Adults Sunday School

Salt & Light session 11, "How *Not* to Eat the Supper of the Lord."

- Discussion Class: Meet in the Fellowship Hall
- College/Young Adults: Meet in the Loft Classroom



Remember in prayer this week: Jeremy, Jami, Kylie & Ayla Miller and Ardell & Judy Kliewer

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Opal Reschly, Pauline Wyse, JaNan Peterson (Tamara's friend), Cynthia Hallet, Warren Scarff, Larry Graber,

Ryan Robertson, Kent McDougal, Lois Klopfenstein, Rod & Kathy Roth, Dineal Armenta (Roni's sister)



Today we celebrate Father's Day, a day to honor the men who have shaped our lives through their love, guidance, and strength. Let us also remember the love and care of our Heavenly Father.

Congratulations to Brett & Jaelyn Hesseltine on the birth of Colsen Jack, who was born June 3. We wish God's blessing on their family and pray that he grows loving, strong, and healthy. The rose on the pulpit is for Colsen.

CPMC Prayer Request Pray for the Central Plains congregations that are in the midst of processes of congregational discernment. We pray for God's leading and guidance in the midst of changing congregational patterns.

MMN Prayer Request Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for SEMILLA, the Latin American Anabaptist Seminary in Guatemala, which provides theological education for 13 Anabaptist-Mennonite conferences in Central America and Mexico. Through virtual education, it provides training to Spanish speakers around the world. Pray that SEMILLA would have all the resources necessary to continue this ministry.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: Home Missions \$3,200; VBS \$2,440; Missions \$820; General Fund \$550; Conference \$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

Live Stream: https://tinyurl.com/SCMLiveStream

facebook.com/sugarcreekmennonitechurch

Prelude/Offertory: Recorded Music

Worship Leader: Mike Roth Song Leader: Mattias Luitjens Accompanist: Kathy Yoder

Gathering

WB 12 Come, let us all unite to sing Welcome & Announcements Silent Preparation Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 151 Marvelous grace of our loving Lord WB 87 Great is the Lord

Hearing the Word

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13 (p.134)

Special Music: Something Beautiful

Message: George Hansen, "Love Does Strange Things"

Responding

WB 592 Love divine, all loves excelling

Offering: Home Missions

Sharing & Prayers

Sending

Benediction Doxology

NEXT SUNDAY

Nathan Luitjens

SUGAR CREEK NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Anabaptism at 500 Service: Here is the link to the Mennonite World Conference Anabaptism at 500 service recording that Connie mentioned during her sermon last Sunday: https://mwc-cmm.org/en/zurich-livestream/

Children's Summer Sunday School: We still need someone to sign up for June 22 to complete the month. Please use the link or contact Tawnya Achen or Katy Black to sign up. Thank you! signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4FA8AC29A5FB6-56493628-childrens#/

Fellowship: There are several open dates for summer cookie time. Please contact Mary Jo Richard or use the signup link: signupgenius.com/go/4090E45AEAB2DA0FA7-50902927-sugar

Summer Office Hours: There will be no regular office hours this summer. Please feel free to contact Katy by email or cell!

Thank you: Hello, Sugar Creek Mennonite Church Family! After a trip that was not completely stress-free, I arrived in Buffalo Wednesday afternoon. I felt you often as I traveled. Often the mostaza/mustard, montaña/mountain song came to my mind. Thank you for your faith in God that translated to answered prayers for me! ~Love and Blessings, Connie Zehr (P.S. How are the bean plants doing? Is the Jesus balloon still floating above you in the sanctuary?)

TODAY

Father's Day

• 9:00 AM: Parkview Worship

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

• 11:00 AM: Parkview Devotions

11:30 AM: Lunch Bunch, Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM: Church Council, MYF Room

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2

• 9:00 AM: Mennonite Women, Fellowship Hall

Thank you to Garry & Lori Leichty for serving as ushers today.

JUNE 15, 2025 AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cradle of Hope: Cradle of Hope has many valuable opportunities for expecting and new parents to learn skills that build strong and healthy families. Through Father's Day, we encourage you to take home a baby bottle and collect change or cash to fill it up. Bring bottles back to the display in the foyer. If you prefer writing a check, make it out to Cradle of Hope. Our total collected so far is \$104.55. Thank you!

CCCC: If you are able to help in the Crooked Creek camp kitchen, please use the signup, or contact Heather Bender (319-653-3611): https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C45A9A729A3FDCF8-56369971-2025#/

Hillcrest: *Ledru Needs Your Help!* – (1) Painting: Could be done during the day, evenings or weekends (2) Mowing: Would be done when the person who regularly mows is unavailable and could be day, evening or weekends (3) Extra set of hands: Some projects that he works around campus that would be easier and faster if someone to lend a hand, this would be done during his normal working hours from 7:15 AM - 3:45 PM (4) People with knowledge in the trades (electrical, plumbing, HVAC, vehicle maintenance) that he could call for projects or questions. If any of this sounds like you, please contact Ledru Miller, Hillcrest Facilities Manager at ledrumiller@hillcrestravens.org.

