Adults Sunday School

Fall Salt & Light: The Soul of a Nation, Unit 2
Session 8: "God's Works Are Not Forgotten"
Judges 17:1-6; 18:18-19, 27

MYF

- **TODAY –** Bible Study, MYF Room, 6PM
- **Nov. 1 –** Bible Study, MYF Room, 6PM

JYF

Wednesdays from 6-8 PM, Wayland Mennonite Basement
6th-8th Graders: Join us for a meal, Bible study, and games!
To join, help out, or for more info, contact Pastor Josh Wenger 319-541-9307 or joshwenger88@gmail.com.



Remember in prayer this week: Rod Roth, Kathy Roth, Mark Boshart, Ronda West, Matt Slagel, Josae Frazer, Sonja Roth, and Justin Freyenberger

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Mark (Julie) Messer, Victoria Perez, Keith Zehr, Roni Stowers, Lois Klopfenstein, Erika Leichty Seymore, Toni Roth, Deb Roth, Paul VonTersch, Sheldon Miller, Dick Yoder, Arlene Wenger, Roxanne Rogers (Kathy Yoder's sister), Cindy Freyenberger Harms

Pray for those at Parkview: Opal Reschly, Anita Swartzendruber and Mary Henderson

CPMC Prayer Request We pray for those in our conference who are taking or considering classes in seminary and/or exploring calls to ministry. We give thanks for the nudgings of the Spirit, and pray for fortitude and courage for those who are studying, praying, and discerning the ministries to which God has called them.

MMN Prayer Request As Halloween approaches and children across the U.S. go trick-or-treating, while adults and teenagers attend Halloween parties, pray for the safety and good decision-making for all participating.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering: General Fund $6,750; Missions $1,901; Home Missions $1,900; Education $220; Conference $200; CCCC $50; Parkview $50; VBS $50

1 IF I SPEAK IN THE TONGUES OF HUMANS AND OF ANGELS BUT
DO NOT HAVE LOVE, I AM A NOISY GONG OR A CLANGING
CYMBAL. 2 AND IF I HAVE PROPHETIC POWERS AND UNDERSTAND
ALL MYSTERIES AND ALL KNOWLEDGE AND IF I HAVE ALL FAITH
SO AS TO REMOVE MOUNTAINS BUT DO NOT HAVE LOVE, I AM
NOTHING. 3 IF I GIVE AWAY ALL MY POSSESSIONS AND IF I HAND
OVER MY BODY SO THAT I MAY BOAST BUT DO NOT HAVE LOVE,
I GAIN NOTHING.
4 LOVE IS PATIENT; LOVE IS KIND; LOVE IS NOT ENVIOUS OR
BOASTFUL OR ARROGANT 5 OR RUDE. IT DOES NOT INSIST ON
ITS OWN WAY; IT IS NOT IRRITABLE; IT KEEPS NO RECORD OF
WRONGS; 6 IT DOES NOT REJOICE IN WRONGDOING BUT
REJOICES IN THE TRUTH. 7 IT BEARS ALL THINGS, BELIEVES ALL
THINGS, HOPES ALL THINGS, ENDURES ALL THINGS.
8 *Love never ends.* BUT AS FOR PROPHECIES, THEY WILL COME
TO AN END; AS FOR TONGUES, THEY WILL CEASE; AS FOR
KNOWLEDGE, IT WILL COME TO AN END. 9 FOR WE KNOW ONLY
IN PART, AND WE PROPHESY ONLY IN PART, 10 BUT WHEN THE
COMPLETE COMES, THE PARTIAL WILL COME TO AN END.
11 WHEN I WAS A CHILD, I SPOKE LIKE A CHILD, I THOUGHT LIKE
A CHILD, I REASONED LIKE A CHILD. WHEN I BECAME AN ADULT,
I PUT AN END TO CHILDISH WAYS. 12 FOR NOW WE SEE ONLY A
REFLECTION, AS IN A MIRROR, BUT THEN WE WILL SEE FACE TO
FACE. NOW I KNOW ONLY IN PART; THEN I WILL KNOW FULLY,
EVEN AS I HAVE BEEN FULLY KNOWN. 13 AND NOW FAITH, HOPE,
AND LOVE REMAIN, THESE THREE, AND THE GREATEST OF THESE
IS LOVE.

