

Adults: Discussion Class

- Ch. 6 of *Resident Aliens: Life in the Christian Colony* by Stanley Hauerwas and William H. Willimon.

MYF

- **TODAY:** Bible Study in the MYF Room, 6-7:30 PM
- **10/27:** Bible Study in the MYF Room, 6-7:30 PM

JYF

- **Wednesdays:** 6-8PM at the Wayland Mennonite Church Basement for a meal, some games, and Bible study.



This week please remember in prayer Nathan, Rachele, Mattias, Keiran & Tristan Luitjens

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Pauline Wyse, Kathy Roth, Jan Widmer Hadley, Opal Reschly, Hannah & Josiah Creamer, Cindy Harms

Pray for Iglesia Menonita Centro Cristiana, the Hispanic church plant in Washington, as they witness, preach, and teach the Word.

CPMC Prayer Request Pray for your sister churches in the Quad Cities area cluster: Casa de Oracion Emanuel, Iglesia Cristiana El Balsamo, Iglesia Menonita Centro Cristiano, Iglesia Torre Fuerte, Templo Alabanza and the El Buen Pastor church plant.

MMN Prayer Request On Tuesday, participants will embark on Mennonite Mission Network's first Just Peace Pilgrimage to South Africa. Pray for them as, for the next two-plus weeks, they will immerse themselves in the country's struggle against apartheid and wrestle with the church's role in upholding racial segregation in South Africa and the United States.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$6,700



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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: Mike Roth

Song Leader: Tamara Zechin

Music: Elyssa Graber

Accompanist: Kathy Yoder

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Preparation

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 112 O Lord, our Lord, how majestic

WB 16 God is here among us

Hearing the Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:22-36 (p. 12) *[please stand]*

Message: Pam Gerig Unruh, "Cast, Crew or Extra?"

Responding

WB 395 Here I am, Lord

Offering: Missions (10/20 Home Missions)

Sharing & Prayers

Sending

Benediction

May the Lord, Mighty God

Thank you to Mark & Linda Boshart for serving as ushers today.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Pam Gerig Unruh

SUGAR CREEK NEWS & EVENTS

CROP: The WACO CROP Drive 2024 will be taking place from October 6 to November 3 with a goal of \$35,000. Please give generously when contacted by a CROP Canvasser. Thank you!

Extension: Sugar Creek has volunteered to provide JYF meals for this month. Please let Lori Miller know if you are able to provide a meal for 15-20 on October 16. Thanks!

For the CCCC 5th Annual Online Auction Fundraiser in December, they are requesting themed gift baskets from each congregation. Baskets are due by November 8. Let Lori Miller know if you are interested in putting one together.

Fellowship: Please use the signup link for cookie time, or contact Mary Jo Richard: signupgenius.com/go/4090E45AEAB2DA0FA7-50902927-sugar

Pastor Appreciation: October is Pastor Appreciation Month! "Dear brothers and sisters, honor those who are your leaders in the Lord's work. They work hard among you and give you spiritual guidance." – 1 Thessalonians 5:12 NLT

TODAY

- **9:00 AM:** Parkview Worship

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

- **11:00 AM:** Parkview Devotions
- **11:30 AM:** Lunch Bunch, Fellowship Hall. Bring a friend!
- **7:00 PM:** Church Council, MYF Room

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

- **9:15 AM:** Baptism Testimonies in the Fellowship Hall, followed by fellowship time. Children's Sunday School as usual. Join us in celebrating the baptisms of Jaden Ecklund, Maddie Farmer, Brenna Graber and Morgan Meyer during worship.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- Weekend with Pastoral Candidate and Potluck following church

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- **9:00 AM:** Mennonite Women, Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- **9:00 AM:** Parkview Worship
- Pam's last day

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AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CPMC: Save the Date! CPMC and the Ecuador Partnership will host a 10-day service trip and learning tour to Riobamba and Quito, Ecuador from February 28 - March 9, 2025. We are looking for up to 10 volunteers. The group will assist the Anabaptist Mennonite Christian Church of Ecuador (ICME) churches in Riobamba with building projects for their respective facilities. This falls over the Carnival holiday week, so we look forward to many of their church members participating, too. More details coming soon. If any interest, please complete this form by November 3, to receive all future communications regarding the trip: forms.gle/5TFyMUR6g2Bo9Jjz6. Questions? Contact Joel Beachy (joel.beachy@eastunionmennonite.org).

A special opening is planned for *Voices of Conscience*, a traveling exhibition created by the Kauffman Museum of Newton, Kansas, and now on display at Hillcrest Academy. The display tells the stories of men who refused to fight during WW1. The opening celebration will be held after Hillcrest's Fall Music concert on Sunday, October 20th. Come and view the thought-provoking exhibit.

Cradle of Hope: Monday, October 14th is "Community Impact Night" at Mt. Pleasant Pizza Ranch. Come on out to eat some good food and see our Cradle Team. 10% of the sales & all tips come to us!

CCCC: We have lots of exciting events coming up this fall! Save the date and join us.

