

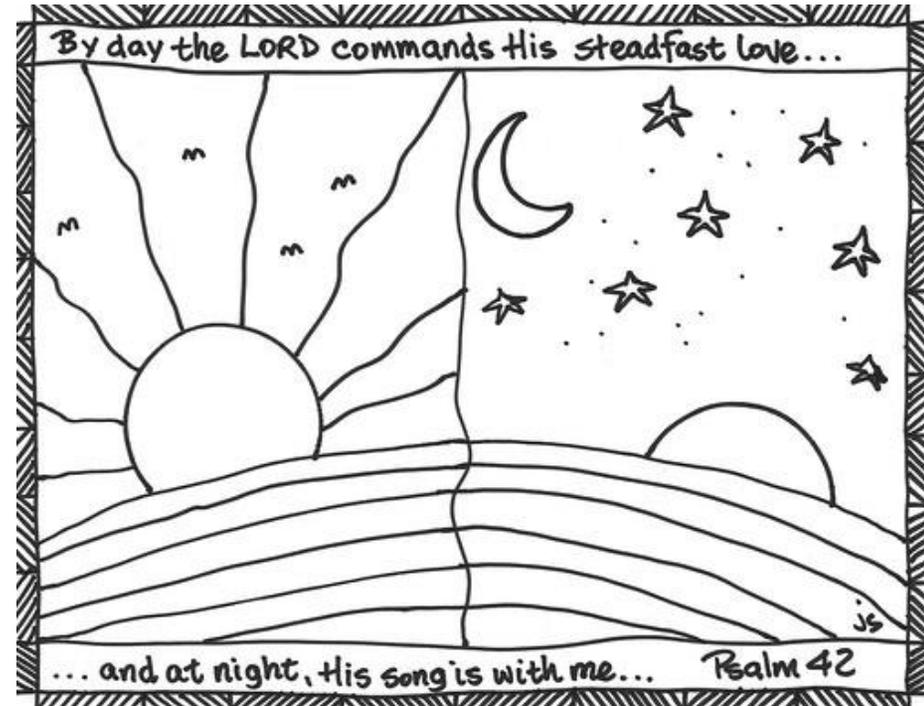


**This week please remember the following people in prayer:** Ledru & Connie Freyenberger, Linda & Clarence Unternahrer, Mary Frances Graber  
**Pray for those dealing with from medical issues:** Dick Yoder, Oliver Yutzy, LaVonne Friesen (Ardell Kliewer's sister), Gerhard

Luitjens (Nathan's dad), Gerry Widmer, Victor Barrera (Victoria Perez's father), and Maddy Yeager.

**Mennonite Mission Network** serves in Mongolia through JCS International, a consortium of mission agencies. Rejoice with Laura Schlabach, interim executive director, that the long search for a new executive director has borne fruit. Pray for the rapidly growing church in this country.

**Central Plains Mennonite Conference** We pray for David Boshart as he ends his time at Central Plains Mennonite Conference. We give thanks for his years of wise leadership and faithful witness among us.



## July 28, 2019

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### LAST SUNDAY

**Attendance:** 100

**Offering:** Home Missions: \$1,750 Missions: \$2,366.64 Parkview: \$50  
Special Projects: \$50

**Furnace/Air Conditioner Fellowship Hall Project total-to-date:**

Furnace/Air Conditioner fund total to date is \$7,035.00. Our goal is to raise \$15,000.00.

**July 28, 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  
10:10 am: Fellowship Time  
10:30 am: Worship

Worship Leader: Deedra and Jacob Graber  
Song Leader: Kathy Roth  
Piano/Organ: Abbey Shelman

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*WB76 Praise, I will praise you, Lord*

*WB100 Praise him, praise him!*

Scripture: Psalm 42:7-8 (OT p.400)

Message: TJ Howell "His Song Shall Be With Me"

*WB544 When we walk with the Lord*

Offering: Home Missions & Loose Change (8/4 Home Missions)

Mission Moment: Lee Harder, Men's House Advocate

Announcements, Sharing & Prayers

Benediction

*As you go out from here*

Thank you to the Tracy and Holly Roth for serving in the nursery today during church. The nursery is available during Sunday school and church for children 2 years of age and younger.