October 25, 2026

Sugar Creek Mennonite Church

PO Box 146, Wayland, IA 52654
Office Phone: 319-256-6061
Website: sugarcreekmennonitechurch.org
Email address: sugarcreekmc@gmail.com
Office Hours: Tuesday–Thursday, 9:30 AM–1:30 PM

Pastors
Keith Zehr: 315-405-9974 (bluegrass774@hotmail.com)
Connie Zehr: 315-804-2208 (daisymae2000@hotmail.com)

Interim Pastor
Pam Gerig Unruh: 319-750-3091 (pgunruh@gmail.com)

Elders
Lisa Graber: 319-461-0270 (lisacgraber@gmail.com)
Corey Oswald: 319-759-6874 (coswald@eichfarms.com)
Bryce Shelman: 319-750-4241 (bshelman92@gmail.com)

October 25, 2026

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

Prelude/Offertory: Recorded Music
Worship Leader: Robert Achen
Song Leader: Nathan Luitjens

Gathering
Welcome & Announcements
Preparation for Worship
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Praising
Praise Songs

Hearing the Word
Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13 (p. 134)
Message: Susan Janzen, "Love Never Ends"

Responding
Responding Song
Offering: Home Missions & Coins for CROP (11/1 Home Missions)
Sharing & Prayers

Sending
Benediction
Sending Song

Thank you to Jim & Jane Miller for serving as ushers today.

The nursery is available for children two and under.

NEXT SUNDAY
● Keith/Connie Zehr

SUGAR CREEK NEWS
Birthday: Ermadine Boshart will celebrate her 90th birthday on November 3rd and her family would like to honor her with a card shower! Cards may be sent to: 101 Pleasantview Circle, Kalona, IA 52247.

CROP: The WACO CROP Drive is wrapping up the 2026 campaign. Please consider making a monetary donation and/or donations of corn or soybeans. Your support helps those at home and around the world. Thank you!

Crowded Closet: We will have a Crowded Closet work night with Wayland Mennonite on Thursday, November 5 from 5-7 PM. Meet at the Wayland Mennonite parking lot at 4PM if you would like to carpool!

Fellowship Time: To provide cookies for fellowship time, please use the link or contact Lori Leichty: bit.ly/4hvBEMt

MYF Chili Lunch: Join us for chili and fellowship on Sunday, November 8 at 11:30 AM after church! Free will offering proceeds will help to support our trip to convention in Cincinnati next summer. If anyone is willing to provide a pan of bars, it would be much appreciated! Please text or email Matt or Jen if anyone would like to contribute. Thank you!

Nursery Assistant: The nursery is available for children two and under during Sunday School and church. Helpers needed! bit.ly/4j6GyRd

Pastoral Search: A search committee will be formed as we look for a new Pastor. Please keep the Elders and those involved in your prayers as this process begins.

Young Adults Class: Young adults are invited to help shape a new Sunday school class! Join us on November 1st in the loft to discuss topics, questions, and the format you would find most meaningful. Come help us create the class together!

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

● **Anointing:** Please come forward after the service if you wish to be anointed.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

● **6:00 PM:** Worship Planning, MYF Room

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

● **11:00 AM:** Parkview Devotions, Gerald Freyenberger

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

● **5:00 PM:** Crowded Closet Work Night with Wayland Mennonite. Meet at WM parking lot at 4PM if you want to carpool!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

● **11:30 AM:** MYF Chili Lunch, Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

● **6:30 PM:** Game Night, Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

● **5:30 PM:** Elders Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

● **9:00 AM:** Mennonite Women, Fellowship Hall
● **11:30 AM:** Lunch Bunch, Fellowship Hall
● **6:00 PM:** Church Council, MYF Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

● **2:00 PM:** Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall

OCTOBER 25, 2026
AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CPMC: Central Plains Mennonite Conference is looking for a Conference Minister for Ministerial Leadership. This position gives leadership to the credentialing, pastoral transitions, and leadership development and training in Central Plains and serves as a pastor to the ministering persons of the conference. Interested individuals should contact Michael Swartzendruber, Conference Moderator, at mswartzendruber@gmail.com.

CCCC: *We are currently hiring* for a service oriented, highly motivated and dependable maintenance director to care for the grounds and facilities of our 300 acre camp. This role is a vital part of our mission of providing "Christ-centered programs, excellent facilities, and generous hospitality in a setting that celebrates God's creation." For more info and to apply: crookedcreekcamp.org/year-round-employment-opportunities.html

Fall Craft retreat registration, November 6-8, is open. Register online: crookedcreekcamp.org/craft-retreat.html

Wood cutting day will be Saturday, November 7 at 8:00 am at the grassy field by the pool. Bring a chain saw and help cut fallen trees. You get some wood, we get the rest! Morning refreshments and sack lunch will be provided. Call the office to RSVP - 319-653-3611

The 7th annual online auction fundraiser will run November 24-29! We are currently looking for items for the sale, such as baked goods, meat bundles, honey, meals, gift baskets, etc. Contact Heather heather@crookedcreekcamp.org or Amanda amanda@crookedcreekcamp.org if you have an item to donate.

