

February 3, 2019

James

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**WORDS  
MATTER**

THINKING BEFORE YOU SPEAK

**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

## AMC'S VISION

Arthur Mennonite Church will be a courageous people guided by God to rely on Christian practices and to deepen our intergenerational relationships.

We will use a spectrum of spiritual gifts and embrace our welcoming atmosphere to show God's love through our actions and fearlessly share his gospel with words.

**Grow Like Mary,  
Serve Like Martha**

## CONNECT



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## MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes (Team Leader)  
*Administration & Community Life*

Ashley Litwiller  
*Worship & Youth*

Lamar Miller  
*Outreach*

Jeff Marnar  
*Discipling*

Welcome Visitors! Are you interested in learning more about AMC? We would like to get to know you as well. Please fill this out, tear it off, and put in the offering plate this morning as it is passed. This can also be used for weekly prayer requests and answered prayer.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ I would like more info. about:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Adult/Child ministries \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Small Groups \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Bible Studies \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Service Opportunities \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Request/Answered Prayer \_\_\_\_\_

# DISCIPLING

## Life Groups Beginning this month

The value of small groups in the life of a congregation is very important. The Discipling Commission and Ministry Team are excited about the wonderful response to these new groups. In the next couple of weeks the new groups will be forming and planning their first meetings. If you have not signed up and are interested in being in one of them please see Jeff Marner soon.



## Local Men's Retreat at Penn Station

A Men's Retreat is planned for Friday evening, February 15 and Saturday, February 16 at Penn Station here in Arthur. The retreat is titled "It's About The Cross: *Breaking Free and Running in Victory.*" The featured speaker will be Jason Reed. If you would like to see the schedule or have more information about registration you can find it on the bulletin board in the foyer.

## Message Series: Where's The Proof?

Our message series on the book of James titled "Where's The Proof?" continues this morning. Each week we will look at one chapter of James and consider what the younger brother of Jesus has to say about being doers of the Word. Today is chapter 3.

# CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday	9:30 am	Christian Education (classes for all ages)
	10:30 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Fellowship Meal & Sub Pick-Up
	5:00 pm	Legacy Fellowship Group
Tuesday	8:00 am	WMSC Quilting
	11:00 am	Ministry Team meeting
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Worship Commission meeting
	7:00 pm	HSYouth
Thursday	3-5 pm	Coffee and Conversations at RoseLen's
Next Sunday	9:30 am	Christian Education (classes for all ages)
	10:30 am	Worship

# COMMUNITY LIFE

## Time To Bless Our College Students

It's that time of year when we reach out to our college students to bless them and let them know that we still think about them and pray for them. We only have one box to pack this year. The other students who go to school locally will receive gas cards and a gift card to a restaurant. Community Life needs to raise \$250 this year to bless these students. If you can help with this please place your money or check donations in Glen Rhodes or Sandy Snyder's mailbox. Checks should be made out to AMC. These are due today.

## Legacy Fellowship Group Tonight

Bring your Sub sandwiches to the Rhodes' home tonight at 5:00 pm to watch the Super Bowl together. Along with your Subs bring your favorite snack item that you would like to share with the group. Condiments and drinks will be provided.

## Birthdays This Week

Emily Kauffman

Tuesday, Feb. 5

Bill Moreland

Saturday, Feb. 9



## No Anniversaries This Week

# PRAYER LIST

## Praying for our Church and Community

- Lane Family- Matt's father Brad passed recently.
- John Yoder - Was in hospital in Sarasota last week. Doing better.
- Larry Beachy - Eye healing from minor stroke recently.
- Mervin Gingerich - Virgil's brother is healing from recent surgery.
- Hunter Kauffman Family - Gary & Dorothy's new grandson in NICU.
- Sherrill Shunk - Health.
- AMC affiliation discernment. Vote is planned for May 19.

## Praying for our Nation and World

- Brazil. Dam broke. Hundreds of people killed and missing.
- AMC Supported Missionaries around the world.
- Conflict in the country of Venezuela. Pray for the people there too.
- Those families still recovering from fires and floods this past year.
- Ongoing Immigration challenges/opportunities around the world.

# ADMINISTRATION

## Fellowship Meal Today

Plan to join us after worship this morning! Stay for some great food and fellowship even if you forgot to bring something. There is always plenty of food. This is always a wonderful opportunity to connect with others and build community in our church family.