## **AREA NEWS AND EVENTS**

**OPEN HOUSE** | The time has finally arrived for us to re-introduce ourselves to the community! The IMS operating board and administrative team invite everyone to an open house on Tuesday, July 30 from 7:00-8:00 PM in Celebration Hall. Come to this informal gathering and get the first look at our school's new name, logos, and mascot. Come enjoy some light refreshments and maybe even win some school apparel. We love the look of our new identity and are excited to show it to you all!

**Pleasantview retirement community** is hiring a Maintenance Director. This is a full-time position with regular Monday through Friday hours and an on-call rotation. The desired candidate must support the missions of Pleasantview Home and possess organizational and problem solving skills to perform or oversee carpentry, painting, plumbing, electrical, heating/air, mechanics, and grounds keeping; the ability to lead the maintenance team and collaborate with all departments. This is a physically demanding job working in various elements inside and outside. Applications will be accepted in our lobby, 811 3rd Street, Kalona or at [www.pvhome.org](http://www.pvhome.org) until July 29.

**Everence will host its popular workshop**, Make Medicare an easy step, on Monday, Aug. 5, 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 will be presented by Everence staff at Kalona Public Library, Velma Skola Room, 510 C Ave. The workshop is free, but space is limited! Reserve your spot by Aug. 2. Contact Joyce Garvin at 877-656-4242 or [joyce.garvin@everence.com](mailto:joyce.garvin@everence.com).

## **MENNONITE CHURCH USA**

**"This is a peace that defies our Western thinking. It's a peace that does not classify people or creation into categories.** It's a peace that puts us in right relationship with each other. This includes creation. It's a peace that reconciles us to God, our creator." Iris de León-Hartshorn, associate executive director of operations for MC USA, writes about "The All-Encompassing Cosmic Christ" on the Menno Snapshots blog: [mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/the-all-encompassing-cosmic-christ](http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/the-all-encompassing-cosmic-christ).

**Pray for Allegheny Mennonite Conference and Mountain States Mennonite Conference** as they each hold their annual assemblies August 2-4.

# **SERMON NOTES**

We want to welcome and thank TJ Howell for bringing the message today.

## **THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, August 4:** Message by Joan Rodgers.

## **SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**The August *Prayer Vine*** calendar is available in the wooden rack in the foyer.

**Nathan, Rachele, and the boys are on vacation** until August 6<sup>th</sup>. Pray for safe travels and rest as they spend time with family and friends. If you have any pastoral needs during this time, please contact an Elder.

**Extension opportunity for July:** Lori purchases food for the Backpacks that go to 14 families each week. Currently, she is purchasing items and using CROP money. If you want to contribute, you may bring food items to church. Please just leave them in the foyer. Items in need would be canned fruit, vegetables, granola bars, peanut butter, cereal, or pasta. Thank you – Extension Committee

**Mennonite Women** will meet August 7<sup>th</sup>. Project: School kits. Devotions: Mark 14:3-9 Serve the Lord with Gladness. Lunch: sack lunch with dessert provided.

**MCC SCHOOL KITS** – Mennonite Women are asking the congregation to help make school kits that will be sent to MCC. We encourage you to begin donating the items now and we will be collecting the items through the month of August. **Each kit needs: 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 ½ x 10 ½ in – 70 pages each), 8 new unsharpened #2 pencils, 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional), 12 colored pencils in packaging, 1 large eraser, 2 new black or blue ink pens, and 1 small all metal pencil sharpener, one or two holes.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** August 18<sup>th</sup> is our annual worship service at CCCC! We will be having our morning worship service at the shelter at the pond. More details to come.

**Annual Reports:** Once again it's time to reflect on the past year and the plan for the upcoming year. The annual report deadline is August 27<sup>th</sup>. If you are a church representative, committee chair, superintendent, or Sunday School president, we want to hear from you! When your report is finished, please forward a copy to [sugarcreekmc@gmail.com](mailto:sugarcreekmc@gmail.com) or turn a copy in to the office. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.