

Ten Thousand Villages is excited to announce that their pop-up store is open and active at Schlabaugh and Sons Woodworking in Kalona, 720 14th St. If you are interested in supporting their mission to create opportunities for artisans around the world but are unable to make it to their Iowa City location, please keep this in mind. If you are looking for a specific product and would like it to be available at the Kalona location or if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cassidy at iowacity@tenthousandvillages.com.



This week please remember the following people in prayer:

Troy, Cassie, Elyssa, Deedra, Jacob, & Jenna Graber

Pray for those dealing with and recovering from medical issues:

Barb Swailes, Emily (Shepherd)

Nuetzman, Dick Yoder, Bob Speake (Martha Marsh's brother), Ollie Yutzy

Central Plains: Pray for the youth, sponsors and volunteers gathered this morning for worship at Youth Escape 2018, that they would encounter the transforming love of God and respond with joy. Also, today John Tyson is being installed as pastor at Des Moines Mennonite Church. Pray for John and the congregation as they begin their ministry together.

Mennonite Mission Network: This month, Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer and their four children leave Ecuador to begin the North American portion of their two-way mission through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for them as they transition between cultures and bring God's call to faithfulness to churches in the United States.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 95

Offering: \$2183 Missions; \$850 Home Missions; \$50 Parkview; \$100 Word Alive.

The Lord
does not look at
the things people look at.
People look
at the outward
appearance,
but the Lord
looks at the heart. 1 Samuel 16:7

July 22, 2018

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July 22, 2018

*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 Leader: Deedra & Troy Graber
Song Leader: Annette Boshart Von Tersch
Piano: Abbey Shelman

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

WB 76 Praise, I will praise, Lord

WB 545 Be thou my vision

Scripture reading: 1 Samuel 16:7 pg. 202 pew Bible

Gerry Klopfenstein: Inward or Outward

Open the eyes on my heart, Lord

Offering: Home Missions (7/29 Home Missions, Loose Change)

Announcements, Sharing & Prayers

Benediction

May the Lord, mighty God

There is no nursery today

We want to welcome and thank Gerry Klopfenstein for the morning message today.

NEXT SUNDAY ~ July 29

Summer Series: Sojourners in the Bible

10:30 am, WACO Ministries Pulpit Exchange,
Kelly Slagel; Deuteronomy 8:6-18 "Remember".

MYF News

July 29: 4:00 pm Freshman Welcome/Senior Farewell at Graber's pool.

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Nathan, Rachelle, and the boys are on vacation through August 7th. Pray for safe travels and rest as they spend time with family and friends. If you have any pastoral needs during this time, please contact an Elder.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 1

MENNONITE WOMEN will meet. The project will be making school kits. Bring a sack lunch and dessert will be provided.

Devotions: John 3:1-10 "Learn"

Question: *Think about how your mission can be shaped by your openness to learning.*

MCC SCHOOL KITS – Mennonite Women are asking the congregation to help make school kits that will be sent to Mennonite Central Committee. We encourage you to begin donating the items now and we will be collecting the items through the month of August. **Each kits needs: 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 ½ x 10 ½ in – 70 pages each), 8 unsharpened #2 pencils, 12 colored pencils in packaging, 1 large pink eraser, 2 new black or blue ink pens, 54" shoestring.**

ANNUAL REPORTS: Once again it's time to reflect on the past year and plan for the upcoming year. The annual report deadline is August 20th. If you are a church representative, committee chair, superintendent, Sunday school president we want to hear from you! When your report is finished please forward a copy to the church office at sugarcreekmc@gmail.com or turn a copy into the office. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! August 19 is our annual worship service at CCCC! We will have our morning worship service beginning at 10 am at the camp with a potluck lunch to follow.

Back-to-School is right around the corner. To reach out to those in our local community, we would like to assist with providing school supplies. The basket in the back of the sanctuary is for donations to purchase school supplies. On August 15, we will have a School "Shopping" Night. Everyone is welcome to come and shop for your school supplies and share in a light meal.

Sugar Creek Congregation is invited to join N. Main Street Mennonite Church Nappanee IN. to celebrate the ministry and retirement of Pastor Ruben Chupp Sun. July 29, 2018. Ruben served Sugar Creek, 1990-1998. Invitation is on the North bulletin board.

AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Parkview Home is now taking applications for FT and PT dietary aides. Apply in person. EOE

Sunday School teachers of adults, do you know you should prepare more but don't know where to begin? Check out Session 3, "Preparing to Lead," in our video series, *Open the Book: Tips for Leading Bible Study*, at www.centralplainsmc.org/bible-study-videos.

Bethel Church is excited to announce that this year's VBS theme is *Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus*. At Shipwrecked VBS, kids don't just hear about God's love; they see it, touch it, sing it, taste it, and put it into action through God Sightings. This summer, venture onto an uncharted island where kids will learn to survive and thrive by being anchored in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms... **We invite kid's age 4 through 6th grade, to join us July 23 - 25. Register today on Bethel's Facebook page!**

Two upcoming Mental Health First Aid Classes in August, please sign up now if you plan to attend. Classes are offered at no cost thanks to support from the from the Mental Health & Disability Services of the East Center Region. Classes are 2-days in the afternoon Monday, August 6th & Wednesday, August 8th from 12:30 – 5:30 pm. For more information look at North bulletin board.

Getting Ahead Classes: Word Alive and WACO Ministerial Association are excited to announce that we will be offering the Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin'-By World curriculum through an in-depth class that will start the first Monday after Labor Day and continue for sixteen to eighteen weeks. Each class will begin with a meal at Parkview Meeting Room in Wayland. Free childcare and transportation are available if needed. If you are interested being a part of this class or know someone who may benefit from it, please contact Tamara Zechin at 319-217-2456 as soon as possible. **Space is limited, so we need applications now.**

Volunteers Needed: In order to make our Getting Ahead classes a huge success, we need faithful volunteers from our community. If you are interested in preparing and serving a meal, providing childcare or giving rides to and from classes, please contact Tamara Zechin at 319-217-2456 as soon as possible. Thank you!

We warmly welcome Barb Grieser to our Word Alive team! While Tamara is on maternity leave, Barb will be at the Word Alive office on Main Street in Wayland every Tuesday and Thursday from 2 until 6pm. You can still stop by and get some food, talk for awhile, ask for assistance or drop off donations

Next Sunday, July 29, we will be having a vote of affirmation for the following positions to be filled for the upcoming church year. Please be in prayer as you review the ballot and for those individuals who will continue to serve the church. A list of all church positions beginning in September will be published.

ANNUAL CHURCH BALLOT – 07/29/2018

*Trustee	Sheldon Miller
*Fellowship Committee	Wendy Scarff
*Worship Planning	Pam Unruh
*Extension / Local Missions	Maria Roth
Peace & Social Concerns	Anita Swartzendruber
Music Committee	Emma Eubanks
Conference Delegates	Greg & Carol Graber
Primary Dept. Superintendent	Heather Freyenberger
MYF Sponsors	Tim & Lisa Graber
Vacation Bible School	Jami & Jeremy Miller
Library Committee	Doris Nelson
Promiseland/Xplore	Tamara & Kevan Zechin
*Council Position or future Council Position	

I AFFIRM ALL THE NAMES ON THIS BALLOT _____