Please join us for a NEW event here at camp on Sunday, December 6. Christmas Crafts, Cocoa & Cookies and Carols! A fun afternoon of crafting, enjoying cookies, and singing carols. The perfect way to get into the Christmas spirit. Registration is required for the craft portion. RSVP crookedcreekcamp.org/christmas-fun.html

GriefShare: *Surviving the Holidays* seminar scheduled Tuesday, November 10, 2026, from 6-8 PM, in Manning Hall, at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church. This seminar is for those facing the holidays after a loved one's death. The video seminar is combined with support group discussion of the materials presented during the video, and those who attend will receive a Survival Guide filled with practical tips, encouraging words, a gospel presentation, journaling ideas, and exercises for daily help through the holiday season. There is no cost to attend, but we do ask that you RSVP to ensure we have plenty of materials for everyone. For more information, call Morgan Yoder at 319-385-1998 or email morgan@olsonyoderfh.com

Hillcrest: *Blood Drive* - The Hillcrest Academy Compassion Club is hosting a blood drive on Mon, Nov 2 from 7:00 AM-12:00 PM in Hillcrest Union (gym). Plan now to donate blood by scheduling a donation time through the Hillcrest office at 319-656-2073 and thank you for helping your community in this special way.

Cinderella - Get ready for the enchanting story that proves dreams really do come true as Hillcrest Academy presents Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella on Nov 6-7 in Celebration Hall. General admission tickets for all three performances should be purchased online at hillcrestravens.org/drama. Prices are higher for tickets purchased at the door, so please buy ahead and save. Doors open 45 minutes before each show.

Kalona Chocolates Fundraiser - The Hillcrest Academy sophomore class are selling Kalona Chocolates until Nov 23 to be delivered in time for the Christmas holidays on Dec 19. See a sophomore student to buy chocolates or visit our website at hillcrestravens.org/kalonachocolates.

Iowa Mennonite Historical Society: A Bowl of Soup and a John Deere Tractor? Join us November 2 at 6PM at Kalona Mennonite Church for a free-will soup supper, with a book talk on *Larry's Ride- from Farm to Finance: A Country Boy's Journey.* Larry Miller will present and be available for book signing.

MCUSA: *Special Offering for MC USA Historical Archives* -This October, we give thanks for the stories that connect us to those who came before us and help shape our faith today. The Mennonite Church USA Historical Archives preserves photographs, manuscripts and audiovisual records that tell the story of Mennonites following Jesus, witnessing to God's peace and living out their faith. Your gift helps keep these stories accessible for generations to come. Please prayerfully consider supporting the MC USA Historical Archives by mailing a check to MC USA (noting "EB 265" in the memo line), 718 N. Main St., Newton, KS 67114 or donating through our secure online portal: MennoniteUSA.org/give.

MC USA honors 2026 Bring the Peace award recipients - Mennonite Church USA has named Weldon Nisly and Fernando Daza-Jabian as its 2026 Bring the Peace award recipients. The award honors individuals who embody Christ-centered peacemaking in their communities and beyond. Read the news release here: mennoniteusa.org/news/2026-peacemakers/

Resolution guidelines for 2027 Delegate Assembly - The MC USA Executive Board has appointed a new Resolutions Committee and published guidelines for developing resolutions ahead of the 2027 Delegate Assembly, to be held July 9 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Congregations and area conferences wishing to submit a resolution have until Nov. 11. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/resolution-guidelines-2027/

Walking with hope on the Camino de Santiago - In his Menno Snapshots blog, Marco Güete, MC USA's director of Hispanic Ministries, reflects on walking the Camino de Santiago with his wife, Sandra, and the hope he sees in God's work through Hispanic Ministries, theological education and a new generation of Hispanic pastors and church leaders. Read here: mennoniteusa.org/walking-with-hope/

Finding courage on the road less traveled - Caleb Stoltzfus shares his grandfather's story as a conscientious objector during the Vietnam War and reflects on the courage it takes to walk a road less traveled — as a conscientious objector or as an LGBTQ+ person finding their place in the church. Stoltzfus will lead a related seminar at MC USA's upcoming Waging Peace Summit. Blog post: mennoniteusa.org/finding-courage/

MMN: Want to stay connected to the heart of the mission in a powerful way? Subscribe to Mennonite Mission Network's Prayer Vine, a monthly newsletter containing daily prayer requests for our workers, participants, and partners. Thank you for your prayers! Visit MennoniteMission.net/Prayer to subscribe and see all our prayer materials. Let's lift them up together!

Upper Deer Creek: There is still room to register for the Soul Care Conference hosted at Upper Deer Creek Church on November 5-7, 2026. Dr. Reimer's book "*Soul Care*" and his conferences have helped thousands to lose lifelong pain and struggle to gain a new life of freedom and fullness in Christ. Registration is found online at renewalinternational.org/upcoming-events and closes on November 2, so sign up soon! Contact Karla (319.328.8733) with any questions. We hope you can join us!

West Union Mennonite: All are welcome to join any or all of West Union's spiritual emphasis weekend, *Responding to Corporate Pain: Healing and Hope*. Sunday, November 15 in the morning: Sermon – "Pressing on Toward the Goal" Philippians 3:1-14, Sunday School Hour – Congregational Responses to Trauma. Afternoon: Noon – Lunch, After Lunch – *Where Do We Go from Here?* Discussion and Q&A with speaker Ed Kauffman.