

Adults Sunday School

Fall Salt & Light: Their Story, Our Story, and God's Message
Session 6, "Jeremiah Lays Charges Against God"
Jeremiah 12:1-13

MYF

- **TODAY** – Bible Study, 6:00-7:30 PM
- **10/26** – Bible Study, 6:00-7:30 PM

JYF

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



Remember in prayer this week: Nathan, Rachelle, Mattias, Keiran and Tristan Luitjens

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Carmen Martinez (Maria's sister), Keith Zehr (pancreatic cancer), Opal Reschly, Pauline Wyse, Dineal Armenta (Roni's sister), JaNan Peterson (Tamara's friend), Cynthia Hallet, Larry Graber, Lois Klopfenstein

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

CPMC Prayer Request We pray for our sister congregations in Iowa: Cedar Falls, Christ Community, Des Moines, First Mennonite of Iowa City, East Union, West Union, Wellman, Washington, Wayland, Sugar Creek, Pleasant View, and Donnellson.

MMN Prayer Request Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig, jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network, were not able to renew their visas to continue ministry in Chad. Pray for them and their three children as they move to Montbéliard, France, for the coming school year. Pray that the family can make a smooth adjustment and that they can contribute to La Prairie Mennonite Church's ministry to Muslim immigrants.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Conference \$1,415; General Fund \$550; Home Missions \$350



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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.

9:15 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: Lisa Graber
Song Leader: Nathan Luitjens

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements
Silent Preparation
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising

Mountain of God
WB 139 Far, far away from my loving father
I Will Follow You

Hearing the Word

Children's Story: Matt Bolger
Scripture Reading: Luke 15:11-32 (p. 60 NT)
Message: Matt Bolger, "The Perplexity of the Prodigal Parable"

Responding

WB 521 Come, thou fount
Offering: Home Missions (10/19 Missions)
Sharing & Prayers

Sending

Benediction
STJ 73 The Lord lift you up

NEXT SUNDAY

- Orlando Redekopp

SUGAR CREEK NEWS

CROP Drive: This year's WACO C.R.O.P. Drive will run through November 2nd with a goal of reaching \$38,000. Local C.R.O.P. Canvassers will be contacting people in each of their WACO area districts, collecting monetary donations and/or crops, such as corn or soybeans. Once again, 25% of proceeds will be used within the WACO Community. Please give generously when contacted by a C.R.O.P. Canvasser. Thank you!

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

Meal Train: There are still a few available dates to sign up for meals for the Leichty family! <mealtrain.com/4gdn6m>

Pastor Appreciation: October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Take time to show your gratitude and offer encouragement to our Pastors! "And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will guide you with knowledge and understanding." ~Jeremiah 3:15 NLT

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

- **11:30 AM:** Lunch Bunch, Fellowship Hall. Bring a friend!
- **7:00 PM:** Council Meeting, MYF Room

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

- **11:30 AM:** Potluck following worship to celebrate Pastor Appreciation

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- **9:00 AM:** Mennonite Women, Fellowship Hall
- **1:00 PM:** Worship Planning Committee Meeting

Thank you to Josh & Stephanie Miller for serving as ushers today.

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AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Concert: *Girl Named Tom* - We're thrilled to be returning to the Hawkeye State! This will be our third time performing in Iowa and we can't wait to share our brand-new music, along with the favorites you already love. Our *Wilder Then* Tour has been incredibly meaningful - bringing joy, connection, and a little serenity in a time of tension and hurt. Fans have been telling us the music is better than ever, and we couldn't agree more. As we continue to grow as a harmony trio of songwriters, nights like these - singing for you and meeting you after the show - are what make this journey so rewarding. We'd love for you to be part of it. Join us in Des Moines on Saturday, October 18! Visit www.girlnamedtom.com/events for tickets. ~Caleb, Joshua & Bekah

CCCC: There is lots going on at Crooked Creek in the upcoming months. Check it out!

