luitjens

Gathering

Welcome
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 229, *Lord, you have come to the lakeshore*
WB 638, *God is working his purpose out*

Hearing the Word

Come & See Children's Story by Rachele Luitjens
Scripture: Mark 1:21-45 (NT pg.27)
Message: Rachele Luitjens, "Bringing wholeness"

Responding

WB 523, *Dear Lord and father of mankind*
Offering: Home Missions (1/12 Education)
Announcements
Sharing and Prayers

Sending

Benediction
"May the Lord mighty God"

Thank you to Mat, Karma & Olivia Leichty for serving in the nursery today.
The nursery is available during Sunday school and church for children 2
years of age and younger.

MYF News

- Jan. 5 - 6pm - Bible Study with Neil & Renae Reichenbach

NEXT SUNDAY

- Nathan Luitjens, Mark 2:1-22 (NT pg.28)

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8th

- **Mennonite Women:** project is Sewing Kits. Devotions- "A Voice Within: Crippled Sister and Julia" (Luke 13:10-17). There will be sack lunch and dessert provided.

THURSDAY, Jan. 9th

- **Worship Planning Meeting:** 6PM in MYF room.

FRIDAY, Jan. 10th

- **Elder's Meeting:** 9:30AM in the MYF room.

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Thank-you to Clara Schmitz and Matthew Leichty for going to Winterfest at Crooked Creek Christian Camp this weekend! They spent the weekend with 15 youth in grades 6-8.

Lost and Found: Our Lost and Found has grown this past 2019. We are hopeful that 2020 will bring homes to all lost items. If you think you may have lost or misplaced something, please take a look. Thank you!

Contact Information Update: It's that time again! You will find a yellow flyer in your mailbox or extras placed on the shelf by the north bulletin board in the foyer. Please take a moment to fill it out and update our contact information for you. We are asking they be returned to the front office or via email by no later than 1/31/20. Thank you for time.

ALL CHURCH ANNUAL CELEBRATION!!! January 12th following the church services. We will get together to eat a catered meal and celebrate all that happened in and through our church during the 2019 year.

AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethel Church is hosting a hands-on, biblically based seminar:

"4 Chair Discipling" presented by Jeff Polen. This seminar focuses on training ordinary Christians to be faithful in Jesus' charge to make disciples. This seminar is for all who are, or hope to be, teachers or mentors. Join us on Saturday, February 1st from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm; lunch is provided. Registration is required by January 22nd; call 319-256-8531 or email: bethel.wayland@gmail.com. Cost is \$25 for materials, payable the day of the seminar; doors open at 8:30 am

Mennonite Central Committee: 2020 is your year to go on an MCC Learning Tour! Travel to Haiti March 21-28 to learn about root causes of Haiti's reality and see MCC projects in person. Join MCC Bolivia in celebrating 60 years with two learning tours, May 2-9 will focus on Eastern Bolivia and Oct. 10-17 will focus on Western Bolivia. Finally, you're welcome to travel to Nicaragua, July 20-30, to celebrate the centennial of MCC, focusing on past and present MCC work in Nicaragua and Costa Rica. Contact jordanpenner@mcc.org and check mcc.org/events for more details.

Hillcrest Academy: 75 Year Anniversary Cookbook. One of the ways we will be celebrating our anniversary is by publishing a cookbook full of recipes, stories, and photos from the past 75 years of our school. And we need your help to create this book! Please submit your recipes AND stories to recipes@hillcrestravens.org by Jan. 31 and we will take care of the rest (photos or scans of recipe cards are acceptable). Please send questions to the same email or ask your churches committee rep.

Mennonite Missions Network: Want to utilize your skills while learning about another culture? Walk together in mission with our partners around the world through an international service term. Explore opportunities at www.MennoniteMission.net/Serve.

What will you do after high school? Be informed about your options! Come visit a current service unit during the Service Adventure preview weekend, Feb. 20–23, 2020. Contact Susan Nisly for more information: SusanN@MennoniteMission.net

MCUSA: Register now for Hope for the Future 2020, a Mennonite Church USA people of color event. Registration is open through January 15 for this Anabaptist networking and equipping event being held in Arlington, Texas on Jan. 24-26. Hope for the Future gathers leaders of color from church and related ministries to

explore the ways that power, privilege and racism function in our denomination. For more information, visit <https://cvent.me/IVENAm>.

Mennonite Church USA has announced several staff transitions, welcoming Caleb Benner of Kansas and Camille Dager of Pennsylvania to its Communications team and Roberta Yoder of Indiana to the Archives. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/36eK3Ns>.