

BEARING FRUIT

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This Week at Washington Mennonite						
Sunday Apr 28 th	Monday Apr 29 th	Tuesday Apr 30 th	Wednesday May 1 st	Thursday May 2 nd	Friday May 3 rd	Saturday May 4 th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Worship Service (9:30am) ▪ Centro Cristiano (5pm) 						Birthdays - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Anna Freeman Beachy
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cindy Kling ▪ Dicky Miller
Upcoming Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ May 11 – Church Clean-Up Day (8am-12pm) 						

Washington Mennonite

- **April Second Hour: Serving & Learning** - An all-adult Sunday school will meet in the Sanctuary this month from 11:00-11:45 with opportunities to hear about the experiences of those who served or learned with one of our Mennonite service agencies this winter! On 4/28 there will be a learning & serving opportunity on "the church & immigration."

- **Holy Humor Sunday, May 5** - To celebrate the joy of Easter Resurrection (God's big practical joke played on death), the Church has an ancient tradition of a humorous Sunday during the Eastertide season. Begin thinking of what *you'd* like to contribute to this worship service of lighthearted skits, jokes, stories and music. In place of regular Sunday school we will continue the playful joy with refreshments and table games in the fellowship hall during second hour. Bring a favorite table or group game, if you'd like!

- **Visitation & Funeral for Roger Roth** - Sunday afternoon, May 5 in Washington Mennonite Church's building. Visitation with family from 2:30 to 4pm and Memorial service to follow at 4pm.

- **Pastor-Congregation Review** - Every three years the Elders are encouraged to facilitate a ministry review of the pastor and congregation. If you didn't receive an email with the survey, please contact the church office or grab a paper copy from the foyer. We'd like all surveys to be returned by May 5th. Thank you! - the WMC Elders

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

- Join us May 4 for **CC Wild Mud Run and Walk**, our annual fundraiser to benefit our Summer Camp Fund. Don't want to run? New this year, we will be adding a walk for those who want to experience nature without the mud and obstacles. A free will donation lunch will take place at 11:30. For more information and to register visit our website: <https://www.crookedcreekcamp.org/ccw.html>

- **Join us for a weekend of intergenerational activities and fun at family camp, June 6-9!** For more information and to register visit our website <https://www.crookedcreekcamp.org/family-camp.html>

- **Crooked Creek Christian Camp is looking for volunteer kitchen help** for summer camp! Visit our website <https://www.crookedcreekcamp.org/> to sign up for your preferred date and time. Thanks for your support in this way!

Hillcrest Academy

- **Touring Choir** - The Hillcrest Academy Touring Choir will be performing several concerts on campus and in local churches. Their theme, 'Lead with Love' encompasses the call for connection in a world much in need of Jesus' love. Their performances touch on themes of rising to God's calling and carrying His light in all situations. You will hear varied selections of spirituals, contemporary Christian, jazz, and maybe even a song about coffee! Their next concert is on Sunday, April 28 at 7:00 PM at West Union Mennonite

Church. Check out the entire schedule at hillcrest Ravens.org/touringchoir2024. The public is welcome at all performances.

- **Kids Night at the Soccer Pitch** - On Monday, April 29 at 5:00 PM bring the whole family to watch the Hillcrest Ravens take on Highland. 5th-8th graders will get in free with their passes, along with one guest. There will be giveaways for kids of all ages. 5th-8th graders can sign up to play soccer during the halftime varsity game. Please sign up at hillcrest Ravens.org/5-8events.

- **Junior/Senior Banquet** - This year's Banquet is on Saturday, May 4. The Promenade will take place at Upper Deer Creek Church at 6:00 PM. The school and community are invited to see students drive up and take pictures. Please park on the west side of the church, leaving the southside in front of the entrance available for the juniors and seniors vehicles.

Central Plains Conference

- **Are you missing your brothers and sisters from Central Plains?** You'll get to see them soon! Come to Wayland, IA on **June 20-23 for Annual Meeting 2024**. Our theme is "How can we know the way?" Children, youth, and adults welcome! Register by May 31 to get early bird rates! www.centralplainsmc.org

- **The Sower Prayer Request:** Pray for the work of the Christian Formation Committee of Central Plains Mennonite Conference. We pray for wisdom and courage as they help us to be intentional and to think theologically about Christian formation for all ages.

Mennonite Organizations

- **All are invited to Crowded Closet's Spring Association meeting.** Please plan to attend & hear about Crowded Closet. **May 20th**; 6:15pm at Crowded Closet.

- **Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:** Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Jonah and Memee Yang, who minister in Thailand from a base in Minnesota. Pray for them as they travel to Thailand twice per year to teach Hmong and Thai students in Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Journey Program (Jonah) and through Mennonite Women's Sister Care seminars (Memee).

- **MC USA Announcement:** The Mennonite Church USA Executive Board, meeting via Zoom on March 15-16, 2024, affirmed a clean audit and a new strategic plan that seeks to reimagine church in new ways. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/executive-board-plan

Area Announcements

- The MCC sale on Memorial Day is no longer being held. **Sugar Creek Mennonite Church in Wayland, will be hosting a meal fundraiser to benefit MCC on May 22, 2024** from 5-7pm. A free will donation will be accepted.

- **Senior Dining is coming to Pleasantview in Kalona!** Noon meals on site in the brand new Friendship Center, as well as the delivery of Meals on Wheels to the Kalona community, will be available starting Wednesday, May 1; from that point forward, meals will be served and delivered every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, at 12:00 noon. Guests should call the front desk at 319-656-2421 to reserve a spot or receive a meal. Cost is \$10 for anyone living on the Pleasantview campus, and \$12 for community members. Cash only to begin with, until our point-of-sale system is available; menus will be available through emails or by checking in the Friendship Center. Please call with questions or to receive more information!