

### Adult SS Classes

- *Salt & Light* meets in the library
- *Acts* by NT Wright: Discussion over ch. 14 & 15

### MYF

- **TODAY:** Help set up for VBS, 2PM
- **June 9:** Bible Study, TBA



**This week please remember in prayer** Jared, Tawnya, Brecken, Tenley & Nixen Achen and Ledru & Connie Freyenberger

**Pray for those dealing with medical issues:** Cindy Harms, Melba Widmer (surgery recovery), Sandy Koehler (Kathy Roth's sister), Roni Stowers, Randy Roth, Carol Long

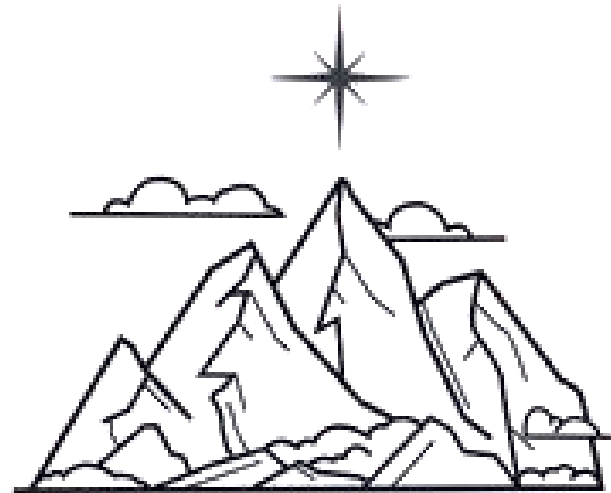
**CCCC Prayer Request** As your disciples were inspired by the Holy Spirit to go out into the world to share the love of Christ, so inspire: Mattias, Keiran, Tristan and Brenna as they prepare for a summer of service at Crooked Creek Christian Camp. Equip them with the gifts necessary to care for, teach, and lead the campers. Fill them with a sense of holy purpose, and help them to find joy in serving You as they serve others.

**CPMC Prayer Request** Pray for the start of the summer camping season for Swan Lake Christian Camp and Crooked Creek Christian Camp, the two Mennonite camps within Central Plains. We pray that campers and staff feel the love of God as they spend time in nature!

**MMN Prayer Request** In California, where Mennonite Mission Network's San Francisco MVS unit is located, many people who have full-time jobs are not able to pay rent on a one-bedroom apartment. Most of the MVS participants are working with agencies that provide low-income housing. They ask that we pray and work to transform the unjust systems that cause homelessness.

### LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$5,335; Cemetery Fund \$2,150; Conference \$1,500; Missions \$1,200; General Fund \$650; Parkview Home \$650; VBS \$300



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## June 2, 2024

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](https://facebook.com/sugarcreekmennonitechurch)

**Worship Leader:** Connie Freyenberger  
**Song Leader:** Mattias Luitjens  
**Music:** Kathy Yoder

### Gathering

Welcome & Announcements  
Silent Worship – Lighting of the Christ Candle  
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

### Praising

*WB 389 Take my life*  
*WB 545 Be thou my vision*

### Hearing the Word

Children's Story: Abbey Shelman, VBS  
Scripture Reading: Luke 4:1-21, p. 46  
Message: Marisa Smucker, "What Does Your 'Yes' to God Look Like?"

### Responding

*WB 395 Here I am, Lord*  
Offering: Education (6/9 VBS)  
VBS & CCCC Blessing  
Sharing & Prayers

### Sending

Benediction  
*Doxology*

Thank you to Gary & Maretta Conrad for serving as ushers today.

## NEXT SUNDAY

- VBS Program & Potluck

### SUGAR CREEK NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**Annual Meeting:** With Annual Meeting coming to town, some guests prefer to stay in homes rather than hotels. If you have space to host from June 20-23, please contact Michael Swartzendruber: 319-936-7541 or [mswartzendruber@gmail.com](mailto:mswartzendruber@gmail.com).

**Bible Reading Challenge:** Join us as we read through the Gospels again in the second half of 2024. This month we will begin with Matthew. We encourage you to try something new as you join the challenge. Find a friend to read through them with? Try a different Bible version as you read through this time? Listen and read along with a podcast? We will look forward to a time of discussion at the end of the month as we continue to engage in scripture together.

**Fellowship:** Please sign up for cookie time for June-August: [signupgenius.com/go/4090E45AEAB2DA0FA7-49567721-sugar](https://signupgenius.com/go/4090E45AEAB2DA0FA7-49567721-sugar)

Please collect your containers from the shelves in the kitchen foyer. Anything left after today will be donated to Crowded Closet.

**Summer Office Hours:** After VBS, Katy's summer office hours will be Thursdays from 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM, with Tuesdays & Wednesdays as-needed. You can reach her by email or cell.

