

Adults Sunday School

The Problem of Sin, the Promise of Salvation, Session 12
“When Comfort Seems Far Away” Lamentations 1:7-20

MYF

- 3/1 – Bible Study in the MYF Room, 6-7:30 PM

JYF

Wednesdays, 6-8 PM, Wayland Mennonite Church Basement.
7th & 8th graders: Join us for food, games and Bible Study!

#KidsConnect VBS

June 1 – June 5, 2026

Contact Abbey Shelman, Katy Black, Sidney Garrett or Sarah Leichthy if you are willing to help with VBS in any way!



Remember in prayer this week: Michael Black, Dave Eichelberger, Tristan Luitjens, Mary Jo Richard, Nick West, and Don Eichelberger

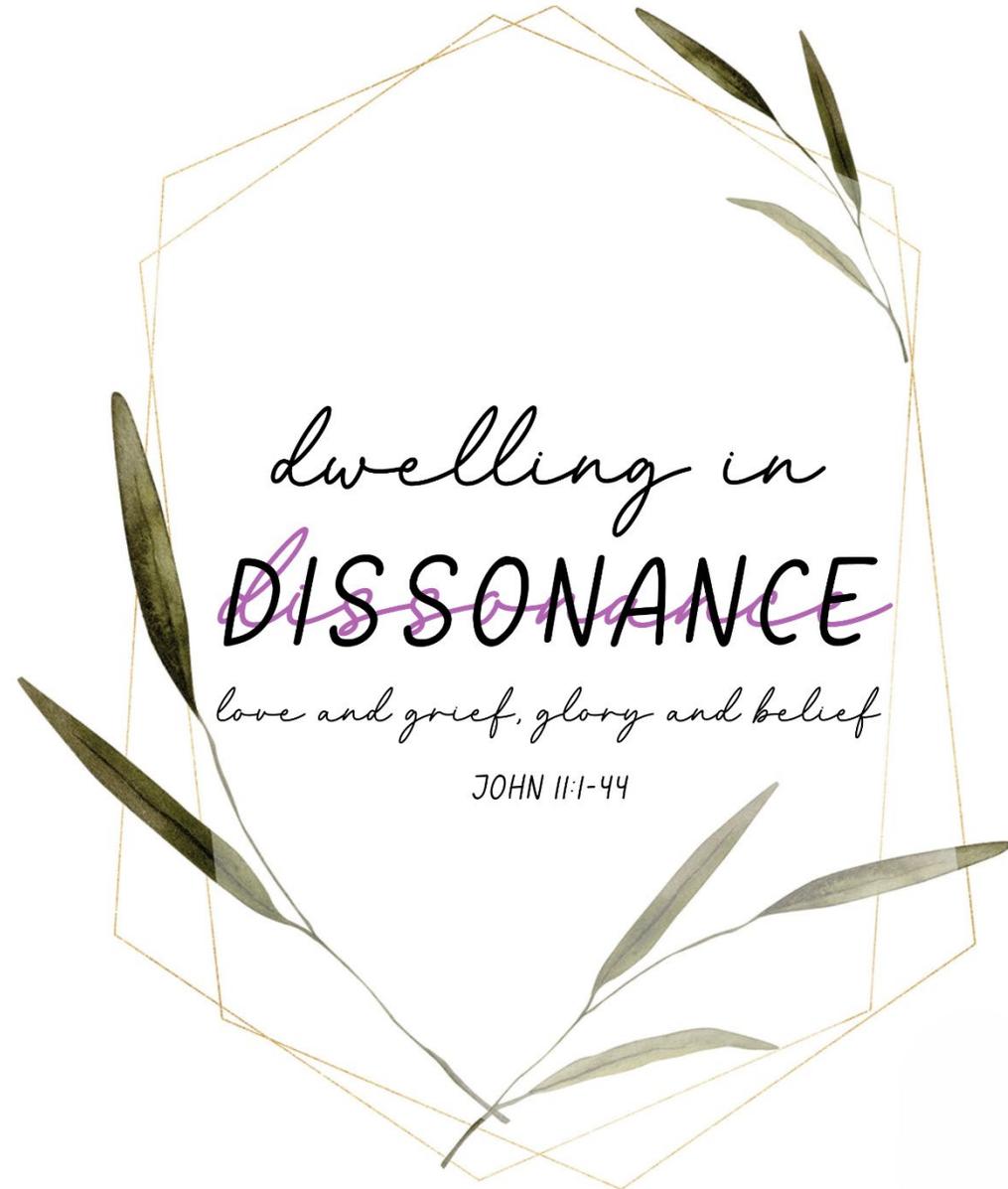
Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Pam Unruh (cataract surgery recovery), Lowell Unruh (knee replacement recovery), Dick Yoder, Larry Graber, Roni Stowers (surgery recovery), Arlene Wenger, Sheldon Miller (surgery recovery), Roxanne Rogers (Kathy Yoder's sister), Cindy Freyenberger Harms, Keith Zehr (pancreatic cancer), Lois Klopfenstein, Opal Reschly

