



This week please remember the following people in prayer: Ardell & Judy Kleiwer, Jean Roth

Pray for those dealing with cancer: Thomas Bennett (Cassie Graber's brother), Christopher Liechty (Shirlyn Graber's brother)

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Ollie Yutzy, Patsy Trussell, Inez Roth, Benjie Roth, Collins

DeVaul, Lela Miller, Martha Marsh, Mercedes Ellard, Denise Nebel, Gerald Nebel, Kathryn Nebel, Gary Garton (April Eichelberger's father).

Greg & Carol Graber will be traveling to Kentucky to work with SWAP. Pray for safe travels and opportunities to share and receive God's love.

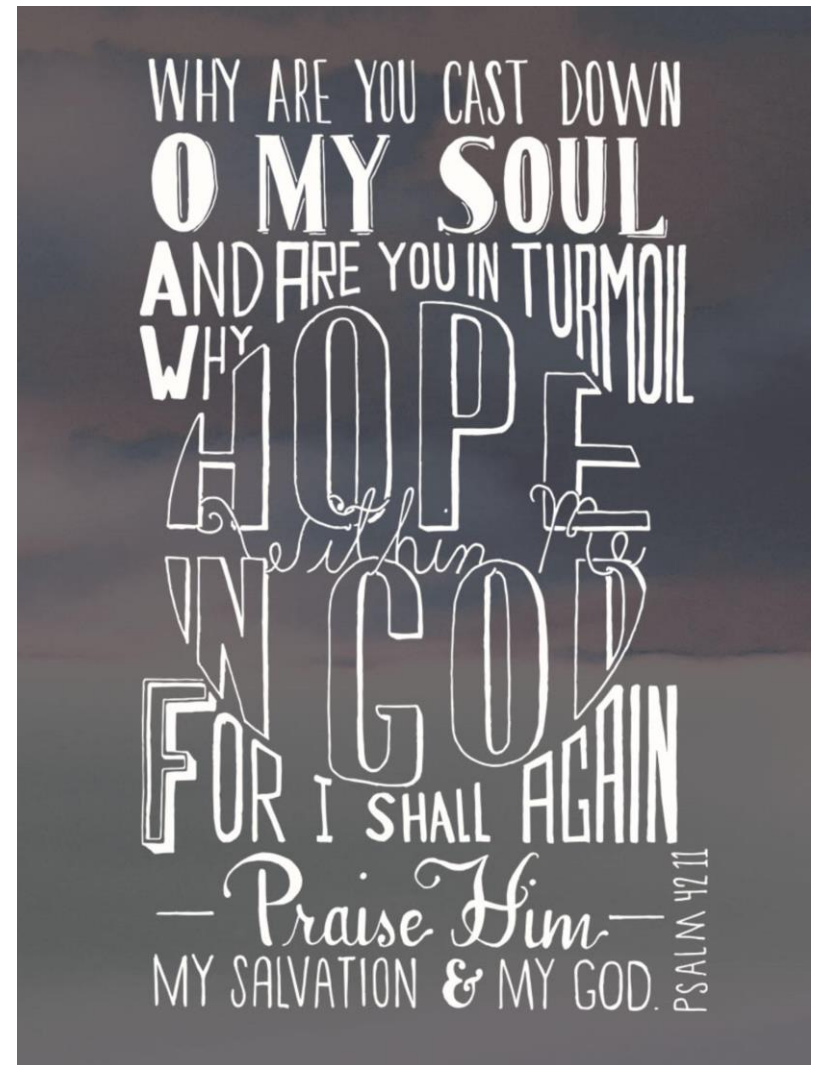
Central Plains: Pray for the camp staff and campers at Swan Lake Christian Camp near Viborg, South Dakota. This week is senior high camp, and next week is junior high camp.

Mennonite Mission Network: Tomorrow, Mennonite Mission Network's Youth Venture participants from Northern Ireland will arrive in Detroit to work with host congregation, Community Christian Fellowship. Pray for them as they do house repairs, prepare meals in a soup kitchen, work at a homeless shelter, and interact with neighborhood children.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 139

Offering: Home Missions: \$1,565.32; Missions: \$4,280.90; Iglesia Torre Fuerte (Iowa City): \$200



July 23, 2017

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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 Leader: Bob & Karen Meyer
Song Leader: Nathan Luitjens
Piano: Mattias, Keiran & Tristan Luitjens

Gathering

Here I am to worship
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

Praising

Gravity of Love
As the Deer

Hear the Word

Special Music by Roni Stowers
Scripture Reading: Psalm 42
Message: Rachelle

Response

STJ 54 Longing for Light
Offering: Home Missions & Loose Change (7/30 Home Missions)
Sharing and Prayers

We Are Sent

Benediction
The Seed

TODAY

6:00 pm, Conference & Convention sharing by delegates

NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 30

10:30 am, Message by Nathan, Scripture: Psalm 40

SUGAR CREEK NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

CONGRATUALIONS to Gerald & Mary Jo Freyenberger on their 50th wedding anniversary! We thank God for their example of love and service throughout the years. We also thank them for providing and serving the cinnamon rolls this morning during coffee time.

