

Family Fun Night TONIGHT! 5:15 Come for supper and fun.

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MIDWEEK CONNECTION AT MCN

April 13, 2016

Worship with us this Sunday, April 17

The sermon title is *Into My Heart, Lord* and the scripture is John 20:10-20. Pastor Tim Schrag comments, "I intend to share in the sermon several Biblical metaphors that mean a lot to me: when I 'survey the wondrous cross' and the empty tomb. These will not be 'theories of atonement' but rather images that have touched my heart."

True Story of the Whole World Jesus is Lord (Lesson 14) is this week's Adult and Teen Christian Education lesson. The link to Jesus is Lord (Lesson 14) is available on the Mennonite Church of Normal website at <http://www.normalmennonite.org/true-story-of-the-whole-world/>. Also available there (under the Education and Nurture tab) are links to all the lessons, lectures and sermons that have been given so far.

Scripture Focus We begin our worship service with a Scripture Focus each week that comes from the congregational study of the Bible in which we are currently engaged. Each worship service is based on the lesson from the previous week's Sunday School study.

A Word about our Worship Visuals Quilters have named blocks after Bible stories for generations. The Bible was the primary literary resource in many early American homes, providing inspiration for nineteenth century quilters, who mostly used scraps and outgrown clothing beyond repair to sew covers to keep their loved ones warm. Throughout our True Story study series, a variety of quilt blocks representing Bible stories or themes will be presented. Here is a description of April 17's Sunday's visual display:

Crown of Thorns - Matthew 27:29

This block pattern is very simple, and very effective. Traditionally it is done in just two contrasting colors, although some versions use a medium print for the triangles which represent the thorns. If you've a chance, do take a closer look at the brown fabric on our block!

This Week At 805 S Cottage



- Wed Apr 13 Family Fun Night 5:15 pm
 True Story Leaders 7:00 pm
- Thur Apr 14 Next Man Bible Study 6:15 am
 Youth Ministry Committee 6:00 pm
- Sun Apr 17 Pre-Service Prayer 9:00 am
 Worship 9:30 am
 Children's CE 10:45 am
 Adult CE 10:55 am
 Relief Sale Board 2:30 pm
 Junior High Youth Group 5:00 pm
 Senior High Youth Group 5:00 pm
 Junior Choir 6:00 pm
 Youth Choir 6:45 pm
- Tue Apr 19 Staff Meeting 9:30 am
 Worship Committee 5:00 pm
 Undoing Racism 7:00 pm
- Wed Apr 20 Peace & Justice Committee 5:15 pm
 True Story Leaders 7:00 pm
- Thur Apr 21 Next Man Bible Study 6:15 am
 Church Board 7:00 pm
- Sat Apr 23 Lora Oyer Memorial Service



Serving This Sunday

Greeters	South- Abby and David Warfel West- Ryan Miller
Welcome Table	Wilma Dyck
Ushers	Darvis and Shelly King Jonah, Emma, Evan King
Worship Leader	Mike Company
Song Leader	Glenn Wilson

Accompanist
Scripture
Children's Time
Sermon
Technology
Toddler Nursery
Preschool Nursery

Dorothy Loepp
Emmanuel Kasongo
Alena Culbertson
Pastor Tim Schrag
Adam Augspurger
Chellie Miller
Beth Reeser



Today's Chuckle

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

I am the ghost of Christmas Future
Perfect Subjunctive: I will show you
what would have happened were you
not to have changed your ways!

A waist is a terrible thing to mind.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Caroline Roeschley April 15
Noah Company April 16
Blair Hall April 16
Wayne Hochstetler April 18
Roelie Homan April 19
Phil Hoffmann April 20
Gaby Hubbs April 20
Deacon Kauffman April 22
Mary Dyck April 23

Prayer Requests

Prayer is requested for Hannah Brown, as she recovers from knee surgery.

Undoing Racism

The final two Undoing Racism Conversations will be April 19 and May 17, 7 pm. On April 19, we will discuss the Speak Up: Responding to Everyday Bigotry booklet from the Southern Poverty Law Center. (If you received it last month, please bring your copy along.) This link is a modified version. We have hardcopies available. <https://www.splcenter.org/20150126/speak-responding-everyday-bigotry> There will be a break from the Third Tuesday Conversations over the summer. We are planning on offering a book study of Michelle Alexander's The New Jim

Voice of the Day

Once I gave up the hunt for villains, I had little recourse but to take responsibility for my choices. ...Needless to say, this is far less satisfying

Crow, using study materials provided by Mennonite Central Committee. Let me know if you have questions! *Jane Thorley Roeschley*

that nailing villains. It also turned out to be more healing in the end. *Barbara Brown Taylor*

Mennonite Disaster Service

Mennonite Disaster Service has urgent needs for short-term volunteers in the coming weeks. Ronn Frantz, from Living Water Community Church, is organizing two trips. The first is April 24- 30th in Detroit, Michigan. Flood clean up continues from August 2014. The second is May 9 - 13th in Lusk, Wyoming. Five homes are being built after floods destroyed fourteen and damaged 145 more homes. Please contact Ronn at ilmdsunit@gmail.com or 773/401-4165 if available to respond, rebuild, and restore one of those two weeks.

Bible Trivia Night Come celebrate the Story! Join the church for an evening of Bible fun on Sunday, May 1st from 5:30 - 7:00. Activities and games hosted by the junior high youth group, with a meal provided by the high school youth group. In keeping with Bible Trivia theme, there will be small trivial prizes as well!

This event is for everyone - child care provided for our youngest children, and special activities for preK-5th graders. Questions? Contact the church office or talk with Cory or Chris Culbertson.



Lora Oyer Memorial

A Memorial Service will be held for Lora Oyer on Saturday, April 23 at 11:00 am. All are welcome. A meal will follow the Memorial Service. Please consider assisting by providing salads, side dishes, or desserts. Let Diana Wiman, who is coordinating the meal, know what you will bring by calling 309-

Camperships Parents as you fill out your child's registration form for attendance at summer camp at Friedenswald or Menno Haven remember to subtract \$65 from your payment to camp; this amount is covered by camperships provided by

452-6495. Please leave a message if she is not available to answer the phone.

Mennonite Central Committee Hygiene Kits

Multiple situations around the world such as Syria, Iraq and Ukraine have depleted MCC's warehouse inventory. Please help; MCC replenish its supply to continue responding to needs around the world. There are bags in the back of the sanctuary for you to take home and fill with supplies for the hygiene kits. Please leave items in their original packaging. MCC no longer requests toothpaste.

Supplies to include:

- 1 adult tooth brush
- 1 large bar bath soap
- 1 fingernail clipper (good quality)
- 1 hand towel (dark color)

our church to every child of the congregation. Include a note to the camp in this regard with your payment.

A Note from Cindy Ropp My divorce was finalized today, Wednesday, and my life has changed. I want to thank my blessed church family for many hugs, words of support and numerous other gestures of care. You have walked with me, cried with me, and sometimes carried me. The last nine months have been challenging and you have always cared. I am deeply, deeply grateful. *Cindy Ropp*

Building Use

Wednesday, April 20, 4:30 pm, Heartland Head Start Parent Meeting will take place outside and in the Fellowship Area.

Thursday, April 21, HAAQuilt Guild will have a mentoring class beginning at 6:00 pm.