- Lunch and Lecture, October 14, 9:30-3:00 – Join Erin Ramer & Friends as they tell us about their recent pilgrimage to the Iona Abbey in Scotland. A simple lunch is provided. There is no cost to attend, a freewill donation will be taken. Please register on our website, crookedcreekcamp.org, or by calling the office, 319-653-3611, so that we know how many to plan for.
- Craft Retreat, October 31-November 2 – Sign up now for our Fall Craft Retreat! Bring a project (or two, or three) and snacks to share and we'll provide the rest! See more details and register on our website, crookedcreekcamp.org
- CCCC's Annual Online Auction, November 25-30 – Please consider donating items to benefit CCCC. Contact Amanda (amanda@crookedcreekcamp.org) for more information. Items are due at camp by November 7.

Hillcrest: *Harvest Party* - The Hillcrest Academy FFA is hosting a Harvest Party for 4th-8th Graders on Sat, Oct 18 from 4:30 - 7:00 PM. We'll provide a light supper and there'll be games and other goodies. We'll be outside for the entire time so please dress accordingly. Sign up at hillcrestravens.org/4-8events!

Fall Music Concert - Join our high school students in Celebration Hall on Sun, Oct 19 at 3:00 PM. Enjoy listening to our Chorale, Touring Choir, and Instrumental Ensemble as they perform a variety of music selections.

Impact Kids: United Church of Crawfordsville's after-school program, Impact Kids, meets every Wednesday that WACO schools are in session. Please follow the link to sign your child(ren) up to attend or if you wish to volunteer during our program. Thank You! <https://forms.gle/MJwWycYjVtkeDe5a7>

Iowa Mennonite Action: *Sunday, October 12th at 6:00 PM*, Iowa Mennonite Action will host a finger foods potluck followed by a time of sharing by Melanie Yoder Salim about her trip to the West Bank a few months ago with a delegation from Mennonite Action. Yoder Salim is the daughter of Wilbur and Helen Yoder and grew up in Iowa. This event will be at East Union Mennonite Church, 5615 Gable Ave SW, Kalona. Yoder Salim will share at 7:00 PM. Please bring your own table service and finger foods to share.

Wednesday, October 15th from 5:45 - 8:45 PM, Iowa Mennonite Action will host leaders from the national Mennonite Action organization as they provide training to our community members as part of their To Build Our Courage Tour. The evening will start with a potluck meal at First Mennonite Church at 405 Myrtle Ave, Iowa City. The leaders from MA will guide us in cultivating community, studying collective action, and developing the boldness necessary to follow God's call on the church. YOU are a valued member of this movement, and we'd love to have you join us during the tour. Childcare will be provided. Please bring your own table service and a dish to share.

Iowa Mennonite Historical Society: Join us for our upcoming Mennonite Historical Society of Iowa Fall Meeting. It will be held at Kalona Mennonite Church in Kalona on Monday, November 3, 2025. From 5:30 - 6:30 pm there will be a soup supper with sit-down only. Donations accepted. At 7:00 pm, Frank Yoder will give a presentation entitled, "When Truth Is Stranger Than Fiction: Noah Troyer, the Sleeping Preacher."

MCC: MCC is hiring a *Transformative Justice Program Coordinator* to advance MCC Central States's work on transformative and restorative justice, addressing mass incarceration, supporting justice-impacted people, and promoting change through education, capacity building, program development, and advocacy. This full-time position is offered in these locations: the MCC office in North Newton, KS or remotely in: Kansas, Texas, Colorado, Montana, Minnesota, New Mexico, or Oklahoma. View the full job description and apply online at mcc.org/cs-tjp-coordinator by October 17. Questions? Contact roxyreyes@mcc.org.

MCUSA: MC USA has awarded the 2025 Bring the Peace award to Legacy Peacemaker Joe Roos and Young Peacemaker Ciela Acosta. The award, sponsored by MC USA's Church Peace Tax Fund, highlights the peace and justice work of people within MC USA. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/btp/

Duncan Smith, director of The Corinthian Plan, looks at changing governmental priorities and their impact on health and health/medical insurance — and how we can respond, in his Menno Snapshots blog, "Healthcare and the 'perfect storm' on the horizon." mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/health/

MMN: *Ready for a life-changing gap year?* Dive into Service Adventure, a 10-month volunteer journey ages 17-20, now accepting applications for the term starting August 2026. Live in community with peers and unit leaders, serve with local nonprofits and deepen in your faith alongside a supportive church congregation. Embrace adventure, grow in purpose and make a difference. Apply: MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure.