

December 16, 2018



*There will be
Singing!*

Third Sunday of Advent
“When the Messiah Comes...”
The Prophecies of Isaiah

AMC
arthur mennonite church

710 East Park Street // Arthur, Illinois 61911 // 217-543-2781

Welcome!

First-time Guests

- We are glad you are here!
- Need more info about AMC? Speak with a member of the ministry team or visit our website.
- Nursery is available for children 5 and under.
- Buddy bags for older children are in the foyer.
- Large print hymnals are available.

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Prelude singing begins at 10:20 a.m.

CHRISTIAN EDU 9:30 A.M.

ADULTS

<i>Our Love for God</i>	Fell. Hall
<i>Genesis 25-50</i>	Room 1
<i>Various Topics</i>	Room 5

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (GRADES 9-12)

Youth House

JR HIGH YOUTH (GRADES 6-8)

Youth House

PRIMARY KIDS (AGE 2—GRADE 5)

West Basement

2018 The Year of Your Bible



This week's readings:

Dec 17	2 Timothy 2:1-13
Dec 18	2 Timothy 2:14-26
Dec 19	2 Timothy 2:14-26
Dec 20	Titus 2:11-15
Dec 21	Titus 3:1-11
Dec 22	Philemon 1-25
Dec 23	Hebrews 4:14-5:10



Christmas Program

The annual AMC Christmas Program is tonight at 6:00 pm.

The title of this years program is "Not Sold In Stores" and will include people of all ages. Come celebrate the season and the greatest story ever with us.

Invite your family and friends and bring some finger foods to share during the fellowship time following.

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MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes (Team Leader)
Administration & Community Life

Ashley Litwiller
Worship & Youth

Lamar Miller
Outreach

Jeff Marner
Discipling

Snapshot of the Week



AMCYouth Meredith, Taylor, & Erin had their Christmas Concert at ALAH High School this past Tues. Shelby Frederick (who also attends Youth Group) received the Best Colorguard Performance award from this past Marching Band Season! Congrats AMCYouth!

COMMUNITY LIFE

Community Blood Drive

A community blood drive is planned for Thursday, January 10 from 1-6 pm at the Methodist Church, sponsored by the Ministerial Association and the Lion's Club. You can sign up online at redcrossblood.org or just show up.

Birthdays

Linda Schrock	<i>Mon, Dec 17</i>
Myra Beachy	<i>Tues, Dec 18</i>
Edna Gingerich	<i>Wed, Dec 19</i>
Les Helmuth	<i>Wed, Dec 19</i>
Vera Yoder	<i>Wed, Dec 19</i>
Jackie Carter	<i>Wed, Dec 19</i>
Mel Yoder	<i>Sat, Dec 22</i>

Anniversaries

Henry & Mary Herschberger	<i>Fri, Dec 21</i>
Larry & Pat Yoder	<i>Fri, Dec 21</i>

DISCIPLING

Everence Job Opening

Everence Financial has a job opening at their office in Fisher, Illinois.

See the bulletin board in the foyer for the job description and contact info.

Final Christmas Program Practice

Youth & JrYouth at 4 pm this afternoon will practice for the Christmas program. Pizza will be provided. Young children are practicing during C.E. this morning so they can arrive at 5:45.

OUTREACH

MDS/Taylorville Tornadoes

The Illinois Mennonite Disaster Service is assessing the damage and the needs in Taylorville, Illinois following the recent tornadoes there. Be watching for future opportunities to help with cleanup and reconstruction.

Pray for Hunter David Kauffman

Todd & Angie Kauffman (Gary and Dorothy's son in PA) welcomed their third child into the world this past week. Born at 27 weeks & 2 lbs, they have a long NICU stay ahead of them; please keep this family in your prayers!

YOUTH

Junior High

Today White Elephant Gift Ex. 3 pm

High School

Dec 19 Ice Skating Trip 6 pm

Coffee Orders are due by Dec. 22!

WORSHIP

Christmas Poinsettias

Thank you to all those who purchased a poinsettia to decorate the church this season. You can take yours home after worship next Sunday. The list of In Memories are posted on the bulletin Board in the foyer. Please place your check in the secretary mailbox.

ADMINISTRATION

Bulletin Change

In 2019 we are going back to a longer bulletin while still using some of the graphics and concepts of this shorter bulletin. This will allow for more information to be shared in larger print.

LAST SUNDAY

Worship Attendance	144
Christian Edu. Attendance	51
Total Offering: \$4,060	Budget: -13%

EVENTS

TODAY

JrYouth	3 pm
Christmas Program Practice	4 pm
Christmas Program	6 pm

TUESDAY

Ministry Team Meeting	11 am
Arthur Home Service	6 pm

WEDNESDAY

HSYouth	6 pm
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THURSDAY

Coffee & Conversations	3-5 pm
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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Advent Theme: "When The Messiah Comes..."

Today's Message: "...There Will Be Singing!"

Isaiah 35 ~ Glen Rhodes

Scripture Readings: Psalm 57:7-11 (David's Song); Luke 1:46-55 (Mary's Song)

Worship Leader: Kat Burdick Intercessory Prayer: Lamar Miller

Order of Service

Gathering Song
Congregational Information
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Children's Time
Primary Dept. Singing
Tithes & Offerings
Worship Songs
Intercessory Prayer

Scripture Readings
Message

Prayer of Response & Sending
Sending Song

Pastor Lamar will be at the front of the church for prayer after the service.

Sermon Questions

For Thought & Discussions

- ◆ How has music and singing played a part in your life and faith?
- ◆ Do you participate in music and singing even if you aren't a great singer?
- ◆ Find ways to allow music and the words of songs to paint a picture of God's blessing and the good news of Jesus for you.
- ◆ **Going Deeper:** Pay closer attention to the words we sing in prelude and during worship. Allow them to remind you of God's love for you.

AMC Prayer List

Nolan Schrock *healing, ER last week*
Hunter Kauffman family *NICU stay*
Bailey Mentzer *broken arm/healing*
Families who have lost loved ones
GDCC *commission callings for 2019*
Kevin Litwiller *shoulder surgery*
Homebuilders Parents *health/healing*
AMC affiliation discernment

Visitor of the Week: Sandy Snyder

Families during the Christmas Season
AMC supported MMN missionaries
Taylorville Tornadoes *those affected*
Immigration challenges in the world
School Bus Wreck on I -74 *families*
California Wildfires *families affected*
Yemen *ongoing war and famine*
Peace in the Middle East