



This week please remember the following people in prayer:

Bob & Phyllis Hartzler
Ron & Martha Marsh

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

Pray for those dealing with medical issues: Christopher Liechty, 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).

Central Plains: Pray for conference ministers Dave and Shana Boshart, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this Friday, August 11.

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the 30 Mennonite Voluntary Service participants who are beginning assignments in nine locations – Alamosa, Colorado; Chicago; Elkhart, Indiana; Manhattan, New York; San Antonio; San Francisco; Seattle; Tucson, Arizona; and Washington, D.C.

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>.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 135

Offering: Home Missions: \$4626; Hispanic Churches: \$1,000; Missions: \$160; Parkview Home Assoc: \$50;



August 6, 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 Leaders: Bob & Karen Meyer
Song Leader: Kathy Roth
Piano: Deb Roth

Gathering

STJ 19 I will call upon the Lord
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship ~ Video
Opening Prayer

Praising

WB 76 Praise, I will praise you, Lord
We Will Dance

Hear the Word

Scripture Reading: Psalm 145

~Sharing of ways God is at work in and through us~

Randy & Shirlyn Graber, Anita Swartzendruber & Sheldon Miller

Response

WB 416 For Christ and the church
Offering: Home Missions (8/13 Home Missions)
Sharing and Prayers

We Are Sent

Benediction
As you go out from here

NEXT SUNDAY – August 13

• 10:30 am, Grant Nebel will be sharing a message with us during the morning service.

SUGAR CREEK NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

The Luitjens family is on vacation through August 16th. Pray for safe travels and rest as they are in Vancouver spending time with family. If you have any pastoral needs during this time, please contact an Elder.

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION – We are updating the Contact Information Book! Please fill out the pink sheet in your mailboxes and return to the church office by August 30 or email your information to sugarcreekmc@gmail.com.

CHURCH OFFICE – We will only be in the office on Wednesday and Thursday this week. If you need anything outside of those days, please email the church at sugarcreekmc@gmail.com or call us and we will be able to help you.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – Please let the church office know who your teachers will be for the next year. We are currently working on the SS lists and need those updates. Thanks!

MCC SCHOOL KITS – Mennonite Women are assembling school kits. We encourage you to donate items. 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.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!! Sugar Creek is in charge of the Summer Food Program, **THIS WEEK, 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.

OLD THRESHERS and the Turkey Grill are right around the corner! Signup sheets are in the foyer. This is a great opportunity to work with folks in our congregation! Please sign up as soon as possible. Thank you!! Contact Tim Graber with questions or to sign up if you can't sign up today.

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 or 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.

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!

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.

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

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.

AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

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 tamarajq@gmail.com.

Tamara and Kevan would love if as many children as possible were in our wedding! Everybody is invited to our celebration on September 9 at Sugar Creek Mennonite. You can join in the wedding fun in two different ways. First, if you play an instrument or sing, you can do a song during our pre-service music. Just let Tamara know which hymn or Christian song you want to include and what instrument you will be playing. Second, if you want to carry an origami lantern with a battery-operated candle to light the path for Tamara's entry, please let her know so that Kevan can

make enough lanterns for everybody. All ages are welcome to participate in either of these ways. For planning purposes though, please respond to Tamara at 319-217-2456 or tamarajq@gmail.com by August 15. Thank you!

COMING UP! Sunday school teachers and small group leaders, would you like some practical tips on how to prepare for and facilitate Bible studies? Plan to join the free webinars that Central Plains conference is offering this fall. Please reserve these dates: September 26, October 24 and November 28. More information is coming soon.

J-POG (Just Peace Outreach Group) invites you to hear Jacob Yoder address the topic "Genocide, Food Security, and Hope: An MCC'ers reflections on service in Rwanda and Burundi." Jacob will describe his work in the African nations of Burundi and Rwanda developing food security projects with MCC. Join us at West Union Mennonite Church, 3253 305th Street, Parnell, IA on Sunday, August 6, 2017, at 6 pm for a finger food potluck (please bring your own table service) and conversation, or at 7 pm for Jacob's presentation. For more information, contact Roger Farmer at 319-653-2547 or Jane Yoder-Short at wilmajane17@gmail.com

URGENT NEED for MCC - Searching for an exciting way to serve? MCC is urgently searching for a Canner Operator, with CDL truck driving experience, to travel with the mobile cannery before the season begins in October. Canner Operators travel to 30 different locations in the United States and Canada, canning meat, which is then sent around the world to hungry people. Come serve in this exciting way! Meet new people, and take advantage of experiences you'll never forget. For more information please contact John Hillegass at johnhillegass@mcc.org or [\(717\) 859-1151](tel:7178591151).

CROOKED CREEK CHRISTIAN CAMP

•August 20 at 6:00pm: Lift your glad voices and sing! Join us for our annual hymn Sing and (deluxe) S'mores at Sunset Shelter by the pond.

•August 29 at 5:00-7:00pm: Celebrate with the Crooked Creek Christian Camp community at our new Welcome Center while a having supper of burgers and homemade ice cream at Sunset Shelter! Come and see the progress in the last year.