**This week please remember the following people in prayer:**

Brad, April, Samuel, Aubrey, & Ava Eichelberger

**Pray for those dealing** **with from medical** **issues:** Dick Yoder, Oliver Yutzy, LaVonne Friesen (Ardell Kliewer’s sister), Carlos Cortez (Victoria Perez’s friend), Gerhard Luitjens (Nathan’s dad), Tara, Bill & Marilyn Hershberger, Gerry & Dale Widmer, Shirley Madden (Kathy Roth’s mother), and Pauline Wyse.

**Pray for** the Youth Faith Formation Class: Matthew Leichty,

Clara Schmitz, Morgan Graber, Olivia Leichty & Mattias Luitjens. Baptism Sunday will be June 9th.

Adult Membership class: Ethan Spronk & Paul Von Tersch.

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

**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.

**Mennonite Mission Network** requests prayer for *La Casa Grande* children’s home in Benin as it goes through leadership changes. Pray for Bienvenu and Chimène Kakpo, the new co-directors, and their biological family, as well as the larger family of more than 30 children, the house mothers, and other personnel.

**LAST SUNDAY**

**Attendance:** 113

**Offering:** Home Missions: $5,445 MCC: $82.69

**Furnace / Air Conditioner Fellowship Hall Project total-to-date:** Furnace / Air Conditioner Fellowship Hall Project total to date is $2,210.00. Our goal is to raise $15,000.00. Extra money raised will go to replace other units in the church. If you would like to donate toward this project please earmark checks to Furnace fund and place them in the offering plate or give them to Robert Achen, Treasurer. The new Air conditioning unit for the fellowship hall has been installed at a cost of $3,800.00. Your donations will help pay this bill. Thanks for all your generous support!

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**“I used to be afraid of failing at something that really mattered to me, but now I’m more afraid of succeeding at things that don’t matter.”**

**May 12, 2019**

**SUGAR CREEK MENNONITE CHURCH**

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Office Hours: Tue-Thu, 9am-1pm

**May 12, 2019**

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 for all ages

10:10 am: Fellowship Time

10:30 am: Worship

Worship Leader: Clara Schmitz

Song Leader: Nathan Luitjens

Piano/Organ: Mattias Luitjens

Call to Worship

Welcome

Opening Prayer

*10,000 Reasons*

*Build My Life*

*Reckless Love*

Scripture: Philippians 3:1-14 (NT p. 153)

Message: Nathan “Succeeding at What Matters”

*WB 389 Take My Life*

Offering: Home Missions (5/19 Missions)

Announcements, Sharing & Prayers

Presentation of Bibles to Seniors

Benediction

*The Lord Lift You Up*

Congratulations to our seniors! We’re happy to celebrate Nadiyah Brown, Nolan Eubanks, Colton Horak, Matthew Leichty, and Clara Schmitz today!

Thank you to Mike & Maria Roth 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.

**IOWA MENNONITE RELIEF SALE,** **May 31 – June 1**

**Sign up online** at http://www.iamccreliefsale.org/volunteering.html to volunteer. Contact Rebecca Beachy Miller with questions or to volunteer: 319-631-2461.

**Register for the** **Relief Sale 5K Trail Run & 1 Mile Walk**! On Saturday, June 1 at 8am, the 5K run begins at the fairgrounds and continues through Ryerson's Woods Park. The 1-mile walk will take place at the fairgrounds with mostly flat surfaces and suitable all ages. After the run, enjoy an all-you-can-eat breakfast. Register for the run or walk at: <http://getmeregistered.com/ReliefSaleTrailRun>

**My Coins Count** begins this month! Visit the website to learn about the 2019 project and why we do My Coins Count: <http://www.iamccreliefsale.org/my-coins-count.html>

**Calling all crafters, artists, carpenters, cooks, business owners and more!**The general auction for the Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale needs your help to make this year the best yet! What can you gift or create for the 40th anniversary sale? Donations for the auction can be directed to Marty Roth at 319-430-4025.

**MCC Sale Food Committee** needs 1-2 people to help set-up on Thursday and tear down on Saturday. Contact Don Eichelberger at (319)759-0983 for details.

**CROOKED CREEK CAMP NEWS**

**Want to get involved with summer camp?** We're looking for counselors, lifeguards, assistant cooks, and nurses. Call the camp for more information.

**Volunteers Needed** from Sugar Creek to help in the kitchen during summer camp. Volunteers must wear closed toed shoes and their hair back. No tank tops. Work could include other non-kitchen work if there is down time in the kitchen. The days we need to fill are:

-Two volunteers July 2 to help with lunch from 10:30am–1:30pm.

-Two volunteers July 2 to help with cookout from 1-5pm.

-Two volunteers July 10 to help with lunch from 10:30am–1:30pm.

-Two volunteers July 10 to help with supper from 3-7pm.

Please contact Lowell Unruh if you are able to help fill one of these shifts.

**The Annual IMS Golf Tournament** | On Saturday, June 15 IMS will host their golf tournament benefiting the Annual Fund at the Kalona Golf Club. Register to play or be a sponsor at [iowamennonite.org/golftournament](http://iowamennonite.org/golftournament) or contact Jeremy Ours at 319-656-2073 x13 or jours@iowamennonite.org.

