



This week please remember the following people in prayer:

Tim, Karla, Naomi and Noah Friesen

Pray for those dealing with and recovering from medical issues:

Dick Yoder, Wini Wilt, Ermadine Boshart, Steve Manning (Mary Jo Richard's brother), 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

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Juliet Kilpin of the Anabaptist Network in the United Kingdom. Pray for her as she serves among refugees in Calais, France, through advocacy, presence, and training in nonviolence.

LAST SUNDAY

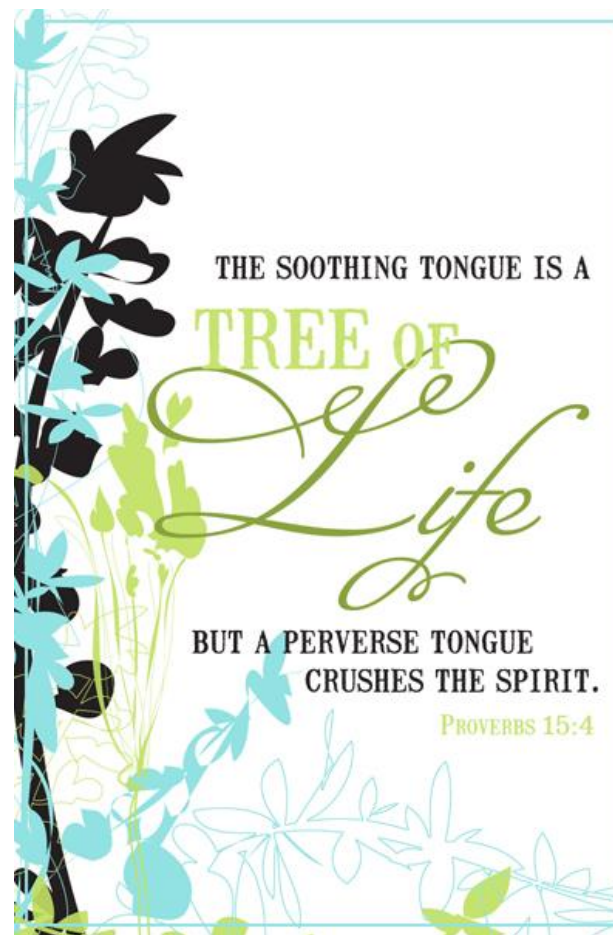
Attendance: 135

Offering: Missions: \$3322; Home missions: \$650; New life House: \$100; Coins for Camp: \$426.06

Sound System Project total-to-date: \$11,860 of the \$32,000 goal.

Remember this week ...

Be sure to
taste your
words
before you
spit them
out.



February 4, 2018

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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.*

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: Jared & Tawnya Achen
Song Leader: Jr. Department & Nathan
Piano: Deb Roth

Sandy Land

Tree Song

10,000 Reasons

Welcome & Prayer

“Children’s Choice” Children’s Story

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 15:1-4, James 3:1-11

Rachelle, “Words Matter”

WB 389 Take my life

Offering: Home Missions
(Missions 2/11/2018)

Sharing and Prayers

Benediction

Celebrate Jesus

Thank you to Tamara & Kevan Zechin for serving in the nursery today!

TODAY

SUPER BOWL SUNDAE LUNCH The Guatemala Service Trip group invites you to LUNCH following the morning worship service. Several varieties of soup & Hines Dairy ice cream sundaes will be served. Proceeds from the fundraiser will be MATCHED up to \$5,000.

NEXT SUNDAY ~ SUNDAY, February 11, 2018

People’s Choice Sermon Series

•**10:30 am** – Nathan, “Heaven & Hell: Are they for real?”
Scripture: 2 Kings 20:1-11

**Primary Department will be providing special music during the morning worship service.*

•**5:00 pm, Small Group** will meet

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, February 6

•**7 pm, Lent Bible Study** led by Nathan. This Bible study will take a deep dive into GRACE by studying Romans. The Bible study will last six weeks.

WEDNESDAY, February 7

• **Mennonite Women** - The project’s will be sewing kits, offering for Mennonite Women USA and scholarship program.
Scripture reading: Matthew 14:22-23 & Mark 1:35-38, “Retreat”.
Question to consider: Is there a situation in which you might need to reach beyond your comfort zone to be present for someone else? Bring a sack lunch for yourself, a dessert will be provided.

