

Intergenerational Adult SS Class

Continued discussion on Christian worship.

MYF News

- **TODAY** – Service at Crowded Closet & Keiran's hockey game, leave church at 1PM
- **Feb. 8** – Bring items to church for Soup'er Bowl, 7-8 PM
- **Feb 12.** – Soup'er Bowl Lunch Fundraiser (8:30 AM-2 PM), serving 11:30 AM-1 PM

JYF News

Grounded: Wisdom for Real Life from Proverbs & James
JYF meets from 6:30-8PM in the Wayland Mennonite Church Basement. Upcoming dates:

- Feb. 15
- Mar. 1
- Apr. 5



This week please remember in prayer Urb & Marc Roth and Hortensia Unternahrer

Pray for those dealing with medical issues:

Jane Miller (hip surgery recovery), Carol Long (cancer treatments), Myndell Boshart, Gary Conrad, Cindy Freyenberger Harms (cancer treatments), Pauline Wyse, Thomas Bennett, Jean Letts, Martha Marsh

In order to better provide care for those in the hospital, please contact 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 Randall Koehler, pastor of Hutterthal Mennonite Church in Freeman, SD, who is being ordained today. Pray for God's blessing on the ministry that Randall and Hutterthal share.

MMN Prayer Request Today, Hope for the Future's three-day conference concludes in Atlanta, Georgia. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Mennonite Black, Indigenous and People of Color leaders, as they return to their congregations and communities, strengthened by worship and fellowship. Pray also for White allies to work toward God's justice.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$1,196; General Fund \$500



"You Are..."

February 5, 2023



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Elders Office Hours: Wednesday, 9-11AM

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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: Ledru Freyenberger

Song Leader: Anita Swartzendruber

Piano/Organ: Morgan Meyer

Gathering

Welcome

Announcements

Silent Worship – Lighting of the Christ Candle

WB 36 God of our strength

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Praising

Create in me a clean heart

Confession

WB 226 You are salt for the earth

Hearing the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a (OT p. 533)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-20 (NT p. 3)

Message: Kent McDougal, "You Are..."

Responding

What Does the Lord Require of You?

Offering: Missions (2/12 Home Missions)

Mission Moment

Advocate Blessing

Sending

Benediction

STJ 73 The Lord lift you up

NEXT SUNDAY

- Nathan Luitjens

SUGAR CREEK NEWS

Coins for Camp: The month of February we will be collecting Coins for Camp. Money raised from this fundraiser will be used to purchase new climbing wall equipment and swimming pool supplies for CCCC. Our church could be awarded a free two hours in the activity center or at the pool if we raise \$450 or more, so bring extra change for the kids to collect during offering!

Save the date! Vacation Bible School will be held June 5-9, 2023. More details to follow.

Sunday School: Beginning March 5, we will be offering two adult Sunday School options. The Bereans/Pathfinders and Agape/Shalom will be studying from Salt & Light. The remaining classes will be having a discussion time led by Kent with the topic to be determined. Please know if you prefer one option over the other you are welcome to attend either class. We look forward to strengthening our community through increased participation in Sunday school. We'd love to have you join us. More information will be coming.

SUGAR CREEK UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

- **9:00 AM:** Parkview Worship
- Advocate luncheon following church, Fellowship Hall, hosted by Christian Ed. We will be assembling and delivering care packages for college students and seniors

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- **11:30 AM – 1:00 PM:** MYF Soup'er Bowl Sundae Fundraiser Lunch, Fellowship Hall. Free will donation toward summer MYF trip to Kansas City for #MennoCon23 convention

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- **6:00 PM:** Elders Meeting, MYF Room
- **7:00 PM:** Church Council Meeting, MYF Room

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- **9:00 AM:** Worship Planning, MYF Room

Thank you to Sheldon & Lori Miller for serving as ushers today.

FEBRUARY 5, 2023
AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cradle of Hope: The Annual Banquet is coming up! Tamara and Kevan Zechin are hosting a table at the banquet and would love if you could join them. The banquet is April 15 at FCOC. Seating begins at 5:30 PM and the banquet begins at 6PM. Tickets are free, but there will be an opportunity to give at the end. Cradle of Hope is a valuable ministry in our community and this banquet is especially important as they plan to open a Mother's Home. Please contact Tamara if you are interested in attending the banquet.

CCCC: As Crooked Creek Christian Camp prepares for future growth - both in the short and long term - we, the camp staff and board, are inviting our supporting churches, friends and families to have a voice in this process. We ask that each congregation assemble a group(s) of supporters to prayerfully and respectfully answer some survey questions. We invite small groups, Sunday school classes, etc. to be a part! The survey has been emailed to your camp rep, pastor, and church office, please reach out to one of them for the survey. We look forward to hearing from you during this process!

Coins for Camp is the month of February – bring your extra change for donation! The money raised from this fundraiser will be used to purchase new climbing wall equipment and swimming pool supplies. As an added incentive to collect coins, we are offering a free 2 hour pool party or 2 free hours in the Activity Center to your church if you can raise \$450 or more!

