

Nathan's time of serving us is soon coming to a close. Although we will miss his leadership and Pastoral roles he has given us the last 16 years, we are happy that he has a new challenge and direction to take his talents and gifts. After discussion with Nathan, Rachelle and the current status that we still find ourselves in taking precautions to not spread COVID-19, we will not be having a celebration at this time. We wanted to make sure everyone felt safe in attending. Fortunately, Nathan will still be in the area so, as soon as we can safely meet together we will have a BIG party and a formal good-bye as Nathan well deserves. While we wait for a safe celebration please send a card to Nathan expressing your gratitude for his 16 years of service. In this card include a memory or an experience you had with Nathan for him to read and reflect on. Thanks for taking the time to share with Nathan during these next couple of weeks.



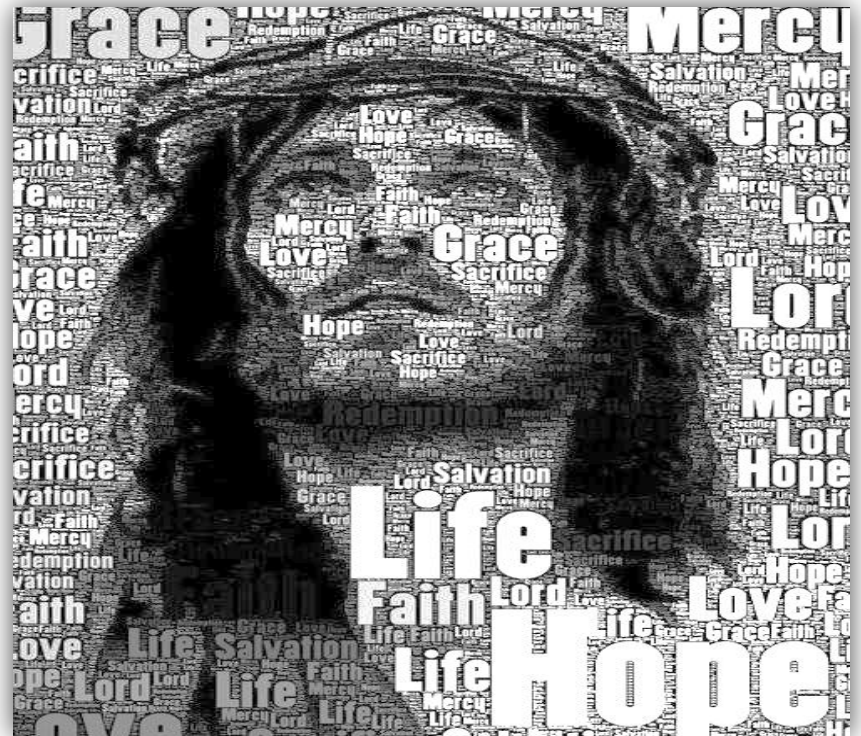
This week please remember the following people in prayer: Brad, April, Sam, Aubrey and Ava Eichelberger.

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Annley, Ashley, and Carolyn (Opal Reschly's family), Gerry Widmer, Tim Detweiler, Lydia Rotzinger, Jean Roth and

Lynnix McMullin (daughter of Jessy and Katie).

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions: \$3,475; Missions: \$1,425;
Conference: \$1,095; M. Shelman Fund: \$550;
General Fund: \$500; Education: \$450; Parkview: \$100;
Hymnal Fund: \$48.



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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.

9:00 am: Worship live via Zoom:
<https://tinyurl.com/SugarCreekLiveStream>
facebook.com/sugarcreekmennonitechurch

Worship Leader: Mike & Maria Roth
Song Leader: Tamara Zechin
Violin: Morgan Meyer

Welcome
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer
WB 46, *I sing the mighty power of God*
WB 26, *Holy Spirit, come with power*
Offering: Home Missions (7/5- Home Missions)
Announcement, Sharing and Prayers
Scripture: 2 Corinthians 1:1-11
Message: Nathan Luitjens, "Grace, Hope, Jesus"
WB 545, *Be thou my vision*
Baptism: Justin Freyenberger
Benediction
STJ 73: *The Lord lift you up*

- DVD copies of the Worship Service will be available in the church foyer following the service. The sermon will be posted to YouTube Sunday afternoon, and the link can be found on our Sugar Creek's webpage. Printed bulletins, area news and announcements and children's bulletins and activities are available in the church foyer.
- As you send in or drop off offering checks please earmark checks for which weeks offering or what fund you would like them applied to. A locked offering box is available in the church foyer. Offering can also be mailed to the church or to Robert Achen at 1394 200th St. Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641, or dropped off at Wayland State Bank. You can also give online at the church website.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Rachele Luitjens, 2 Cor. 2:1-20

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Prayer: Please remember we are always available for prayer and support. If you have a prayer request or would like someone to pray with you please contact a pastor or an elder.

Needs: We recognize that food and supplies do run out. If you are in need of something please contact Nathan or Rachele and we will connect you with someone who is heading to the store.

Parents: In lieu of Sunday School, we offer weekly printed children's activities. You may also access recorded Sunday School lessons for 2 year olds through 5th grade based on the, Shine On Bible at: <https://shinecurriculum.com/resources/shineathome>

Return date for questionnaire: As you may know, we have begun the process of discernment for pastoral leadership for Sugar Creek. Many of you have already received a questionnaire in the mail. If you did not receive one, please contact the church office. If you haven't already filled out the questionnaire please do since we can't know what you are thinking unless you tell us. We would like to have all questionnaires returned by no later than, July 5th. Thank you!

Pastoral time: With Nathan's resignation effective June 30th and the postponement of Rachele's sabbatical, the Elders recommended and the Executive Committee agreed, that Rachele move to full time during the process of pastoral leadership discernment beginning July 1. This is a temporary full time position as we go through this process.

Refrigerator: The refrigerator in the fellowship kitchen needed to be replaced so the church council gave the go ahead to order a new refrigerator. The cost of the new refrigerator is approximately \$3,000.00. If you would like to make a donation to help pay for the new refrigerator, please earmark your checks "refrigerator" and put them in the offering. Thank you in advance for your continued support!

MMN Prayer Vine: Please help yourself to a copy of July's Prayer Vine, placed on the east wall in the foyer. You may also find it attached to this email.