CPMC Prayer Request We pray for our sister churches in Montana: Lame Deer MC, White River Cheyenne MC, and White Chapel MC.

MMN Prayer Request Anicka Fast trains and mentors historians and archivists in Africa, Asia and Latin America, to help promote a recognition of global Anabaptist history. She and her family currently reside in the Netherlands but are planning to move back to Canada this summer. Pray for heartwarming farewells as they prepare for their move and a smooth transition into their new home, especially for the children and their schooling.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$1,259; General Fund \$1,050; Ecuador Trip \$317; Missions \$100



February 22, 2026

*The Season of Lent:
Dwelling in Dissonance*

May we dwell in dissonance together,
grateful for the gifts that come by;
lingering in Holy Week with the gospel of John,
with God, and with the Spirit of Christ that connects us all.

9:15 AM: Sunday School
10:10 AM: Fellowship Time
10:30 AM: Worship Service
Livestream: <https://tinyurl.com/SCMLiveStream>
<facebook.com/sugarcreekmennonitechurch>

Prelude/Offertory: Kathy Yoder

Worship Leader: Russ Yoder

Song Leaders: Creek Band

Lent 1

Reckless Love
Gravity of Love

Welcome
Call to Worship
Confession

Children's Time: Maria Roth
Dramatized Reading: John 11:1-44
Message: Pam Gerig Unruh, "Love and Grief, Glory and Belief"

WB 614 In the bulb there is a flower
Offering: Home Missions & Coins for Camp (3/1 Home Missions)
Announcements, Sharing & Prayers

Benediction

WB 439 I want Jesus to walk with me (v. 1)

Thank you to the MYF for serving as ushers today.

NEXT SUNDAY

- George Hanson, Matthew 4:1-11

SUGAR CREEK NEWS

CPMC Ecuador Service & Learning Tour: Levi Bachman and Tristan Luitjens will be traveling to Ecuador in March for a service trip with Central Plains. We invite you to pray for them as they leave on the trip, to keep them in your prayers as they travel and to consider a donation to help cover their costs. Offering checks may be marked "Ecuador Trip" and one check will be sent to CPMC.

Fellowship: Please see the signup to provide cookies for fellowship time, or contact Lori Miller or Lori Leichy:
signupgenius.com/go/4090E45AEAB2DA0FA7-50902927-sugar#

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

- Anointing: Please come forward following the service if you wish to be anointed.
- **6:00 PM:** Revelation Book Study, Fellowship Hall. Ch. 15 & 16

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- **6:00 AM:** Baptism Class

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

- **11:30 AM:** Lunch Bunch, Fellowship Hall
- **12:30 PM:** Membership Class
- **6:00 PM:** Church Council, MYF Room

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

- **5:30 PM:** VBS Planning, Library

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

- Palm Sunday

FEBRUARY 22, 2026
AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CCCC: *Our spring craft retreat* is happening March 6-8 and registration is open! Visit our website for more information and to register. crookedcreekcamp.org/craft-retreat.html

Let us take care of your Easter lunch! We will be offering take-and-bake ham balls and a cheesy potato casserole. For more information and to order, visit our website crookedcreekcamp.org/take-and-bake-order-form.html Orders due by March 9.

