

Adults Sunday School

Fall Salt & Light: Their Story, Our Story, and God's Message
Session 5, "But I Am Only a Youth!" Jeremiah 1:1-19

MYF

- **10/12** – 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: Kendall, Sarah, Nora, Ivy and Elsie Leichty

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, Ryan Robertson, Lois Klopfenstein

To better provide care for those in the hospital, please contact a Pastor or an Elder if you or a family member are (or will be) hospitalized.



The oil lamp is lit every service as a reminder to pray for peace and for the people of our world who are caught in war and violence.

CPMC Prayer Request As Pastor Appreciation Month commences we give thanks for all the faithful shepherds in Central Plains Mennonite Conference! Our conference is blessed with the leadership of so many good pastors!

MMN Prayer Request Today, Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service units bring closure to their five-day retreat, hosted by the Alamosa Colorado unit in Colorado. Pray that participants will return to their units renewed by this time of worship, mutual encouragement, learning and fun.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Hillcrest/CCCC \$1,145; Conference \$250; Missions \$250



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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: Recorded Music

Worship Leader: Michael Black

Song Leader: Creek Band

Communion Music: Kathy Yoder

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Offering: Conference (10/12 Home Missions)

Sharing & Prayers

Silent Preparation

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising

Blessed Be Your Name

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Sanctuary

Hearing the Word

Scripture Readings: Psalm 1:1-3 (p. 380 OT)

John 15:1-17 (p. 84 NT)

Message: Corben Boshart, "Bear Fruit"

Responding

WB 472 I am the Bread of life

Communion

Sending

Benediction

Doxology

Thank you to Sheldon & Lori Miller for serving as ushers today.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Matt Bolger

SUGAR CREEK NEWS

Baskets for the Elders' Sharing Fund are set out today. The Elders' Sharing Fund is used at the discretion of the Elders to take care of special needs of individuals and families in the congregation and in our community.

Extension: Please see the list of requested home furnishings on the north bulletin board if you have items to contribute.

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

TODAY

- Communion

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

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

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, OCTOBER 22

- **2:30 PM:** Worship Planning Meeting, MYF Room

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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 and Joel Beachy as they tell us about their recent pilgrimages: Erin & Friends to the Iona Abbey in Scotland and Joel with his family to Ecuador to learn more about the Ecuador Partnership. 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: Homecoming Weekend - Take in a weekend full of tradition and connection at Hillcrest Academy's Homecoming & Alumni Family Weekend on October 10–11. It's the perfect time to reunite with old friends and make new ones as we celebrate the Hillcrest community together.

- Alumni Soccer Game - The annual game will begin with a ceremony honoring longtime soccer coach, Marcus Miller around 6:30 PM.
- Joetown Classic - On the morning of Sat, Oct 11, register at hillcrestravens.org/joetownclassic. Again this year, participants will get a colorful commemorative glass. Also, this year we will be hosting only one 5K race/walk (no kid's race) and the race/walk won't be timed. But don't worry, the overall male and female winners will still receive the JC5K traditional pan of cinnamon rolls.
- Pork Supper - Serving from 4:30-7:00 PM on the Sat, Oct 11, get your tickets from any junior student or online at hillcrestravens.org/porksupper.

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!

Impact Kids: United Church of Crawfordsville's after-school program, Impact Kids, began September 24th and will continue 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.

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: "Conflict happens ... but it doesn't have to be destructive and can, in fact, be a catalyst for growth, healing and deeper faith," writes Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz, MC USA denominational minister for Peace and Justice, in her Menno Snapshots blog. Read it and find resources for addressing conflict here: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/conflict-transformation

Wondering what's ahead for your health coverage in 2026? Join MC USA for an interactive Zoom meeting on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 11 a.m. PT/2 p.m. ET to explore upcoming changes in the health coverage market and what they could mean for your premiums. The second half will feature a Q&A time about The Corinthian Plan. Register here: <https://bit.ly/TCP2026>

Mennonite Church USA is seeking an Executive Director for The Corinthian Plan to lead, manage, and grow The Corinthian Plan, the health coverage plan sponsored by MC USA covering pastors and other church workers, according to the strategic direction of the Church Benefits Board and consistent with MC USA vision. Pastoral/leadership experience is preferred. Must have strong writing and communication skills and the ability to creatively adapt to a changing industry and church environment. FTE: 1; Location: Dispersed. MC USA is committed to diversity among staff and welcomes people of diverse backgrounds and abilities to apply. To request an application form, contact HR@MennoniteUSA.org or call (574)523-3027. The application deadline is November 1, 2025. View the job description here: <http://bit.ly/4o4Mda3>

MMN: *Live your faith through action!* Join Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) for a transformative one-year volunteer experience for ages 20+ starting August 2026, with an option to extend your placement. Serve with organizations addressing critical community needs, like health, education and immigration. By living with peers in a unit house and growing with a local faith community, MVSers join in a global movement for peace and a more just world. Ready to make a difference? MennoniteMission.net/MVS