Intergenerational Adult SS Class

Led by Pastor Kent McDougal

- TODAY How the Church Lost its Politics
- Nov. 27 The Theological Foundations of Worship (cont.)

MYF News

- TODAY Bible Study, DARE TO BE... 5-7 PM@SC Church
- Nov. 27 OFF

JYF News

- Nov. 30 Lesson: Evil, 6:30-8 PM, Wayland Basement
- Dec. 7 Lesson: Christmas, 6:30-8 PM, Wayland Basement

This week please remember in prayer Rudy & Deb Roth and Arlene Wenger

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Dale Swartzendruber (declining in health), Carol Long (cancer treatments), Myndell Boshart, Cindy Freyenberger Harms (cancer treatments), Pauline Wyse, Thomas Bennett, Jean Letts, Martha Marsh

Best wishes to Bob & Karen Meyer in their new home! Their address is: 1700 Country Club Dr., Coralville, IA 52241

Pray for the leaders and youth involved in JYF, and MYF. Pray for God to bless the leaders with wisdom, understanding, and love for the youth they lead. Pray for God to bless the children and youth with willing hearts and the chance to be examples to others.

CPMC Prayer Request We pray for Suzette and Scott Shreffler as Suzette was licensed toward ordination and she and Scott were installed as pastors at White River Cheyenne Mennonite Church, Busby, MT last Sunday. We pray for God's blessing on the ministry that Scott and Suzette and White River Cheyenne Mennonite share.

MMN Prayer Request Alfonsina and José Oyanguren, who are serving through Mennonite Mission Network, have lived among Indigenous communities in Argentina's Chaco region since 2004. Pray for them as they promote Indigenous culture and languages through Bible-study materials and educational opportunities, among other ministries of presence.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$2,070; General Fund \$1,771.79; Education \$954



November 20, 2022

Sugar Creek

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November 20, 2022

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: Mike Roth

Song Leader: MYF

Piano/Organ: Mattias Luitjens

<u>Gathering</u>

Welcome

Lighting the Christ Candle – Jr. Dept.

Jesus, Be the Center Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Praising

Come into His Presence Confession of Sin/Passing of the Peace WB 521 Come thou fount

Hearing the Word

First reading: Colossians 1:11-20 (NT p. 155)

Gospel text: Luke 22:33-43 (NT p. 66)

Message: Kent McDougal, "Forgetting When We Are"

Responding

Come to the Table of Grace

Offering: Home Missions (11/27 Conference/LC)

Announcements, Sharing & Prayers

<u>Sending</u>

Benediction

You Shall Go Out with Joy

NEXT SUNDAY

• Kent McDougal, 1st Sunday of Advent, Matthew 24:36-44

SUGAR CREEK NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Bulletin: Next week's bulletin will be printed Wednesday morning due to Thanksgiving. Please submit all announcements by Tuesday evening. Thank you!

Community Thanksgiving Meal: There are still a few pans in the foyer to be filled with mashed potatoes. Please sign up, take a pan, and return full, hot pans to the WACO HS between 7:30-10 AM on Thursday, November 24. Contact Lisa Graber with any questions. Thank you!

Fellowship Time: Please use this link to sign up and provide cookies during Fellowship time – dates are available December–February! signupgenius.com/go/4090e45aeab2da0fa7-sugar4
You may also contact Michelle Meyer to sign up. Thank you!

MCC Meat Canning: There are several open shifts to volunteer for meat canning on December 8 & 9 in Kalona. See the north bulletin board in the foyer, and to sign up. Contact Larry Graber with any questions!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

• 11:00 AM: Parkview Devotions, Maria Roth

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

• 11:00 AM-1:00 PM: Community Thanksgiving Meal, WACO HS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- 9:30 AM: Worship Planning, MYF Room
- 2:00-6:00 PM: Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall. Contact Lori Miller to donate

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

• 10:30 AM: Christmas Program, with Wayland Mennonite

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

- No Sunday School
- 10:00 AM: Christmas Day Worship Service

Thank you to Garry & Lori Leichty for serving as ushers today.

NOVEMBER 20, 2022 AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Christmas Gift Program: The Christmas season is here and this year there is a great need in our community. The Community Christmas Program helps struggling families by providing gifts for their children. This year we've had a greater number of families reach out for help. We need people who are willing to help us with this endeavor. If you would be willing to shop for a child or a family please contact Chris Conrad at 319-217-0035. Thank you for your generosity.

Crooked Creek Christian Camp: The CCCC Online Auction is coming soon! Items will be on display for preview at the CCCC Retreat Lodge, December 2 and 5 from 9AM-4PM and December 3 from 10AM-2PM. Bidding for the auction opens December 6 at 11AM and closes December 11 at varying times; each item will have its ending time listed, and will display a countdown to closing.

