



**This week please remember the following people in prayer:**

Lowell & Pam Unruh and Doran & Cindy Conrad

**Pray for those dealing with and recovering from medical issues:**

Gerald Freyenberger, Eileen Roth, Thomas Bennett (Cassie Graber's brother), Bob Speake (Martha Marsh's brother), Ann Blosser, Ollie Yutzy, Patsy Trussell, Lela Miller, Denise Nebel, Gerald Nebel, Kathryn Nebel

**Central Plains:** Pray for Dave and Shana Peachey Boshart and Tim and Carol Detweiler as they travel to Nashville, Tennessee, later this week to attend the annual gathering of conference ministers of Mennonite Church USA.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Kendra Selzer serves through Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service in Puerto Rico. Pray for her and the Academia Menonita Betania in Aibonito, where she works with pre-kindergarten – grade 10 students and also helps with community clean-up after the September hurricanes.

**Today we offer anointing for:**

**Healing –**

- Physical, emotional, or spiritual brokenness and pain

**Struggling with something in your life –**

- Longing to be set free from something that seems to have you trapped
- Dealing with a difficult decision
- Dealing with relationships in your life that are causing you pain
- Difficult situation that you don't know how to deal with

**Looking forward to something new in your life –**

- New opportunity or relationship that you are excited about
- You feel God is calling you to try something and you need God's strength and wisdom for the task.

**If you would like to be anointed, please go forward after the service.**

**LAST SUNDAY**

**Attendance:** 151

**Offering:** Home missions: \$4394.30; Conference: \$100; Sound system; \$1100.00

# DO I HAVE TO FORGIVE

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## Matthew 18: 23-35

### November 26, 2017

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**November 26, 2017**

*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.*

8:45 am: Prayer in the Prayer Room  
9:15 am: Sunday School for all ages  
10:10 am: Fellowship Time  
10:30 am: Worship

Worship Leaders: Bob & Karen Meyer  
Song Leader: Kathy Roth  
Piano: Kathy Yoder

**Gathering**

*WB 17 We gather together*  
Welcome & Announcements  
Video Call to Worship "Come into His Presence"  
Opening Prayer

**Praising**

*WB 94 Come, ye thankful people*  
*WB 98 Sing to the Lord of harvest*

**Hear the Word**

Come and See Children's Story with Jesus  
Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:23-35  
Nathan, "Parable of the unmerciful servant"

**Response**

*STJ 92 Just as I am, without one plea*  
Offering: Conference/Loose Change (12/3 Parkview)  
Sharing and Prayers

**We Are Sent**

Benediction  
*Give Thanks*

*~There will be anointing after the service today~*

**TODAY**

**•5:00 pm – PL/XPLORE –** Learn more about the Beatitudes!  
"Blessed are those who mourn". Bring a friend!

**THIS WEEK**

**WEDNESDAY, November 29**

**•6:00 pm –** JYF at Wayland Mennonite – Christmas Mystery Supper: Birthday Party for Jesus! If you haven't RSVP'd to Myrna, please do so today! Bring a **NEW** or **LIGHTLY USED** non-breakable Christmas Ornament to put in "elder Christmas Packages".

**NEXT SUNDAY, Dec. 3 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent – "LET IT BE"**

**•10:30 am,** – Nathan, Isaiah 64:1-9 "Hurry up Already!"  
As part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent, we will be sharing in communion.

**•5:30 pm,** Small Group at Larry & Vi Graber's Home

**MYF News**

**Nov. 26** – No MYF

**Dec. 3, 3 pm** – Meet at the church to shop for a family for Christmas.

**Dec. 17, 5 pm** – Bible study. Taylor & Lindsay have devotions & refreshments

**SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Thank you** to everyone that attended the Parkview Soup and Sundae fundraiser on November 12<sup>th</sup>. We served approximately 170 people and received \$7,700 in donations. This money will be used to continue making improvements to the building. Thank you also to those who donated food for the fundraiser. Questions or comments, contact Nancy Eichelberger.

