



This week please remember the following people in prayer: Don & Kathy Yoder and Randy, Jan & Makenzie Shelman

Pray for those dealing with cancer: Perry Rich (Vernon & Jean Roth's grandson), Michael Stauffer (Dareld Stauffer's son), Nicky Goehring (Mary Jo Freyenberger's sister) and Tim Detweiler.

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Denise Nebel, Gerald Nebel, Kathryn Nebel, Royce Roth, Gary Garton (April Eichelberger's father), Mercedes Duran (Hortensia's sister)

The oil lamp by the organ is a prayer reminder from the Committee on Peace and Social Concerns. It will be lit for every service as a reminder to pray for peace and for the people of our world who are caught in war and violence.

Pray for our missionaries, Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer and their children, Sierra, Naomi, Teresa, and Jordan. They are serving in the Pastaza Region of Ecuador. Pray for guidance as they support indigenous pastors and leaders in themes of creation care, economic justice, rights of women and children, and community development initiatives. The Ross Richers' home congregation is Waterford Mennonite Church in Goshen, Indiana. You can follow the Ross Richers at <http://twowaymission.net>.

Mennonite Mission Network: Today, the Anabaptist youth and young adults in Burgos, Spain, are concluding their fifth annual Origen youth conference weekend. Pray with Brian and Noelia Fox of Mennonite Mission Network that lives will be *Redesigned* (conference theme) as God takes fragmented lives and makes them whole and beautiful.

Central Plains Mennonite: Pray for the Ecuador Partnership meetings happening in Ecuador today through April 11 to plan for the future of the work there. The partnership includes folks from Central Plains, Mennonite Church Colombia and Mennonite Mission Network.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 169

Offering: Conference: \$3,998.00; Home Missions: \$660.00; CCCC: \$100.00; Parkview: \$100.00; Elder's Sharing: \$475.00; Loose Change: \$106.59.



**REJOICE
IN THE LORD
FOR THE
LORD IS
GOOD!**

April 3, 2016

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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 a.m.: Prayer in the Prayer Room
9:15 a.m.: Sunday School
10:10 a.m.: Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m.: Worship

Worship Leaders: Corey & Dana Oswald
Song Leader: Kathy Roth
Piano: Deb Roth

Gathering

WB 584 *They that wait upon the Lord*
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 592 *Love divine, all loves excelling*
Open the eyes of my heart

Hear the Word

Come and See ~ Children's Story
Scripture Reading: Psalm 1 (pg. 380 OT),
Philippians 4:4-9 (pg. 154 NT)
Message: Nathan Luitjens: "Meditate on God"

Responding

WB 588 *Jesus, the very thought of thee*
Offering: Home Missions (4/10 Home Missions)
Sharing and Prayers
Baby Dedication of Owen Douglas Roth

We Are Sent

Benediction
WB 418 *Move in our midst (vs 1)*

Thank you Corey & Renae Farmer for serving in the nursery.

AREA NEWS

Parkview Peanut Auction - The activity department of Parkview Home is planning the annual Peanut Action for the residents on Wednesday, April 6 at 2:00 pm. We are seeking donations of small items the residents will be able to "purchase" at the auction with peanuts. If you would like to donate something for the Peanut Auction, please have items to Parkview Home by Friday, April 1. If you can come assist a resident with the auction, please call Jerilyn Winga, activity director, at 256.2775. Thank you for your support in this special project. (See the North Bulletin Board for a list of Items needed)

The Community Garden planners want to invite church members to partner with families or individuals in our community so that most of the produce is given away to people who could use the fresh produce in ways that increase the healthy living of their families. To kick off the 2016 Community Garden, we are inviting all people who are interested in volunteering in the garden to a special free dinner on Thursday, April 14 at 6:30pm at the Wayland Community Center. Every guest will enjoy a variety of dishes prepared from vegetables that will be planted in the garden and they will receive a free cookbook full of these recipes and many more. You must reserve a seat, so please call Tamara at 319-217-2456 so that we can prepare enough food!

Upper Deer Creek Church is hosting a "Hearing God" conference with sessions beginning Friday evening, April 8 through Sunday evening, April 10. Their presenter is Brian Fenimore. He has a very invitational style of teaching and training us to 'hear God' for everyday living and ministry. See the flyer posted on the North Bulletin Board.

Medicare: It's complicated That's why Kent Blossom, Financial Advisor with your local Everence office is offering *Understanding your Options with Medicare in 2016* at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11, at Kalona Bakery, 209 5th St. Come find out what you need to know about Medicare, what's covered, the types of supplemental plans offered, and deadlines for enrollment. Reserve a seat by April 6 at (319) 656-4242 or Cheryl.martinmiller@everence.com.

Crooked Creek Camp News

Save-the-date for **Camp-A-Palooza, May 14**. Another year of color blasting fun, delicious food, live music and more! More information online.

TODAY

- 6-7 pm Promiseland/Xplore
- JPOG at Washington Mennonite Church
 - 6 pm finger foods supper
 - 7 pm Deborah Coble Wise sharing

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, April 5

- 7:00 pm Luke Bible study Chapters 21-24, MYF Room

WEDNESDAY, April 6

- Mennonite Women, Project: Bars of hand soap for MCC (4 oz. or larger), Casserole lunch provided.
- 1:00 pm, Elder's Meeting at Karen's House
- 6:15 pm, JYF – Supper and worm races at Wayland Mennonite

NEXT SUNDAY

- 10:30 am, Nathan Luitjens, "Pray Always"
Luke 11: 1-13, 1st Thessalonians 5:12-22

MYF NEWS

April 3 No MYF
April 10 Bible Study, Duncan has devotions and snack
April 17 Bible Study, Skye has devotions and snack
April 24 No MYF

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, April 17, 5:30 pm - I.N.G. Night at Eicher Mennonite Church. We will be packaging food bags for Kids Against Hunger. Following the project we will have a light supper at Eicher Shelter house weather permitting. If you as an individual or Sunday school class would like to make a donation toward this project give your donation to Wendy Scarff and earmark for Kids Against Hunger Project.
- Wednesday, April 27 - Women's Spring Salad Supper
- Crooked Creek Christian Camp - Registration is now open online! Register as soon as possible as some sessions fill quickly! Sugar Creek covers half of the registration fee, so don't forget to mark that as you register!
- June 6-10, VBS WEEK!

SUGAR CREEK NEWS

Thank you for all the beautiful 90th birthday cards you sent me. They were greatly appreciated. – Lela Miller

In order to better provide spiritual care for those in the hospital please contact one of the elders if you or a family member are (or will be) hospitalized.

Church Office News: In an effort to save money we are going down to one telephone line at the church. If you are calling the church please use the 319.256.6061 phone number. Thank you!

Bulletin announcements are due by 10 am on Thursdays.



VBS

MONDAY, JUNE 6 – FRIDAY, JUNE 10

Vacation Bible School will be here before you know it. There are opportunities to participate for everyone. If you would like to teach, help with crafts, sing, work with drama (not create it! 😊), serve in the kitchen, play with recreation there is a place for you. If you are willing to bake cookies or cinnamon rolls or be a prayer partner the signup sheet is on the north bulletin board in the foyer. Contact April Eichelberger or Michelle Meyer if you are willing to help with this ministry. Thank you for your support of 2016 VBS!