CONGRATULATIONS to Stephanie Graber & Brad Busch (Larry & Vi Graber, grandparents) welcomed their first child Calvin Conrad Busch. Calvin was born on July 5. Their address is: 610 Carnation Place, Oxnard, CA 93036.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!! Sugar Creek is in charge of the Summer Food Program August 7, 9, and 11th. A person is needed to purchase the food. Two to three people are needed to assemble (10:30-12:00) and deliver (12:00-1:00). Please contact Dana Oswald (641-660-1221 or oswaldd1973@gmail.com) to serve our neighbors.

MENNONITE WOMEN – Meeting on August 2. We will be making MCC School Kits. Bring a sack lunch and dessert will be provided.

MCC SCHOOL KITS – Mennonite Women will be making school kits at their August 2nd meeting. 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, 1 ruler (flat, very flexible plastic; 30 cm and 12 in. markings), 12 colored pencils, 1 large pink eraser.

Please Consider Helping.....The Worship Committee is looking for someone to fold bulletins each week. The bulletins are ready on Thursday afternoons. Let Jan Shelman, Maria Roth or Annette Boshart VonTersch know if this is something you could help with!

THANK YOU to Don and Arline Roth for folding the bulletins each week over the last two years!! It has been greatly appreciated. ☺

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 20 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.

SPEND THE NIGHT AT CCCC – The evening/night of August 19 you have the opportunity to spend the night at CCCC! Memories were made as we did this last year. Please SIGN UP on the North bulletin board or let Lisa Graber or Jen Slagel know if you are interested. We will have swimming & campfire dinner on August 19, and then a pancake breakfast the next morning before church!

AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Pleasantview Home will be hosting a monthly Family Support Group for persons whose family member is experiencing dementia. The next meeting will be held in the Chapel on Thursday, July 27 from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. This group is open to the community and the family member does not need to live at Pleasantview.

Thank you for serving our community by providing lunches for many children and youth during the past two weeks of the summer food program. Your time and energy was a huge outreach that definitely showed Christ's love to all of those families. We are so grateful for your church who is obviously dedicated to being the hands and feet of Jesus!

Tamara Gill and Kevan Zechin Jr. invite all people from our community to join us in celebrating God's blessings in our lives. Our wedding is September 9, 2017 at 4pm at Sugar Creek Mennonite Church with a dinner party at 7pm at Faith Christian Outreach Church. If you would like to come, please reserve your place by August 9 with a phone call or text to Tamara at 319-217-2456 or an email at tamaraj@gmail.com.

Also, all ladies and children are invited to Tamara's bridal shower on Saturday, August 5 at 2pm at the Wayland Community Center. Please reserve your place by July 22 with a phone call to Tamara's sister-in-law, Larisa, at 319-795-3961.

Excited to buy MCC school kit supplies when all the back-to-school supplies show up in stores? Consider helping refugee families in Jordan and Ukraine meet their basic hygiene needs with an MCC relief kit instead! Our partners in the Middle East and Ukraine are asking for more relief kits than MCC has on-hand so we need your help! Our goal is to ship 83,000 relief kits by March 2018. Visit mcc.org/mrc/kits for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Just bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS **67117**. Contact katemast@mcc.org, 316-283-2720 with questions or to schedule a kit packing event at your church!

CROOKED CREEK CHRISTIAN CAMP

SAVE THE DATE: August 29 camp will have an Open House of our new Welcome Center!

IMS JOB OPENING: Science Instructor IMS is searching for a candidate to join our Science Department to teach Physics & Chemistry for the 2017-2018 school year. More information is available at: <http://www.iowamennonite.org/jobs>.

SUMMER CAMPS: We still have openings in all our upcoming camps which include: *Boys Basketball Camp, Drama Camp with Camp Creamery, Volleyball Camp*. Please see full descriptions and sign up online for these camps at www.iowamennonite.org/camps.