

MYF News

- **Today** - 6 pm - Bible Study with Russ & Becky Yoder - "Jesus feeds 5000" Devotions - Lindsey Roth.
Snack - Lindsey Roth
- **March 8** - 6 pm - Bible Study with Rachelle Luitjens - "The Good Samaritan" Devotions - Zach Schmitz.
Snack - Zach Schmitz & Kohl Hildebrand
- **March 15** - Spring Break - NO MYF
- **March 22** - Sharing by Clara Schmitz & games at CCCC Activity Center. Details TBA soon!
- **March 29** - 6:30 pm - Youth AND Parent Meeting in the Fellowship Hall with updates on DOOR Denver, review itinerary and fill out paperwork.



This week please remember the following people in prayer: Jared, Tawnya, Brecken and Tenley Achen.

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Dick Yoder, Gerry Widmer, Maddie Yeager, Tom Simpson (Donna Delzell's brother), Tim Detweiler, Lydia

Rotzinger, Brian Baldosier (son-in-law to Mary Jo Richard), Jean Roth, Toban Josiah Zechin, Lynn Koch and Sharon Stauffer.



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: 108

Offering: Home Missions: \$4,980; Missions: \$200;

Parkview Home Assoc.: \$50; Coins for Camp: \$82.08.



March 1, 2020

SUGAR CREEK MENNONITE CHURCH

P.O. Box 146, Wayland IA 52654

Office/Answering machine/Fax Phone: 319-256-6061

Website: sugarcreekmennonitechurch.org

Email address: sugarcreekmc@gmail.com

Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-1pm

Pastors: Nathan & Rachelle Luitjens-Home:319-254-2479

Nathan Cell: 319-461-6505 (nathanluitjens@gmail.com)

Rachelle Cell: 319-537-1976 (rachelleitjens@gmail.com)

Elders: Debbie Leichty: 319-750-1687 (leichtyd@farmtel.net)

Lowell Unruh: 319-759-1958 (lkunruh@gmail.com)

Matt Slagel: 319-430-6741 (slagelm@gmail.com)

Mar. 1, 2020

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: Corey & Dana Oswald
Song Leader: Annette Boshart Von Tersch
Piano/Organ: Abbey Shelman

Gathering

Welcome
Call to Worship
Confession of Forgiveness
Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 12, *Come, let us all unite to sing*
WB 96, *We plow the fields and scatter*
Offering: Home Missions (3/8 Missions)
Announcements
Sharing and Prayers

Hearing the Word

Scripture: Mark 10:17-31 (pg. 35)
Message: Rachelle Luitjens "How much is too much"

Responding

WB 454, *Seed, scattered and sown*

COMMUNION

Sending

Benediction
Move in our midst

Thank you to Corey & Renae Farmer for serving in the nursery today during Sunday School and Church. The nursery is available during Sunday school and church for children 2 years of age and younger.

Baskets for the Elder's Sharing Fund, are at the back of the sanctuary today. The Elders Sharing Fund is used at the discretion of the Elders to take care of special needs of individuals and families in the congregation and community.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Mar. 3rd – Woman's Bible Study, is CANCELLED this week but will resume on Tuesday, March 10th.

Wednesday, Mar. 4th – Mennonite Women Meeting: Project: Des Moines Layettes. Devotions- "A light in every eye: Jochebed & Dolores" (Exodus 1:22-2:10). There will be a salad luncheon. Des Moines Layette items: Warm blanket, comforter or quilt, receiving blanket, gown (size small or 8 lbs. and up), sleeper (size small or 8lbs. and up), and Undershirt or onesies (size small or 8 lbs. and up).

NEXT SUNDAY

- Nathan Luitjens, Mark 10:32-52

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Nathan & Rachelle will be out of the office next week from Tues. March 2-5, attending the Pastors and Leaders week at AMBS.

Lent at Home Worship Guides are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary for families. If there are none there and you would like one, please contact the church office.

From text to sermon: This is a bible study on how to prepare a Sermon lead by Nathan. This is a four week study that will be held every Tuesday, beginning March 10th in the MYF room.

Easter Lilies: Anyone interested in purchasing an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one to be used in the sanctuary at Easter, please let Michelle Meyer or Debbie Leichty know by March 22nd. There will also be a sign-up sheet on the North bulletin board. Purchase price for a lily is \$11.00.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast, will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 6am on Wed. March, 25th. All men are invited to fellowship, eat and pray for our church, our community, the country and the world.

Upcoming: We will have our annual family event at the Crooked Creek Christian Camp activity center on Sunday, March 22nd.

Ann Blosser, is relocating to Parkview this week and would enjoy visiting with anyone who can stop by.

VBS: The dates for VBS this summer are Mon. June 1st through Thurs. June 4th, from 5:30pm until 8pm. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact: Jami Miller at (319) 217-0282 or Renae Farmer at (319) 653-8881.

AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Waco Community Food Pantry: The local food pantry is in critical need of donations of several items necessary to provide adequate nutrition to families in our community. Please consider donating from the list placed on the north and south bulletin boards.

The Cradle of Hope: is holding a banquet to raise support and awareness of their ministry. It will take place on April 4 at 5:30pm in Mount Pleasant. Tamara Zechin is hosting a table. If you would like to join her, please contact her at 319-217-2456.

Crowded Closet: The biannual Crowded Closet Association meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday, March 16th at Sugar Creek. All volunteers and any other interested persons are encouraged to attend this informative meeting.

