

The Messenger

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Carlock Mennonite Church
Worship 10:15 am
Sunday School 9:00

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Doane Brubaker - Pastor

Bob Waller -Board Chair

Suzi Waller -Treasurer

Sharon Brubaker - Musician

Emma Brandt - Musician

Rene' Atkinson - Musician

Annie Schwoerer - Sunday School Supt

Kathy Schwoerer - Bulletin /Messenger co-editor

For April 2022

Hospitality Committee

Lori Amberg

Barb Karr

Abby Pyne

Deanelle Schieber

Sunday School Teachers

Kindergarten – Rene' Atkinson

Elementary – Julie Greenburg

Jr. High – Annie Schwoerer

Food Pantry Item

Fruit

Sunday School Nursery

April 3 – Carol Hoffman

April 10 – Emma Brandt

April 17 – Barb Karr

April 24 – Sophie Schwoerer

APRIL CALENDAR

Sunday, April 3

Tuesday, April 5

Wednesday, April 6

Sunday, April 10

Tuesday, April 12

Thursday, April 14

Sunday, April 17

Thursday, April 21

Sunday, April 24

Morning Worship, Hospitality Sunday

Chime Practice at 6:30 pm, Choir Practice at 7 pm

Church Board, 7 pm

Morning Worship on Palm Sunday

Choir Practice at 7 pm (if needed)

Maundy Thursday Service at 7 pm

Morning Worship on Easter Sunday!!! Easter Breakfast at 9 am

MW, 6:30 pm

Morning Worship

APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Maggie (Schwoerer) Thorp
- 3 Bob Copeland
- 7 Bob & Suzi Waller (A)
- 9 Joseph Brandt
- 10 Lincoln Mohr
- 13 Jacob & Carrie Schwoerer (A)
- 18 Scott Harter
- 19 Doug & Susan Sifford (A)
- 21 Andrew Mohr
- 21 Emmerson Otto
- 22 Jim Bortell
- 24 Joe Mohr
- 26 Roberta Bortell
- 27 Bill & Vicki West (A)

SUMMER FUN

MENNO HAVEN CAMPS/ACTIVITIES

Spring Work Day – April 23 A family opportunity!!

Go to www.mennohaven.com/work-day for more details and register.

Women's Retreat – May 13-14

See mennohaven.com/womensretreat for more information.

Family Camp – May 27-30 An ALREADY PLANNED family vacation!

Details at mennohaven.com/family-camp.

Rally Day & 5K Run/2K Walk – May 30 Open House, raising money for Camper Scholarships, supporting this years' staff and enjoying the camp grounds.

Find out more at mennohaven.com/rallyday.

Youth Summer Camps - June & July Register and pay fee by May 4th and receive a 2022 summer camp t-shirt!

Go to mennohaven.com/summer-camps.

GrandCamp - July 31 - August 4 Campers and grandparents enjoy time together.

Go to mennohaven.com/grandcamp.

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STEWARDSHIP SNAPSHOT

Local and World Mission
Budgeted for 2022 \$145,780
Anticipated giving through February \$24,296
Actual giving through February \$14,939

FROM PASTOR DOANE

Congratulations to **Emmerson Otto** and her Eureka 7th grade volleyball teammates. On Tuesday night a week ago, they finished the season as **State Champions** with a record of 25-1! It must have felt like March Madness that night in the Riverton High School gym.

Except, you know that March Madness refers to another sport, specifically the college post-season basketball tournament. During the second half of March, millions who haven't paid much attention suddenly become fans – short for “fanatics”.

Where I came from, we have a similar term for high school basketball. It's “Hoosier Hysteria”. That comes from the extreme enthusiasm during the era of a one-class system. In 1998 the Indiana High School Athletic Association began a four-class tournament. In the 87 years before that the small school Davids had a chance to knock out the large school Goliaths.

Perhaps the most dramatic example is the one portrayed in the movie “Hoosiers”. In the 1954 state championship, Milan High School (enrollment 161) beat Muncie Central (enrollment 1662).

I love it; we serve the God who specializes in unexpected victories. And since that's true, our victories should come as no surprise. I'm not talking about sports now.

You probably don't use words like “madness”, “hysteria” or “fanatic” if trying to express your devotion to the Lord. But “enthusiasm” is a good one. When Paul wrote to employers and workers about labor relations, he said; “Work with enthusiasm, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people. Remember that the Lord will reward each one of us for the good we do, whether we are slaves or free.” (Eph. 6:7-8, NLT)

To churches in northern Greece, he also boasted about Christians in southern Greece because of their eagerness to be helpful. In fact, he said it was their enthusiasm that stirred northern believers to ratchet-up their own devotion. (2 Cor. 9:2)

There are plenty of contagious conditions we try hard to avoid. But enthusiasm for our Lord is a contagion I hope you've caught and you're spreading.

Pastor Doane