



This week please remember the following people in prayer: Wilbur & Debbie Leichty and Scarlett Gerot.

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Benjie Roth, Dick Yoder, Gerry Widmer, Maddie Yeager, Tom Simpson

(Donna Delzell's brother), Tim Detweiler, Lydia Rotzinger and Judy Roth.

Central Plains: Pray for your sister churches in North and Central Iowa, Cedar Falls, Des Moines, Christ Community, and Manson.

Mennonite Mission Network: requests prayer for the Anabaptist youth in Burgos, Spain, as they prepare for their annual Origen conference. Over the years, many lives have been transformed through the Origen experience. Pray that God would use this year's event to touch lives needing healing and hope.

In order to better provide 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.



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.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 134

Offering: Missions: \$4,141; Home Missions: \$3,000;

Special Projects/HVAC: \$2,200; Parkview: \$350; Education: \$300;

General Fund: \$300; Hymnal Fund: \$225; Coins for Camp: \$84.92.



February 2, 2020

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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: Bob & Karen Meyer
Song Leader: Nathan Luitjens
Piano/Organ: Maddy Farmer, Deedra Graber & Kylie Miller

Gathering

Welcome
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

Praising

Amazing Grace
Turning over tables
Special Music: Katherine Hallett

Hearing the Word

Scripture: Mark 5:21-43 (NT pg.30)
Message: Rachelle Luitjens, "Breaking Barriers"

Responding

WB 545, Be thou my vision
Offering: Home Missions/ Loose Change (2/9 Missions/ LC)
Announcements
Sharing and Prayers

Sending

Benediction
The Lord lift you up

Thank you to Mike & Maria Roth Family for their help in the nursery today.
The nursery is available during Sunday school and church for children 2
years of age and younger.

MYF News

• Today - SOUPER BOWL SUNDAE FUNDRAISER.
Everyone is invited to join the MYF for lunch following church.
We will be serving a variety of soups, salad and yummy ice
cream sundaes! Donations will go towards our upcoming trip
to DOOR Denver in June.

NEXT SUNDAY

• Nathan Luitjens, Mark 6:1-29 (Pg. 31)

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 5th

• **Mennonite Women:** Project: Offering for Mennonite Women USA
Scholarship Program. Devotions- "A seat at the table: Mary& Ella."
(Luke 10:38-42). There will be a sack lunch with dessert provided.

• **JYF:** VALENTINE PARTY POTLUCK with Parents!! Meeting at
Wayland Mennonite Church. Supper is at 6p.m. Meeting begins
approximately 6:44p.m. Every family please bring a Potluck Dish to
share (hot dish, side dish, salad). Dessert, Drinks & Table Service
will be provided. Playing Valentine Bingo and Decorating Cookies.
Devotions: Diane

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Women – join us for a study titled Church of the Small Things on
Tuesday mornings at 9:30am beginning on February 4th. We will
meet for 6 weeks and there are no books or sign-up needed.

Our goal, to raise \$7780.00 for the new furnace in the sanctuary is
getting close. As of last Sunday we have donations totaling
\$6525.00. We need \$1255.00 more to reach our goal. Thanks to all
who have been so generous!

Crooked Creek Christian Camp: The kids here at Sugar Creek will
be collecting coins during offering time from January 26-February
23 during offering. The money raised will go to our family fun night
that we as a church use later on at Crooked Creek Camp. Thank
you for your generosity and supporting our fellowship time together
at the camp!

MMN Prayer Vine: Please help yourself to a copy of February's
Prayer Vine placed on the east wall in the foyer.

AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hillcrest Academy: Singing Valentines- The Hillcrest Academy Acapella groups will be performing Singing Valentines again this year on Fri, Feb. 14th. Each Singing Valentine will also include a small (4 piece) box of Kalona Chocolates. The price is \$35. The groups are directed by Mike Wagner. Call the school office (319-656-2073) by Mon, Feb 10th to schedule.

Central Plains Conference: On January 31, 2020 Marcia Yoder Schrock and Firman Gingerich concluded their time of serving as Interim Executive Ministry staff for Central Plains Mennonite Conference. As Central Plains makes our journey to future full-time executive ministry leadership be assured that we are prepared to meet leaders and congregational needs. Contact information follows for those looking for Conference resources or seeking direction. Shawn Nolt, Moderator snolt7@gmail.com (402) 364-3493; John Murray, Assistant Moderator john.murray951@gmail.com (620) 951-0176; Amanda Bleichty, Conference Minister for Christian Formation amandableichty@centralplainsmc.org (319) 325-4522; Susan Janzen, Conference Minister for Ministerial Leadership, susanjanzen@centralplainsmc.org (319) 610-1007.

Mennonite Mission Network: There's still time to sign up to join the Mennonite Mission Network Alumni & Friends Service-Learning Tour. From March 7-14, we will serve alongside our Service Adventure partners in Jackson, and our SOOP partners in Meridian and Mashulaville, MS. We will also be taking in Civil Rights experiences by hearing from an activist and going to the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum, as well as other sites. Email AlumniTrip@MennoniteMission.net for more information.

MCUSA: Mennonite Church USA is inviting everyone to focus on climate justice this month through its "Learn, Pray, Join" initiative. Discover how you can get involved at mennoniteusa.org/news/climate.

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) recently released the report from the Membership Guidelines Advisory Group, a 21-person volunteer group that was commissioned by the MC USA Executive Board to generate options for how to best discern the future of the Membership Guidelines. Read about it here: <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/report-guidelines>

Mennonite Church USA signed a letter to Congress expressing grief at "the current rise in violence between the U.S. and Iran," and urging Congress "to pass legislation that will bring us back to the negotiating table with Iran." Read the letter here: mennoniteusa.org/iranletter - #BringThePeace

What is the answer to those concerned about war? Prompted by a question from his son, Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, shares his thoughts on how to respond and on our role as a "peace church." Read his blog at: mennoniteusa.org/concerned-about-war