**Thank you** to all who participated and donated to the ING Thanksgiving Basket project. We had a wonderful turnout and had fun putting the baskets together as a church family. Enough funds have been collected to pay for the all the food distributed.

**THANK YOU!** The WACO C.R.O.P. Committee wishes to extend a huge Thank You! for recent donations to the 2017 Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty Drive. This year's total was \$34,544.71, of which Sugar Creek donated \$10,245 in cash and commodities. The C.R.O.P. Drive allots 25% of the total for local needs. The WACO Ministerial Association oversees disbursement of these funds. God bless you for your giving!"

**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 community.

**December 4, 2-7 pm., MW Blood Drive.** Mennonite Women will host their annual blood drive in the fellowship hall. If you would like to sign up please contact Lori Miller, 319.759.1068.

**December 6, Daytime Mennonite Women** will meet. It is visitation day and the project is cookie and fruit plates. A soup lunch will be provided. In preparation for devotions, please consider this question, "*Who has affirmed you? What changed in your life?*" Scripture reference: Luke 7:1-10.

**Sound System Project** - Anyone who would like to give to the sound system project can earmark checks for "sound system" and place them in the offering or give them to Melanie Stutzman.

### **AREA NEWS AND EVENTS**

**The third and final** Central Plains Bible Study webinar with Keith Slater is coming up! Join us at THIS TUESDAY at 7:30 pm. Keith will give guidance on how to prepare good questions in *A Unified Purpose: Preparing to Lead*. RSVP on the Bible Study Webinars page at [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org) by Monday, November 27.

**Bethel Mennonite Church invites the community** to join us THIS Wednesday, November 29th at the Wayland Community Room from 6-8 pm for Horse Drawn Wagon Rides! Fresh homemade donuts and hot drinks will be served in the community room. Spread the word to friends and neighbors to join us as we welcome in the holiday season and spread the light of Jesus!

**Southeast Iowa MCC Meat Canning** will be December 14th and 15th at Daniel K. Yoder's (3344 320th Street, Wellman). There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers on the North bulletin board. Deadline to sign up is December 10th. Questions, contact Larry Graber. Thank you!

**Families with children:** Next week is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of "Yes! Let It Be!" a free, downloadable guide for family worship from December 3 to January 6. Pick and choose the activities that work best for your family. Find it at [www.anabaptistfaithformation.org](http://www.anabaptistfaithformation.org). or take a copy from the table at the back of the sanctuary.

**WACO Elementary Santa Shop** -The Waco PTO will be hosting a Santa Shop again this year for the Elementary students. This is a great activity for the kids to shop for parents, grandparents, and siblings and learn how it really is better to give than to receive! To make this happen we are asking for donations of items for the kids to buy, gift bags, and gift tags. If you have anything you would like to donate OR if you would like to help out ☺...please contact Cassie Graber, Becky Yoder, or Michelle Meyer.

**Homemade Cheese Balls!** Members of Lower Deer Creek Mennonite Church are selling our popular homemade cheese balls as a way to raise funds for missions of the church. The cheese balls are available in 4 flavors: pineapple, ham, veggie and back by popular demand - pesto! They will be made and ready for pickup at Lower Deer Creek Mennonite Church on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$9.50 each or 3 for \$27.00. To place an order call, the church at 656-2076 or email [ldc@kctc.net](mailto:ldc@kctc.net) by December 10.

**Wellman Mennonite Church invites you** on Sunday, December 3 to come and enjoy a traditional Mexican meal. They will be serving pork or chicken tacos, rice & beans (with pico de gallo & guacamole salsa), cheese quesadillas (for the kids), chips and salsa, and strawberry cake for dessert. Lunch will be served from 11:45 am - 1:15 pm; proceeds will provide for the ongoing medical expenses of Melitza Jimenez.

### **CROOKED CREEK CHRISTIAN CAMP**

**Crooked Creek Christian Camp** is on the final dash to fully fund the new Welcome Center building. The goal is to raise \$96,053 to complete the project with contributions or pledges fully paid by December 2018. You can give online at [www.crookedcreekcamp.org/make-a-donation](http://www.crookedcreekcamp.org/make-a-donation)