- October 15 - Lunch and Lecture, 9:30 am at the Retreat Lodge. Jan Eichelberger Hochstetler will be sharing about her new book, *Always More to Learn*. Registration now open on our website: crookedcreekcamp.org/senior-day-registration.html
- November 1-3 - Fall craft retreat at the Retreat Lodge. Registration now open on our website: crookedcreekcamp.org/craft-retreat-registration.html
- November 12 - Annual SIMCA member meeting
- December 3-8 - Online auction fundraiser

Crooked Creek Christian Camp is currently hiring for housekeeping assistants! Join the Crooked Creek cleaning crew that helps maintain and clean our buildings. Our facilities wouldn't look the same without these incredible behind the scene workers that wipe, sweep, mop, and more to help give guests the best camp experience. This position is part-time with flexible hours. Visit our website for more information and to apply.

Crowded Closet: Crowded Closet Thrift Shop is hiring for a new position, Volunteer Engagement Assistant (part-time), to support our expanding volunteer community. As Crowded Closet Thrift Shop experiences growth, so does our volunteer team which currently includes around 400 active volunteers. Crowded Closet is adding a Volunteer Engagement Assistant to support the coordination and recruitment of volunteers. Contact Christine Maust Beachy, Volunteer Manager, crowdedcloset.volunteer@gmail.com or 319-337-5924.

Crowded Closet seeks an experienced leader to fill the role of Director. Learn more about this position at crowdedcloset.org/director. Apply by October 25.

Hillcrest: Here is the link for the October issue of *The Bridge*: mailchi.mp/150e5d284a5b/the-bridge-october

Harvest Party - On Saturday, October 19 4:30-7:00 PM, the FFA will be hosting a Harvest Party for 4th-8th Graders. We'll provide a light supper and there'll be games and other goodies. We'll be outside, so please dress accordingly. And bring a friend! Sign up at hillcrestravens.org/4th-8thevents by Sunday, October 13.

Fall Concert - The concert will be held on Sunday, October 20 at 3:00 PM in Celebration Hall, under the direction of Mikayla Tackaberry and Aura Strohschein. The performance will feature both vocal and instrumental ensembles.

Kalona Chocolates Fundraiser - The Hillcrest Academy sophomore class will be selling Kalona Chocolates until November 15 to be delivered just in time for the Christmas holidays. See a sophomore to buy chocolates or visit our website at hillcrestravens.org/kalonachocolates.

FFA Fruit Sales - Our FFA students will be selling fruit through November 15. Fruit can be ordered from any FFA member or by calling the school office. Fruit will be delivered around the second week of December.

Iowa Mennonite Historical Society: Please join the Iowa Mennonite Historical Society in their fall meeting at Hillcrest Academy on Monday evening, October 14, at 7 pm. The program will center around local World War I conscientious objectors and the exhibit, *Voices of Conscience*, from the Kauffman Museum in North Newton, Kansas, about WWI COs will be open for viewing.

Iowa Mennonite Museum and Archives in Kalona is looking to hire a director (part time). Duties include museum administration, office work, communication (including Reflections, our quarterly newsletter), supervision of staff and volunteers, finances, and Fall Festival. Contact Nyle Kauffman (319-936-2430) for details if interested.

MCC: *MCC seeks a full-time HR Recruiter and Central States HR Generalist.* As HR Recruiter, this position supports general recruitment and selection processes for openings across the organization. As a regional HR Generalist, this individual is the front-line HR contact for all local employees, assisting with a range of HR tasks, and redirecting to specialist colleagues as appropriate. This position can be based in Kansas, Texas, Colorado, Montana, or Minnesota with a preference for North Newton, Kansas office. Apply online by October 23: mccglobal.my.site.com/MCCJobs/s/vacancy-details?vacancyId=a2SIV0000008rgf2AA

Responding to the crisis in Lebanon and Gaza: Up to a million people in Lebanon have been displaced in the last few days due to increasing military attacks. And the grave humanitarian crisis in Gaza continues. You can donate and provide relief today. MCC continues to respond to the needs of displaced people in Lebanon and Gaza. MCC is providing relief to recently displaced people in Lebanon with food, hygiene, bedding and psychosocial support. Please pray for an end to the violence and for a just peace in Israel and Palestine. Donate online at mcc.org/palestine-israel

MCUSA: The Mennonite Church USA Executive Board and staff responded with disappointment and significant questions about Mosaic Mennonite Conference's announcement recommending withdrawal from the denomination. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/mc-usa-says-better-together

Season Two of MC USA's "Lead/Follow" podcast for pastors and leaders has begun! Watch new episodes on YouTube or listen on Apple or Spotify! Watch or listen here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/leadfollow/>

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In recognition and celebration of our 15 years of service, Mennonite Church USA's The Corinthian Plan invites all interested persons who are part of an MC USA conference or congregation to submit a health and/or wellbeing story. Submit your wellbeing story here: mennoniteusa.org/tcp-wellbeing-stories

Mennonite Men: *Living that Matters in Retirement* – 5:00p Friday – 4:30p Saturday, October 18-19: Come and experience a company of brothers seeking a meaningful life that matters in retirement. This gathering is geared for men contemplating retirement, recently starting retirement, and for men who have been retired for significant periods of time. It will include gatherings with focused conversations, meaningful rituals, and delicious meals together. There will also be time for solitude in the rolling hills, meadows, and woods of The Hermitage in Three Rivers, MI. Details and registration at mennonitemen.org/Pages/Living-that-Matters-in-Retirement.aspx

Washington Mennonite: Registration is open for Washington Mennonite Church's Dessert Theater on November 15-17! Join us for drama, music and dessert around the theme of "Wild Hope." For more information or to register online visit <https://washmenno.weebly.com/dinner-theater.html> or see the brochures in your church building.