### **TODAY**

- **2:00 PM:** VBS setup

### **JUNE 3-7**

- **8:30-11:30 AM:** Seekers in Sneakers VBS!

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 9**

- **10:00 AM:** VBS Program & Potluck to follow. No Sunday School

### **MONDAY, JUNE 17**

- **6:00 PM:** Elders Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19**

- **7:00 PM:** Council Meeting, MYF Room

### **JUNE 20-23**

- CPMC Annual Meeting at Sugar Creek

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 25**

- **7:00 PM:** Worship Planning, MYF Room

**JUNE 2, 2024**  
**AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Central Plains:** Central Plains Annual Meeting isn't just for delegates and pastors-ALL are invited to Wayland, IA, June 20-23 to worship, learn, fellowship and discern together! Visit our website to learn more and to register by June 10! [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org)

**Concert:** Sibling trio, *Girl Named Tom*, is returning to Celebration Hall on the campus of Hillcrest Academy on August 17, at 7 p.m. They performed to a sold out crowd in March of 2023. More information and tickets are available at [www.badangleevents.org](http://www.badangleevents.org)

**Cradle of Hope:** Collect Your Change! Grab a baby bottle in the foyer and fill it with your loose change, dollar bills or even a check. All donations will help the ministry at Cradle of Hope Pregnancy Resource Center. With the addition of the new mother's home, your change can truly change lives and is needed to reach out to families in our community. Please return all baby bottles to the foyer table no later than Father's Day. Any questions? Contact Tamara Zechin.

**Crooked Creek Christian Camp:** Our summer staff orientation begins June 3 (tomorrow)! Keep the staff in your prayers as they get to know one another and prepare for welcoming our campers.

**Hillcrest:** *Hillcrest Academy Golf Benefit* - Join us for the annual event on Saturday, July 13 at the Kalona Golf Club. This year the benefit will support Ravens Athletics. For more details, to register, or to be a sponsor go to [hillcrestravens.org/golfbenefit](http://hillcrestravens.org/golfbenefit). Contact Jeremy Ours at [jours@hillcrestravens.org](mailto:jours@hillcrestravens.org) with questions.

*We Want You!* - We want you (or someone you know) to join our thriving school community (grades 6-12). We are currently seeking talented and dedicated individuals to join our team as high school and middle school teachers and coaches, for the 2024-25 school year. Check out [hillcrestravens.org/joinourteam](http://hillcrestravens.org/joinourteam) for all the details and help spread the word.

*Host Family* - Hillcrest Academy is looking for a family to host a World Link foreign exchange student during the 2024-25 school year. Hosts can be single or married with young children, no children, teenagers, or grandchildren. Students are selected based on their leadership qualities and academic performance and the program provides the student's medical insurance, pays school fees and expenses, and gives the student a monthly allowance. Please contact the local coordinator Holly Beinhart at 641-295-5003 or [hollybeinhart@gmail.com](mailto:hollybeinhart@gmail.com) for more information or if you are more comfortable contacting the school, please email Rebecca Beachy Miller at [rbeachymiller@hillcrestravens.org](mailto:rbeachymiller@hillcrestravens.org).

**Iowa Peace Network:** Feel free to register and join these weekly recurring Zoom meetings:

- *Praying for Peace with Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP):* CMEP Invites you to join them in praying for peace in Israel and Palestine, Wednesdays 11:30AM-12PM CST. [cmepe.org/wednesday-prayer/](http://cmepe.org/wednesday-prayer/)
- *Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP) Weekly Briefing:* CMEP is holding a weekly briefing of current news regarding the Hamas and Israel war, Thursdays 9-9:30 AM CST. [cmepe.org/thursday-briefing/](http://cmepe.org/thursday-briefing/)

**MCUSA:** Peaceful Options for Training and Careers (POTC) has launched a website where young adults across the U.S. can find information about non-military careers, service and training opportunities. Learn more here: [mennoniteusa.org/news/potc-website/](http://mennoniteusa.org/news/potc-website/)

On June 18 at 7 p.m. ET/4 p.m. PT, join Nancy Kauffmann, Mennonite Church USA interim denominational minister of Church Safety, Michael Danner, MC USA associate executive director for Church Vitality and Ben Woodward-Breckbill, associate pastor at Shalom Mennonite Church, Newton, Kansas, as they address topics related to Safe Church protection policies and navigating through a crisis. Register here: [mennoniteusa.org/webinar/registration-safe-jun18](http://mennoniteusa.org/webinar/registration-safe-jun18)

**Mom Café:** We will not be meeting at the church on Tuesday evenings during the summer. Instead, we will have family-fun activities from 2-4 PM on the third Tuesday of each month. More information will be coming!