Join us on Tuesday, March 10 for a Lenten Quiet Day pilgrimage. A light lunch will be provided. For more information and to register, visit our website crookedcreekcamp.org/lenten-quiet-day.html

Crowded Closet: As we closed 2025 at Crowded Closet, the numbers tell a *compelling* story! With \$2.49 million in sales, nearly one million items sold, and over 154,000 customer transactions, your choice to donate, shop, and volunteer continues to turn everyday generosity into meaningful support for Mennonite Central Committee around the world. The 37,270 donations we received this year represent faithful households and congregations giving what they have so it can bless others. Because of the strength of the shop, we are able to increase our monetary support to MCC in the year ahead! We are deeply grateful for the ways YOU make this ministry possible through your time, your gifts, and your commitment. Thank you!

Hillcrest: Head of School - The Hillcrest Academy Board is delighted to announce Nate Miller '96 as Head of School beginning the 2026–2027 school year. Read more about this new position and about Nate at hillcrestravens.org/natemillerera.

Skating Party - All 4th-8th graders are invited to a Skating Party at the Wellman Skating Rink hosted by the Hillcrest Academy student body government on Thursday, February 26, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. For more details and to sign up, check out hillcrestravens.org/4-8events.

Blood Drive - The Hillcrest Academy National Honor Society is hosting a blood drive on Monday, March 2 from 7:30-11:30 AM in Hillcrest Union (gymnasium). Schedule a donation time by contacting the school office at 319-656-2073 or office@hillcrestravens.org.

Spring Drama Production - Join us March 6-7 in Celebration Hall for a heartwarming production of Pollyanna, the classic tale of the world's greatest optimist. Mark your calendars! Full details on showtimes and how to purchase your tickets are coming soon to hillcrestravens.org/drama.

MCC: *MCC is recruiting Canner Operators* to join its mobile meat canning team, which prepares about 600,000 cans of meat annually for global communities in need. These operators travel to 30 U.S. locations from October to April, managing machinery, operating steam and pressure vessels, coordinating volunteers, and ensuring compliance with USDA regulations. Make new friends while participating in a unique service adventure! Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until April 25 OR until position is filled. Apply online at mcc.org/careers. For more information, call 1-888-563-4676 or email marilypeters@mcc.org.

MCUSA: MC USA's Women in Leadership ministry welcomes three new steering committee members who will guide efforts to empower women, dismantle patriarchy and strengthen justice-centered leadership across the denomination. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/wil-steering-committee/

Nancy Kauffmann, senior consultant for Church Safety at MC USA, warns that churches must consistently follow their abuse-prevention policies to ensure real safety, accountability and trust for all. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/safe-church-policies/

MMN: *Mennonite Voluntary Service* Live out your faith through service! Applications are open for the 2026-27 term. This one-year volunteer experience is open to individuals age 20+, with the option to extend placements for an additional one to two years. Serve with nonprofits addressing critical community needs, such as health, education, immigration and more. You won't do it alone, though! By living with peers in a unit house and growing with a local faith community, MVSers join in the global movement to work for peace and a more just world. Ready to jump in? Go to MennoniteMission.net/MVS to learn more and apply. Placements are available in the following locations: Alamosa, CO; Chicago, IL; San Francisco, CA; and Tucson, AZ.

Service Adventure Can a gap year change your life? Only if you're up for adventure! Applications are now open for the 2026-27 term. Service Adventure is a 10-month volunteer experience for young adults ages 17-20. Live in community with peers and unit leaders, serve with local nonprofit agencies, and grow in your faith with a supporting church congregation! Learn more and apply at MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure.