

Adults Sunday School

Fall Salt & Light: Their Story, Our Story, and God's Message
Session 4, "Rachel and Leah: Finding Worth Beyond Rivalry,"
Genesis 29:31 – 30:24

MYF

- **TODAY** – Bible Study, MYF Room, 6-7:30 PM
- **10/4** – Can sorting @Corey Farmer's shop, 10:30 AM
- **10/12** – Bible Study, TBD

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: Mary Henderson and Sheri Van Elsacker

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, Rod & Kathy Roth

CPMC Prayer Request We pray for Milford Mennonite as they install a pastoral team of Ben Ramirez, Aaron Policky, Aaron Steckly, and DJ Yoder, and license DJ Yoder for ministry. Pray for the ministry that Milford Mennonite and this team share.

MMN Prayer Request Pray that Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service participants in San Francisco, California — Bella Kephart, Keyan Krabill, Emmi Scott and Ana Esperanza Neufeld Weaver, who is continuing for a second year — will build good rhythms of life, as they learn to live as a household, adjust to their service assignments and integrate into their host congregation, First Mennonite Church of San Francisco.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$1,751; General Fund \$550



September 28, 2025



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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: Lowell Unruh

Song Leader: Heather & Brian Herschberger

Gathering

STJ 3 Jesus calls us here to meet him

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Preparation

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 102 To God be the glory

WB 151 Marvelous grace of our loving Lord

WB 328 O God, our help in ages past

Hearing the Word

Children's Story: Maria Roth

Scripture Readings: Exodus 1:1-14, 2:24-25 (p. 38 OT)

Mark 1:9-15 (p. 27 NT)

Message: Corben Boshart, "New Creation"

Responding

WB 167 For God so loved us

Offering: Hillcrest/CCCC & MyCC (10/5 Conference)

Sharing & Prayers

Sending

Benediction

STJ 77 The peace of the earth be with you

Thank you to Mark & Linda Boshart for serving as ushers today.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Corben Boshart

SUGAR CREEK NEWS

Baskets for the Elders' Sharing Fund will be set out next week. 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:
<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>

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

- **9:00 AM:** Parkview Worship
- Affirmation Ballots
- Anointing: If you would like to be anointed, please come forward and see Pam following the service.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

- **9:00 AM:** Mennonite Women, Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

- Communion

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

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

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AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CPMC: *Central Plains Outreach, Service, and Formation Committee is working with Mennonite Mission Network to offer another Just Peace Pilgrimage, November 9-16, 2025.* This one-week opportunity allows participants to better understand the realities of migration at the US-Mexico border as they experience how communities of faith are responding. For more information and to register, visit centralplainsmc.org/border-pilgrimage.html. The registration deadline is October 1. If you have any questions about the tour, you may contact Rhonda Brubacher at rsbrubach@earthlink.net or Tara Stahl at tlynae@yahoo.com.

CCCC: There is lots going on at Crooked Creek in the next few 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: *SAVE THE DATE* - Hillcrest Academy's Homecoming & Alumni Family Weekend is set for October 10–11. Join us for a weekend full of tradition and connection. 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!

Iowa Mennonite Action: What is going on in Palestine? We hear different perspectives. Melanie Yoder Salim, daughter of Wilbur and Helen Yoder, grew up here in Iowa and now lives in Pennsylvania. She serves on the organizing committee with Mennonite Action and traveled with their delegation to Palestine. Yoder Salim will share her experiences of seeing widespread devastation and of meeting refugees. Hear her story on Sunday, October 12, at East Union Mennonite Church (5615 Gable Ave SW, Kalona). Come at 6 pm for a finger foods potluck and a time of fellowship. Bring your own table service. Yoder Salim will share at 7 pm.

MCC: *Thank you for taking part in this year's MCC School Kit Challenge!* Thanks to the work of people like you throughout the U.S. and Canada, we went well above our goal of 25,000 school kits for the 2025 challenge. Working together, you, your community and other devoted supporters packed 29,639 school kits! Each of the 29,639 school kits you shared will be a gift and treasure for a student dreaming of a bright future — and for the loved ones, teachers and community members dreaming alongside them. Thank you for being part of this year's School Kit Challenge. We hope you'll join us again next year!

Immigration Learning Tour in South Texas, October 4-9. This immigration-focused learning tour presents a unique opportunity to engage directly with organizations making a positive impact on our neighbors. Find out more and register at mcc.org/learning-tour-texas.

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: Emma Nord, a recent graduate of Eastern Mennonite University, spent July traveling Europe with the EMU Chamber Singers. The choir concluded their trip by performing with four other ensembles at Mennonite World Conference's Anabaptism at 500 celebration in Zurich, Switzerland. Read about her experience in MC USA's Menno Snapshots here: mennoniteusa.org/united-to-sing

MMN: Mennonite Voluntary Service – Live out your faith through service! Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) is now accepting applications for the 2026-27 term. This one-year volunteer experience is open to individuals age 20+, with the option to extend placements for an additional one to two years. Serve with organizations addressing critical community needs, such as health, education, immigration and more. You won't do it alone, though! By living with peers in a unit house and growing with a local faith community, MVSers join in the global movement to work for peace and a more just world. Ready to jump in? Go to MennoniteMission.net/MVS to learn more and apply.

Service Adventure – Can a gap year change your life? Only if you're up for adventure! Service Adventure applications are now open for the 2026-27 term. Service Adventure is a 10-month volunteer experience for young adults ages 17-20. Live in community with peers and unit leaders, serve with local nonprofit agencies, and grow in your faith with a supporting church congregation! Learn more and apply at MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure.

International workers need support – Mennonite Mission Network invites prayer and financial support for Joseph and Rachel Givens, who serve with the Maria Skobtsova Housing Association in Calais, France. This ministry provides vital shelter and support to migrating people seeking refuge as they journey toward England. To sustain this critical work, additional funding is urgently needed. You can make a difference! Visit MennoniteMission.net/Workers/Givens to donate. For questions or to learn more about the Givens' work with immigration, contact Elizabeth Eby at ElizabethE@MMNWorld.net.