**TODAY**

**Sermon Notes**

**8:00 am:** Breakfast to honor graduates

**THIS WEEK**

**Wednesday, May 15:** VBS Teacher Meeting @ 6pm

**Wednesday, May 15:** WACO Baccalaureate @ 7pm

**Thursday, May 16:** Church Council Meeting @ 7pm

**Friday, May 17:** JYF End-of-year trip to jump park

**Sunday, May 19:** Message by Nathan. Act 1:1-11

**SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Office Manager** –If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested in a part-time position as office manager, please have them submit a resume to Bob Meyer. A position description is available in the church office. Carly Voth Unruh will be helping out in the church office. If you have any bulletin announcements or questions she will be in the church office Tue-Thurs 9am-1pm.

**An update letter from the Ross Richer** **family**, our partners in Ecuador, is on the bulletin board. There are also a few copies available to take with you.

**MYF News**

**June 16:** Burger Bash Fundraiser for MennoCon19

**JYF at Wayland Mennonite News**

**May 17th:** End of year trip to the Planet 3 Extreme jump park in Iowa City!

**Promiseland/Xplore News**

**June 2:** Family Picnic Celebration 12-3pm

**June 17-20:** Vacation Bible School

**July 8:** Burlington Bees Game, meet at church at 5pm, bring money for concessions

**July 24:** Water Park, meet at church at 10am and bring $10

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Join Sugar Creek and Wayland Mennonite** for a great week of VBS. Our theme this year is "Who is my Neighbor?"

When: June 17 - 20 (Monday - Thursday)

Time: 8:45 - 11:30am

Who: Children ages preschool to 6th grade (in 18-19 school year)

Where: Sugar Creek Mennonite Church

Contact: scwaylandmennovbs@gmail.com

**To register**, a link has been set-up online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/SCWaylandVBS2019>

You can also send an email to: scwaylandmennovbs@gmail.com to request a link to the online form.

**We still have spots that need to be filled**. We are still looking for a 4th grade teacher and teacher helpers (both teens and adults). Let Jen Slagel or Jami Miller know where you can help out. Thank you.

**VBS Teacher’s Meeting** will take place May 15 at 6 pm in the Sugar Creek Fellowship Hall.

**Cookies and rolls are needed for VBS.** Sign-up sheets are on the North bulletin board. Sign up early so you won’t miss out on this opportunity to help with VBS. Thank you for sharing your baking skills with all the children and the staff.

**AREA NEWS AND EVENTS**

**Everence will host its popular workshop**, *Make Medicare an easy step*, on Monday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. The workshop is presented by Everence staff and at the Kalona Public Library, Velma Skola Room, 510 C Ave., Kalona. The workshop is free, but space is limited! Reserve your spot by May 9. Contact Joyce Garvin at (877) 656-4242 or joyce.garvin@everence.com.

**Young people between 15 and 20:** Are you interested in what is going on in the church beyond your congregation? Did you know that youth are invited to participate in Central Plains Annual Meeting delegate sessions? Consider coming to Kalona, Iowa on June 20-23 to participate in the worship, business, workshops and fun! Ask your pastor or council chair about this opportunity.  You can find more information about youth delegates at [www.centralplainsmc.org/annual-meeting-2019.html](http://www.centralplainsmc.org/annual-meeting-2019.html).

**Did you know?** Central Plains Annual Meeting isn’t just for delegates and pastors. All are invited to come learn, fellowship and discern together! Go to [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org) to learn more about Annual Meeting and to register adults and children (and pay) online.

**Iowa Mennonite School Summer Camps** We have another great line-up of camps this year from art to music to sports and everything in between! And we will be adding science camp and soccer camp information soon. Camps are offered K-12 grade. [www.iowamennonite.org/camps](http://www.iowamennonite.org/camps).

**Thank you** **to everyone** that helped make the Parkview Benefit on May 27th such a huge success. That includes everyone that attended, donated items for the auction, helped with setting up and decorating, purchased items at the auction, donated money or helped with clean up. We are very grateful to Tim Meyer for being our auctioneer for the evening. A total of $14,997.00 was raised and will be used to make life better for our residents. One project is to purchase several new beds and mattresses. Your support of Parkview is greatly appreciated. Keep Parkview in your prayers.

**Opportunities to serve with MCC Nicaragua and Honduras -** Do you excel in an admin support role, helping to create & implement plans? Want to contribute to MCC’s community development work in the Central America context? ¡Entonces, venga! Bring your organizational expertise, assessment tools, accompaniment experience, Spanish language skills and a desire to learn -- right this way! MCC has 2 opportunities for you to consider, starting either **July 15, 2019** (in Nicaragua) or **January 6, 2020**  (in Honduras).  The close date for these positions is May 26. Visit [mcc.org/serve](http://mcc.org/serve) or contact heidihuber@mcc.org for more information.

**IMS Graduation Activities** |Baccalaureate on Saturday, May 25 & Commencement on Sunday, May 26 both are in Celebration Hall at 6:00 PM. The Baccalaureate speaker is Randall Ney. Randall is an Immigration Attorney at the University of Iowa and father of senior, Rubye. The 72nd IMS commencement speaker is Jewel Gingerich Longenecker, PhD. Jewel ('82, F '93-'95) is the Dean of Lifelong Learning at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana.