



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | MARTINS CREEK MENNONITE | APRIL 05, 2026

Collection in April

CAMO

During the month of April we will be collecting the following items for CAMO:

- Twin size bedding
- Bath & Kitchen Towels
- Tote Bags
- Sewing Supplies
- Plastic Plates & Cups (reusable – no paper or styrofoam)

You may bring these items to the church any time during the month of April and place them on the shelves by the Welcome Center.

Thank you!



Church Events

APRIL 06

- 5:30-8pm-Faith & Finance
- 6-8pm-Reboot Recovery
- 7-8pm-Fresh Start Classes

APRIL 07

- 10am-Elders Meeting

APRIL 08

- 8:30am-Sunshine Breakfast at Der Dutchman
- 7pm-SPARK
- 7pm-IGNITE

APRIL 09

- 7pm-Men's Purity Group

APRIL 11

- 7:30am-Men's Fellowship Breakfast in the FC

The Fellowship Committee invites you to the Ohio Star Theater for the musical production of, "Elijah, Prophet of Fire" on Friday, May 15th, 7:00pm showing. Please sign up at the Welcome Center as soon as possible – a limited number of tickets are available. Cost per ticket is \$47. Deadline to sign up is April 26.

ELIJAH
— PROPHET OF FIRE —





VBS 2026 June 14-18

Registration is open!

Scan the QR code to the right ▶▶▶▶▶▶

or

go to the link below ↴↴↴↴↴



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Men's Purity Group

Men, you're invited to join a focused and encouraging time of growth, accountability, and biblical truth.



Thursdays, April 9 – May 7



7:00pm



Martins Creek Mennonite

This group is designed to help men pursue purity, strengthen their faith, and support one another in a real and meaningful way. If you would like to sign up, please talk to Randall.

Sunshine Breakfast

Wednesday, April 8

8:30 a.m.

at the

Der Dutchman
Restaurant in
Walnut Creek



If you are 55+
we welcome
you to join us!



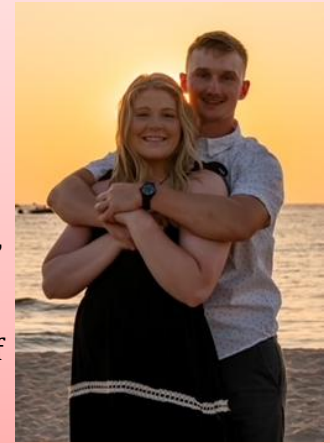
Our 5th Sunday offering in May (May 31) will be designated for the Parsonage/ Cemetery Expansion Fund.



There is a group who meets every Sunday morning at 9:00am in the Muggers S.S. Classroom for prayer. You are more than welcome to join them or if you would like to pray over the church individually you may pick up a *Sunday Morning Prayer Walk* guide at the Welcome Center.

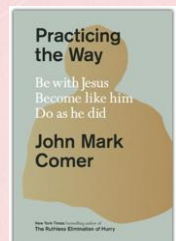
WEDDING SHOWER BLESSING

Let's celebrate Mya Blochlinger and Kory Stress before their May 23rd wedding! To help them start their new home, we're collecting cleaning supplies and "favorite recipes" (including a few of the non-perishable ingredients). Please drop your gifts at the table in the foyer any time during the month of April. Thank you for blessing them!



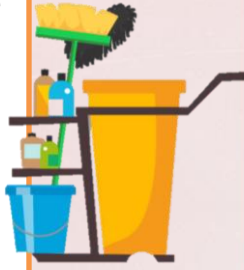
Randall Schlabach is leading a Sunday School class covering the 9 practices from the book *Practicing the Way*. One practice a month will be covered-- you can come for just one month or you can attend all nine months, Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Below is the list of practices and what month we will be covering them:

- April – Fasting
- May – Sabbath
- June – Service
- July – Community
- August – Generosity
- September - Witness



Cleaning Position Available

We are looking for someone to help keep our **Fellowship Center** clean and welcoming! This is a **part-time paid position**. If you enjoy cleaning and would like to help out, please see **Jay** for more information or to apply.



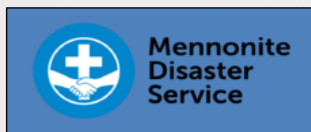
Help Us at the Holmes County Fair! August 10-15

Join us for a unique outreach opportunity! We are looking for volunteers to help staff the Mennonite Disaster Service **"The Storm Encounter"** trailer during fair week. It's a great way to serve our community and share a friendly face with fairgoers. **Volunteers will be admitted to the fair free of charge!** We need **hosts, traffic directors, and table attendants**. Whether you can spare a few hours or want to join a team for a full-day takeover, we'd love to have you.



Shift Details:

- **When:** August 10-15 (times TBD)
- **Roles:** Greeting guests, handing out brochures, and directing traffic.
- **Sign Up at the Welcome Center**
Contact Kim Kellogg or Tess for more information.



The Storm Encounter is a mobile theatre providing a multi-sensory disaster experience.

The animated video shows a storm barreling across the prairie. Viewers will see and hear the thunder and lightning, feel the rush of the wind, mist from the rain, and the seats will tremble and shake as the animated storm approaches and destroys a house. As the video continues, viewers see examples of the work of Mennonite Disaster Service following recent storms.

This virtual experience is designed to give people a small sampling of what it's like to experience a destructive storm first-hand and the important work of MDS volunteers. Admission is free.



Schedule for Resurrection Sunday

- 8:00-9:00am-Carry-In Breakfast
A carry-in breakfast is being planned. We are asking that you provide food according to your last name as follows:
 - A-J – Breakfast Casserole
 - K-R – Fruit Plate/Dish
 - S-Z – Rolls/Donuts
- 8:45am-Resurrection Egg Hunt for Children
- 9:00am – Children's Message: *Life from the Cross* – We will meet briefly in the sanctuary to sing, place flowers on the cross and have a children's message
- 9:30am-Sunday School
- 10:30am-Worship Service – Jay Conn preaching



Please note that there is no Sunrise Service. Instead we encourage everyone to come to the breakfast and *Life from the Cross* service.



A lot can happen in seven days

All men are invited to the...



Saturday, April 11 • 7:30 a.m.
in the Fellowship Center



Wheels of Love Gathering:

There are families in our community who face transportation obstacles, and the Wheels of Love Ministry exists to fill in these gaps. Beautiful conversations and connections take place as volunteer drivers interact with our friends and neighbors, providing hope along the path. Join us for a WOL Volunteer Gathering on April 8, 2026 at 1:00 PM at the Love INC Office. Light snacks will be served. Call Love INC at 330.473.6017 to let us know you're coming!

Gap Ministry Donations:

Our Furniture and Basket of Blessing Gap Ministries is currently in need of gently used or new furniture and household items, including couches, beds, tables, chairs, dressers, appliances, sandwich, quart, gallon size bags and more. These donations help families move from crisis to stability with dignity and care. If you're able to donate, please label item sizes clearly and contact **Love INC at 330-473-6017** to make arrangements.



CHANGE FOR A DOLLAR

WE ARE BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS.

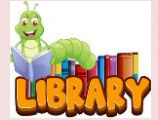


Do you know of someone who is struggling financially and could use some help? Our "Change for a Dollar" fund does exactly that! Please pick up a form at the Welcome Center, fill it out and return the completed form to the Welcome Center. I'm sure the recipient will be blessed!

LIBRARY CORNER

To access the library website: www.librarything.com.

- Username –MCMClibrary
 - Password – church
- then Search Your Library or download the "LibraryThing" app on your phone or tablet



Friendly Reminder: Please use the check-out cards when taking books from the Library.

Central Christian School is Hiring!

Due to increasing enrollment, we are expanding our team and looking for great educators to join us! CCS is currently seeking qualified candidates for the following positions:

- Second Grade Teacher
- Third Grade Teacher
- Fifth and Sixth Grade Math Teacher
- Fifth and Sixth Grade Science Teacher
- Fifth and Sixth Grade Social Studies Teacher
- High School Social Studies Teacher



More information is available at ccscomets.org.

PRAYER CORNER

- Ron Gerber, Hannah Miller, Vanessa Hershberger, Roger & Bonnie Crilow, Cynthia Denlinger, Russ Weaver, Ben Raber, Martha Stutzman, Ed Schrock, Sally Wilson, Jacquelyn Oswald, Hal Stutzman
- The people of South Sudan.
- Flower of Hope School and the people of Haiti.
- Pray for the influence of the Christian Church in Mongolia and the people of Mongolia.
- Laura Schlabach as she ends 32 years of ministry in Mongolia and awaits God's direction for her future.
- The many people around the world who are suffering due to war, their faith, famine, natural disasters, etc.

STATISTICS

March 29, 2026

Offering:

- General Fund: \$1,500
- Mission Fund: \$0
- Capital Improvement: \$400
- Parsonage: \$0
- Designated: \$2,304.31
- Horkovchuk Family: \$9,781
- Tkachuck Family: \$7,120

Attendance:

- Worship – 230
- Sunday Schol – 122

OFFERING SCHEDULE

1st Sunday

- Mission Fund

2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays

- General Fund

5th Sunday (5/31)

- Parsonage/Cem. Exp.