•**6 pm, JYF Y.A.R.N. Valentine’s Party (You Are Really Neat)**

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Rachelle, Nathan and the Junior Department shared the morning service at Parkview today.

Rachelle will be at AMBS for a Spiritual Direction class from 2/5-2/10.

The flower arrangement in the front of the sanctuary is from the Harold Miller Family. We extend our condolences to the Harold Miller family. Please pray for Lela and the family as they grieve Harold's passing.

We are planning an adult choir to sing a few selections for Easter Sunday. If you are interested in joining, please contact Tawnya Achen, Deb Roth or Kathy Roth.

The February Prayer Vine is available in the foyer.

Mark your calendar! The dates for Vacation Bible School are June 4-8. We will share more information soon.

If you are willing to serve in the nursery, please sign up at Sign up Genius or contact Maria Roth at 319.750.4125. Thank you!
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go60b0e4fa8ac29a5fb6-sunday>

AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

You can nurture your children's faith at home this Lent and Easter with family worship. Find a free, downloadable guide at www.anabaptistfaithformation.org. For use between March 1 and April 16 (Easter Sunday), it includes a daily Bible reading, short litany, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder together.

Everyone is invited to join the board and staff of Mennonite Central Committee Central States for our annual meeting on Friday, February 23 at 10:30am at the MCC Center ([121 E. 30th](#), North Newton, KS 67117).

Everence will present an informative seminar on the topic of farm commodity giving on Monday, Feb. 12 (10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.). The presentation will explain how the gifting of commodities can provide support for church and charities while also reducing taxes. The recent tax reform may make commodity giving even more advantageous for farmers. The information will be presented by Lyle Miller, Everence Stewardship Consultant, and will be held at Kalona Public Library, 510 C Ave. To reserve your spot, contact Joyce Gingerich at [\(319\) 656-4242](#), [\(877\) 656-4242](#) or joyce.gingerich@everence.com

Plan on supporting the international relief, development and peacebuilding work of Mennonite Central Committee and mark your calendars to attend the **2018 Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale, June 1 and 2 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds**. If you

would like more information on the sale, have items to donate, or would like to volunteer to help, please call Jim Yoder at [319-430-3761](#) or Rebecca Beachy Miller at [\(319\) 631-2461](#).

Looking for that next great adventure? MCC SALT positions now available! Take chances. Make mistakes. Get messy. Be challenged. Learn some things. Teach some things. Spend a year living somewhere that you never dreamed you'd go... Serving and Learning Together (SALT) is a year-long, cross-cultural service experience. Through SALT, Christian young adults from Canada and the U.S. serve internationally in a [wide variety of positions](#) in fields like education, agriculture, health care, information technology, peace and more! Start now at salt.mcc.org, to find answers to frequently asked questions, assignment options and to apply, don't delay the deadline to sign up is Feb. 15!

Women of Central Plains: You are invited to "Sister Care: Equipping Women for Healing Ministries" at the Leadership Center in Aurora, Nebraska, on March 3-4, 2018. Sister Care seminars provide women with tools for ongoing personal healing, for recognizing and celebrating God's grace in their lives, and for responding more confidently to the needs of others. Sister Care is a ministry of Mennonite Women USA and will be led by Rhoda Keener, former director of Mennonite Women USA, and Carolyn Heggen, psychotherapist. For more information or to register online, visit: FMCLincoln.org/WomensRetreatSisterCare or contact First Mennonite Lincoln Church member Carol Knieriem at carolknieriem@hotmail.com or [402-366-6598](tel:402-366-6598).

IMS Café. This years Culinary Arts Class restaurant dates are **February 7 & 21 and March 7**. The restaurant opens at 8:30AM each day and the menu will include various entrees, sides, and desserts. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the school office [319-656-2073](tel:319-656-2073). Cost per person is \$8.

Chili Supper. The annual Chili Supper hosted by the IMS senior class is on **Saturday, February 10** serving from 4:30PM-7:00PM in Hillcrest Union.