Craft Retreat will be held March 3-5. A super fun way to spend your weekend! Come craft with us. To register visit our website at www.crookedcreekcamp.org

Hillcrest: Pray for Us! It's an exciting time to be a part of the Hillcrest community and we thank you for considering to join us with purposeful prayer. Please pray for God's leading to fill faculty and staff positions, wisdom for the middle school team as they plan for new students and families, discernment for tuition and financial planning, and God's love and guidance for students, faculty, staff, and board members. Visit docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeUm1DUtO2txaLUdkiz1Y41cDKnoUcDYdTbufUENBrIq0ah0A/viewform to select prayer options. Questions, email hillcrestpto@hillcrestravens.org.

Open Gym for 5th-8th graders on Sunday, February 12 from 2:00-3:30 PM (please note time change). Activities include: basketball, volleyball, matball, dodgeball, etc. Mitchell Drey (Hillcrest Academy Girls Basketball Coach) will head up the activities. Please bring a water bottle. Sign up at hillcrestravens.org/5-8events to join in the fun.

Leave the childcare to us on Valentine's Day! On February 14 from 5:00-8:00 PM, drop your kids off at Highpoint Church while you enjoy the evening. We will provide activities and snacks for children ages 1-12. Suggested donation of \$25 per child will benefit the Hillcrest Academy (Service And Learning Term) mission trip to Costa Rica. Please RSVP to Sierra at scheney@hillcrestravens.org.

The annual *Chili Supper* is hosted by the Hillcrest Academy senior class and has been a tradition since 1960. The historic menu of chili, cheese sandwiches, potato salad, and pie or other dessert varieties, along with the Mexican soup, Pozole [po'sole], will be served on Saturday, February 18 from 4:30-7:00 PM in Hillcrest Union (gymnasium). Cost per meal is Adults \$10, Seniors 65+ \$9, Children age 4-12 \$5, age 3 and under free. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time from ANY Hillcrest Academy student or at the door. Takeout is available.

IF:Gathering Women's Conference is just under two months away! We'd love if you can join us March 3rd thru 4th at the Burlington Capitol Theater. This year, we're going to remind each other that we have what we need, because the Lord is our Shepherd. We're going to bring each other back to the basics, rallying around the fact that God made us, equipped us, and prepared us for good works. We're going to recognize there's a cost to this way of living, but prove that it's still worth it. And we're going to walk away really clear on our mission to serve God and disciple those around us. We are excited to be preparing for you all & praying you are able to gather with us! Register here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUvCdShW72sel6sFNZBVbtmjSGxFqKrNaQbrqHE5ZEEDbaWg/viewform>

MCC: MCC is seeking a *Donor Relations Associate*. This role is responsible for assisting in the implementation of the donor relations strategy for MCC Central States by stewarding major donors involving face-to-face contact to meet the budgeted income goals and generate the necessary resources to accomplish the mission

of MCC. This is a full-time position; office location is flexible. Apply online by February 24 at mcc.org/donor-relations-associate. For more information contact Amber Falcón at 574-534-4133 or amberfalcon@mcc.org.

MCC Central States annual meeting, March 4 from 1-3 p.m. at MCC in North Newton, Kansas. This will primarily be an in-person event, but if you would like a link to join via Zoom please email tinaschrag@mcc.org for the link.

Volunteer with MCC Thrift today! You can support the relief development and peace work of Mennonite Central Committee AND your local community when you volunteer at your local MCC Thrift shop! By volunteering, you'll make friends, gain work experience, and help make a difference in your community and around the world. From sorting to pricing to working the cash register, we've got a job that's right for you. Sign up to volunteer thrift.mcc.org/volunteer!

MCC Sale: Because we are not having an MCC Sale, the quilt committee has found a way to get quilts to the Kansas or Nebraska MCC sales. Quilts are needed by March 1st so they can be processed and advertised. Collection points and contacts will be arranged. MARK them well. Must have name of quilt, history if any, donor name. For more information call: Donna Rinner 319-256-3961, Karalee Martin 319-461-3018, or Karen Mast 319-256-7651. Thank you for supporting MCC.

MCUSA: It is with great sadness that Mennonite Church USA announces the passing of James ("Jim") Frederick Schrag, 78, pastor, leader and first executive director of the denomination, on Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023, in North Newton, Kansas. Read more about his life of service here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mourns-first-executive

February is Black History Month. Be sure to check out Mennonite Church USA's timeline honoring "Black History in the Mennonite Church." mennoniteusa.org/resource/black-history

Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Central Committee are partnering in a new, four-part webinar series on mass incarceration, beginning Feb. 7 at 7:30 ET/4:30 PT. Join us to learn about the ways the faith community is actively understanding and working against these complex systems of confinement. Learn more and register here: mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars

Registration for MennoCon23 will open on March 1. Mennocon23 will be held in Kansas City, Mo., July 3-6, immediately followed by the Mennonite Church USA Delegate Assembly and the new Youth and Young Adult Climate Summit. Subscribe to MC USA's PeaceMail weekly newsletter for the latest updates. Mennoniteusa.org/peacemail

Mom Café: The next meeting of Mom Café will be Monday, February 13 from 6-7:30 PM at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church. Come enjoy snacks and drinks, games, conversations and prayer/worship time together. All moms are invited and welcome. At this time, we do not have childcare provided. If you have questions, give Tamara (319-217-2456) or Amy (507-696-0838) a call or text. You can also join our Facebook group - Mom Cafe. Invite your friends!

Parkview: Parkview Home is looking for a great person to join our team as a full time cook. To apply, contact Ron Semler: 319-256-3525 or parkviewwayland@gmail.com.