Crowded Closet: Crowded Closet Thrift Shop invites you to a live, virtual celebration of 50 years of MCC Thrift! Crowded Closet is one of over 85 shops in the MCC Thrift network. The event celebrates the history, creativity and generosity of the MCC Thrift network. Over the last 50 years, MCC Thrift has raised more than \$250 million for the work of MCC at home and around the world—all while providing affordable secondhand goods and community connection. Celebrate that legacy with friends at Crowded Closet on Tuesday, November 22 at 7pm in the volunteer breakroom. For a link to attend the virtual event from home, contact Volunteer Coordinator, Christine Maust Beachy, 319-337-5924 or crowdedcloset.volunteer@gmail.com.

Hillcrest: Are you a teacher who has a passion for working with middle school aged children and through critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity can create a joyful learning environment where all students feel known, loved, and respected? Maybe this is you? Or maybe this is a teacher you know? Either way, we are excited for you to check our *6th Grade Teacher job description* at hillcrestravens.org/joinourteam.

Fall Visit Days are days where 8th graders and transfer students are welcome to visit Hillcrest Academy for the day. Come shadow a student and see what we're all about! Lunch will be provided. Upcoming Visit Days are on Wednesday, November 23 8:00 AM-1:55 PM and Monday, November 28, 8:00 AM-3:15 PM. Please sign up at hillcrestravens.org/5-8events.

The Ravens boys basketball teams will be hosting Regina Catholic on Saturday, November 26 in *The Achieve Challenge* (a statewide community service initiative for Iowa schools and their basketball programs). The JV game tips off at 4:30 PM with the varsity game to follow. Admission to the event is \$5 along with one non-perishable/canned food item, which will be donated to the local food pantries. The Kalona and Wellman food pantries are seriously low on items so your donations are very much needed and appreciated. An additional \$2 will be charged if no food item is brought in. Sorry no passes for this event.

Holiday Concert: The Ted Yoder Band will be performing a holiday show on December 17, 2022 in Celebration Hall on the campus of Hillcrest Academy. Ted is a national champion on the hammered dulcimer and will be accompanied by marimba, bass, and percussion. Come and experience this refreshingly unique show. Tickets at badangleevents.org

MCC: *MCC*'s *Buckets of Thanks* are filling up, but keep the supplies coming, we've got A LOT of buckets to fill! After making your donation of relief kit supplies to MCC, make sure you sign up to track MCC's next shipment of relief kits as it travels the world! You will receive updates at each check point, including when the kits reach their final destination to be distributed by an MCC local partner in Jordan to Syrian refugee families and vulnerable Jordanians. Donate all the items in a relief kit or pick just a few items to donate – all items are helpful and necessary to complete a relief kit bucket. Kit supplies can be dropped off or shipped to: MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton, KS 67117. Find out more at mccbuckets.org.

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory: An MCC kit cannot be shipped until every single item for the kit is assembled, but some supplies are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by helping to fill the following needs: New infant onesies and sleepers (3-12 month sizes); shampoo (20 oz or more), thin sanitary pads (28 count minimum) and dark colored bath and hand towels. Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring item to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact katemast@mcc.org or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits.

Free resource: Learning about generosity with MCC! Make talking about generosity with your children easy by using this free resource. The printable worksheets help kids explore the basics of generosity at an elementary

school level. The resource contains downloadable worksheets, activity ideas, a story about how generosity makes a difference, make-your-own bookmark craft and alternative Christmas gift ideas. Click here to sign up: mcc.org/free-resource-learning-about-generosity-mcc.

MCC Sale: On January 23 at 7pm at the Kalona Mennonite Church, a special meeting will be held to hear the ideas that come from you for a new avenue to raise funds for Relief. If you don't plan to attend in-person please share your thoughts with a board member or your congregational representative and encourage their attendance at the meeting. Please remember that our current sale was started by people who used what they were passionate about to raise funds for others. How passionate are we to help others? We will see you on January 23!

MCUSA: MennoCon23, Mennonite Church USA's largest faith formation gathering, will be held July 3-8, 2023, in Kansas City, Missouri. There will be programming for all ages, including a one-day Climate Summit for youth and young adults. See the tentative block schedule here: mennoniteusa.org/dates-location-mennocon23

In this blog, Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, speaks out against the tokenization of immigrants and people of color. "Over and over in our system, those in the dominant culture have used immigrants and other people of color as political pawns to justify their bias, insecurity and phobias." Read his reflection here: mennoniteusa.org/tokenizing

Artist Mandy Martin of Salford (Pennsylvania) Mennonite Church created "Justice Grows in the Garden" for Salford 2022 Gardening for Peace event, featuring RAWtools, a ministry partner of Mennonite Church USA. See Mandy's art and video here: mennoniteusa.org/justice-grows-garden

Casa Alterna, is a ministry of hospitality that serves asylum seekers who have recently arrived in the U.S. It's co-founder, Anton Flores-Maisonet, reflects on the story of one of the asylum seekers that he had the privilege of welcoming to his house. His story is part of Mennonite Church USA's Learn, Pray, Join: Mass Incarceration" initiative. Read it here: mennoniteusa.org/b-attitude

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