

December 9, 2018

PEACE SHALOM

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

AMC
arthur mennonite church

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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

Our Love for God
Genesis 25-50
Various Topics

Fell. Hall
Room 1
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

Ordination Sunday Today

Illinois Mennonite Conference
Interim Conference Minister Steve
Slagel is with us this morning for
the ordination of Ashley Litwiller.

Steve will lead the ordination
service and will also be bringing
the message on this second
Sunday of Advent.

The December fellowship meal is
also this morning after worship.
Stay for great food and fellowship
as we celebrate Ashley's ordination
and the Borntrreger's marriage.

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MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes (Team Leader)
Administration & Community Life

Ashley Litwiller
Worship & Youth

Lamar Miller
Outreach

Jeff Marner
Discipling

2018 The Year of Your Bible



This week's readings:

Dec 10 Philippians 3:12-21
Dec 11 Philippians 4:4-9
Dec 12 Colossians 1:9-23
Dec 13 1 Thess. 4:13-5:11
Dec 14 1 Timothy 2:1-8
Dec 15 1 Timothy 6:3-10
Dec 16 1 Timothy 6:11-19

Snapshot of the Week



Last year's Christmas Carolers
singing for the residents at the
Arthur Home. Come join us this
Thursday at 6:00 pm as we set out
to carol once again.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Grocery Shower

During our fellowship meal today we are having a grocery shower for newlyweds Jory & Natalie Borntreger. We bring bags of groceries to bless this couple. Pray for them as well!

Birthdays

Janet Gingerich *Wed, Dec 12*
Trinity Schrock *Wed, Dec 12*

Anniversaries

Michael & Brittnay Yoder *Th, Dec 13*

Homebuilders Christmas Party

Homebuilders Fellowship group will meet Sat. Dec 15th at the Beach House restaurant at 5pm. Dessert will be served at Larry & Dory's afterwards.

DISCIPLING

Children Program Practice

If your children would like to be in the Christmas Program, they should be in C.E. through Dec 16th, 9:30-10:15 am.

AMC Christmas Program

This years program, titled "Not Sold In Stores", will be held next Sunday, Dec. 16 at 6:00 pm. It will include all ages. A finger food fellowship will follow the program. Invite your family!

YOUTH

Junior High

Dec 16 White Elephant 3 pm

High School

Dec 12 Study: Money Managed 7 pm
Coffee Orders are due by Dec. 22!

OUTREACH

Mission Prayers

Pray for MMN's Service Adventure unit in Jackson, MS, as they worship with the Open Door Mennonite congregation, and as they volunteer with a community soup kitchen and a transition home.

WORSHIP

Christmas Poinsettias

Today is the last day to sign up on the bulletin board to purchase a poinsettia to honor a loved one this Christmas, After worship on Dec 23rd, they can be taken home by those who purchased.

Night of Caroling

In lieu of a choir this year, Worship Commission is inviting everyone out for a night of caroling around town this Thursday, Dec 13 at 6 pm. We'll meet here at the church to start.

ADMINISTRATION

2018 Final Congregational Meeting

Thank you to those who came to the meeting this past Sunday night and were a part of approving the Commission callings and budget for 2019. Your thoughts and opinions on all matters are valued at all times. Please share those with any of the Ministry Team members.

LAST SUNDAY

Worship Attendance 126
Christian Edu. Attendance 52
Total Offering: \$7,196 Budget: -13.1%

EVENTS

TODAY

Fellowship Meal 12 pm

TUESDAY

Ministry Team Meeting 11 am

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast Club 8:15 am
HSYouth 7 pm

THURSDAY

Coffee & Conversations 3-5 pm
Night of Caroling 6 pm

NEXT SUNDAY

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

TODAY IN WORSHIP

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

Today's Message: "...There Will Be Peace"

Isaiah 11:1-10 ~ Steve Slagel

Scripture Readings: Psalm 72:1-7; Matthew 3:1-10

Worship Leader: Glen Rhodes

Intercessory Prayer: Jeff Marnier

Order of Service

Gathering Song
Congregational Information
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer
Children's Time
Tithes & Offerings
Worship Songs
Intercessory Prayer
Ordination
Scripture Readings
Message
Prayer of Response & Sending
Sending Song

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

Sermon Questions

For Thought & Discussions

- ◆ The word "peace" is well-used during the Christmas Season. When you hear it, what do you think?
- ◆ Do Christians have a unique hope for peace that others do not?
- ◆ How can we be witnesses to Christ's peace coming into our world?
- ◆ **Going Deeper:** Our hope as believers is based on God's promised reality which is breaking into our world. Perform a reality check by asking, "Am I staking my life on the dominant perception, or God's reign?"

AMC Prayer List

Chris Mast *Wisdom teeth removed*
Bailey Mentzer *Broken arm/healing*
Families who have lost loved ones
GDCC *commission callings for 2019*
Ashley Litwiller *ordination today*
Homebuilders Parents *Health/Healing*
AMC affiliation discernment
Families during the Christmas Season

Visitor of the Week: Carol Yoder

AMC supported MMN missionaries
Immigration challenges in the world
Hurricane Florence & Michael *relief*
School Bus Wreck on I -74 *families*
Ongoing violence in our country
California Wildfires *Families affected*
Yemen *Ongoing war and famine*
Peace in Israel/Palestine