J-POG (Just Peace Outreach Group), invites you to view Hebron, a documentary by Palestinian filmmaker Yousef Natsheh. Palestinians have lived in their homeland for centuries, but we seldom hear the stories of ordinary people struggling with olive harvest, access to education, and home demolitions. Join us at 7 pm on FRIDAY, Mar 13, 2020, at Hillcrest Academy, 1421 540th St SW, Kalona, IA to view the film with discussion following. For more information, please contact Roger Farmer at 319-653-2547 or Jane Yoder-Short at wilmajane17@gmail.com.

CCCC: 2020 marks Crooked Creek Christian Camp's 40th anniversary! We are so excited to celebrate 40 years of God's faithfulness. Be on the lookout for ways we will be celebrating this year. We thank you for your continued support and prayers for Crooked Creek!

Hillcrest Academy: Hillcrest Academy Prospective Family Night, On Mon, Mar 9 from 6:30-8:00 PM. Transfer students, 8th graders and their parents are invited to get all the information about Hillcrest Academy that you need. Learn how Hillcrest can be affordable for your family, check out available classes, extra-curricular activities and more. Visit hillcrestravens.org/admissions/visit-campus/ to RSVP.

MCC: You invited to join the fun at the 13th annual MCC Comforter Blitz on March 2, 3 and 4 at Journey Mennonite Church at the Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Blitz times are Monday and Tuesday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, and Wednesday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC, an organization that supports the work of MCC. For more information check out mcc.org/comforter-blitz.

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/climat.

Lent is a time of purposeful turning toward God. Remember God's faithful, loving presence and connect with the Rock of our salvation using the free, downloadable Lent At-Home 2020 Worship Guide. <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/lent-at-home-2020>

"What's your creation care story?" This is the question Katie Isaac, a Climate Futures Fellow for the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions in Harrisonburg, Virginia, asks in her blog, as she challenges us to reframe our conversations about climate justice from politically polarizing discussions to biblically based stewardship language. Read more at: <http://mennoniteusa.org/carestory>

Please pray for the Allegheny Mennonite Conference: Spring Faith and Life Gathering and the Ohio Conference annual meeting taking place this Saturday.

Central Plains: Give thanks for 20 years of the Ecuador Partnership! Pray for the partnership meetings on March 5-8 and for the partnership visit to Zábalo and the rainforest after.

Mennonite Mission Network: Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission and Mennonite Mission Network, partner agencies, praise God for the success of the Congo Mennonite Literacy Project and the hope it gives to the 3,000 people (mostly women) who have learned to read. Pray that leaders will be given the resources they need to continue this work.

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

AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Waco Community Food Pantry: The local food pantry is in critical need of donations of several items necessary to provide adequate nutrition to families in our community. Please consider donating from the list placed on the north and south bulletin boards.

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

The Cradle of Hope: is holding a banquet to raise support and awareness of their ministry. It will take place on April 4 at 5:30pm in Mount Pleasant. Tamara Zechin is hosting a table. If you would like to join her, please contact her at 319-217-2456.

Crowded Closet: The biannual Crowded Closet Association meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday, March 16th at Sugar Creek. All volunteers and any other interested persons are encouraged to attend this informative meeting.

J-POG (Just Peace Outreach Group), invites you to view Hebron, a documentary by Palestinian filmmaker Yousef Natsheh. Palestinians have lived in their homeland for centuries, but we seldom hear the stories of ordinary people struggling with olive harvest, access to education, and home demolitions. Join us at 7 pm on FRIDAY, Mar 13, 2020, at Hillcrest Academy, 1421 540th St SW, Kalona, IA to view the film with discussion following. For more information, please contact Roger Farmer at 319-653-2547 or Jane Yoder-Short at wilmajane17@gmail.com.

CCCC: 2020 marks Crooked Creek Christian Camp's 40th anniversary! We are so excited to celebrate 40 years of God's faithfulness. Be on the lookout for ways we will be celebrating this year. We thank you for your continued support and prayers for Crooked Creek!

Hillcrest Academy: Hillcrest Academy Prospective Family Night, On Mon, Mar 9 from 6:30-8:00 PM. Transfer students, 8th graders and their parents are invited to get all the information about Hillcrest Academy that you need. Learn how Hillcrest can be affordable for your family, check out available classes, extra-curricular activities and more. Visit hillcrestravens.org/admissions/visit-campus/ to RSVP.

MCC: You invited to join the fun at the 13th annual MCC Comforter Blitz on March 2, 3 and 4 at Journey Mennonite Church at the Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Blitz times are Monday and Tuesday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, and Wednesday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC, an organization that supports the work of MCC. For more information check out mcc.org/comforter-blitz.

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.

Lent is a time of purposeful turning toward God. Remember God's faithful, loving presence and connect with the Rock of our salvation using the free, downloadable Lent At-Home 2020 Worship Guide. <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/lent-at-home-2020>

"What's your creation care story?" This is the question Katie Isaac, a Climate Futures Fellow for the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions in Harrisonburg, Virginia, asks in her blog, as she challenges us to reframe our conversations about climate justice from politically polarizing discussions to biblically based stewardship language. Read more at: <http://mennoniteusa.org/carestory>

Please pray for the Allegheny Mennonite Conference: Spring Faith and Life Gathering and the Ohio Conference annual meeting taking place this Saturday.

Central Plains: Give thanks for 20 years of the Ecuador Partnership! Pray for the partnership meetings on March 5-8 and for the partnership visit to Zábalo and the rainforest after.

Mennonite Mission Network: Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission and Mennonite Mission Network, partner agencies, praise God for the success of the Congo Mennonite Literacy Project and the hope it gives to the 3,000 people (mostly women) who have learned to read. Pray that leaders will be given the resources they need to continue this work.

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