Host Family Opportunity – Hillcrest Academy is seeking a host family to welcome an international student for the 2025–26 school year. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your home, learn about another culture, and make a lasting impact on a student's life. The family will work with WorldLink and can choose a student from a few profiles. The student will be here for one year and will receive a small allowance to help cover some of the costs. Please consider this meaningful opportunity. Email Rebecca Beachy Miller at restravens.org for more information.

Hillcrest Academy Golf Benefit – You're invited to the annual Hillcrest Academy Golf Benefit at Kalona Golf Course on Saturday, July 19. This isn't just a day of friendly competition and beautiful swings, it's a great way to invest directly in the lives of our students. Register your team today and be a part of something truly meaningful. We can't wait to see you there. For more details, to register, or to be a sponsor go to hillcrestravens.org/golfbenefit and contact Jeremy Ours at jours@hillcrestravens.org with questions.

MCC: Register today for the MCC 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 at mcc.org/learning-tour-texas.

MCUSA: From Spirit-led conversations to glam-bot-style selfies, the exhibit hall at MC USA's Follow Jesus '25 national convention promises to be more than just a showcase — it's a hub of connection, celebration and discovery. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/fj25-exhibit

MC USA invites women from across the denomination to reclaim rest as resistance at the MC USA Women's Summit on July 8, 2025, a transformative one-day event immediately preceding the Follow Jesus '25 national convention in Greensboro, North Carolina. Register and learn more here: convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/women-summit/

MC USA is seeking an archivist coordinator for the Elkhart office. The coordinator oversees the accessioning, arrangement, description and preservation of permanent records for MC USA in textual, photographic, audiovisual, micrographic and multimedia formats. Job description: mennoniteusa.org/employment/archivist To request an application form, contact HR@MennoniteUSA.org or call 574-523-3027.

Mindy Nolt, who attends Blossom Hill Mennonite Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, reflects on how difficult it can be to find time and space to rest and regain her energy, especially as a Christian woman who has experienced the pressures that the Christian patriarchy has placed on her. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/protecting-our-energy

MMN: Just Peace Pilgrimages -

- South Africa Racial Justice Pilgrimage: This pilgrimage will explore the enduring scars of settler colonialism
 and apartheid focusing on the raw realities of race and land dispossession and their grip on South African
 society past and present. Date: September 16-28, 2025; the optional safari extends the trip by three days.
- <u>Underground Railroad Racial Justic Pilgrimage:</u> Step into the courage of faith communities that defied oppression to guide enslaved people to liberation. This chapter of the Racial Justice pilgrimage series explores the literal and spiritual journeys of emancipation. Join us to honor the past and inspire action for justice. *Date: July 13-20, 2025*

To register for these pilgrimages or to inquire about scheduling a trip for a group, email Stephanie Weaver at StephanieW@MennoniteMission.net. To learn more about these and six more pilgrimages, visit MennoniteMission.net/JustPeace

Calling all bold change-makers! – Want to learn to transform weapons into symbols of hope? Service Adventure is seeking passionate participants for the 2025-2026 term (August to July). One placement, RAWtools in Colorado Springs, brings the idea of turning swords into plowshares to our current context by turning guns into garden tools, art and jewelry. As a participant, you'll dive into hands-on blacksmithing and woodworking, designing and creating garden tools, art, and jewelry from destroyed guns. Experience valued but not required. Visit MennoniteMission.net/ServiceAdventure to learn more and to register.

Visionary leaders needed – These full-time positions can work from the Elkhart, Indiana, or Newton, Kansas, offices, remotely from anywhere in the country, or a hybrid of the two.

Regional Director for Latin America: Answer the call to guide Mission Network's ministries across Latin America. This full-time position based in Elkhart, IN, or Newton, KS offices; remotely; or hybrid, will challenge you to forge partnerships, shape innovative mission strategies, and uplift international service workers. For more information and to apply, visit MennoniteMission.net/Employment.

<u>Training and Resources Facilitator:</u> Build vibrant, missional congregations! This full-time role based in Elkhart, IN, or Newton, KS offices; remotely; or hybrid, will support church planting within Mennonite Church USA by developing leaders, training, coaching, and weaving networks for new and existing missional congregations. For more information and to apply, visit <u>MennoniteMission.net/Employment</u>.