## Learning Tour to Ecuador

Peter Wigginton and Delicia Bravo (our Mennonite Mission Network supported missionaries) are planning a learning and fellowship tour from March 28 to April 10 (14 days). If you are interested in joining others from the U. S. on this trip contact the church office and we can give you more information.



## Chix in Training Thank You and Donation

Most of us never know they are here but a group of women meet in the church fellowship hall three days a week at 5:00 am for exercise and spiritual encouragement. They recently sent us a thank you note for allowing them to meet here along with a \$100 donation.

### LAST SUNDAY

#### Attendance

Worship Celebration	100
Christian Education	46

#### Offering

Sunday, Jan 13th	\$2,756
Designations: None	

2019 Weekly Goal	\$4,529
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#### Primary D. Mission Offering

January	\$46
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#### Fellowship Meal - Feb. 3

Gary & Dorothy Kauffman  
Michael & Brittnay Yoder  
Kim Kauffman  
Mel Yoder

### REMINDERS

#### Nursery

**Today:** Steve & Meg Yoder  
**Feb. 10:** Lamar & Karen Miller

#### Visitor This Week:

Carol Yoder

#### Fellowship Group (organizers)

**Pathfinders:** Kenny & Melissa S.  
**Legacy:** Bob Plank.

**Homebuilders:** Sandy S, Karen L.

**Care N' Share:** Willis & Dee K.,  
Carol Y., Bertha Y., Phyllis K.

#### Sunday Arthur Home Service

February 24: CE Fellowship Hall

#### Next Tues. Arthur Home Service

March 26 - Jeff M. (Legacy)

# OUTREACH

## Budget Goal From 2018 To Bless Two Ministries

In 2018 we met our AMC budget goal which means that \$5,000 will be given to bless two ministries chosen by the Outreach Commission and the Ministry Team. This years two are listed below....



### **Mennonite Disaster Service**

\$2,500 will be sent to MDS to help people who have been affected by the hurricanes and wildfires around the U.S. this past year. MDS is active in South Carolina, Florida, and California, helping with the cleanup and rebuilding in those areas.

### **Mennonite Central Committee (Relief Kits & Hygiene Kits)**

\$2,500 is going to be used to purchase the various products that are needed for MCC relief kits (for families disrupted by war or disaster) and hygiene kits (for schools, orphanages, and families). The Outreach Commission is going to plan an evening in the future for AMC to come together to pack these various kits to be sent around the world. Be watching for that opportunity!

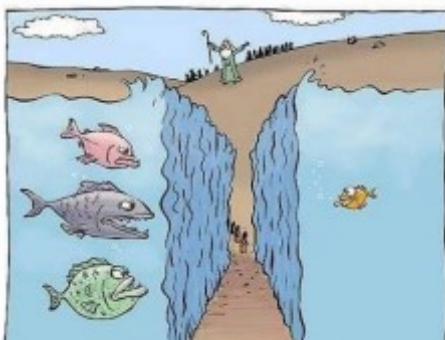
**Mission Prayer Request:** Mary Raber requests prayer for pastors living in Ukraine's militarized zone. Mennonite Mission Network is helping sponsor a retreat for them this month. Pray for safety in travel & that church leaders would be physically & spiritually renewed.

## Keeping Up & Thank You!

- Bill Moreland recently made a church directory listing all the local Mennonite churches and pastors in the area.
- Cory Kauffman is now on the Arthur MCC Thrift Shop board.

*We would like to thank everyone for all of the generous gifts and diapers for Emma. We are so grateful for all of the love and support we have gotten since her birth and are so thankful to be a part of this church family.*  
- Zeb, Kendra & Emma Hughes

## Just For Fun



Herman catches a lucky break!

*“Minor surgery is when they do the operation on someone else, not you.”*



# YOUTH GROUP

## **JUNIOR HIGH**

**Feb 17**

Fellowship:  
Hungry Hippos  
YH @ 3pm



## **HIGH SCHOOL**

**Feb 6**

Bible Study:  
Mending  
Relationships  
YH @ 7pm

## **Super Bowl Subs Pick Up**

Today after morning worship, anyone who ordered subs will be able to pick up their order until about 1pm. Checks can be made out to AMC Youth Group. Thank you to all who ordered to support our Youth Programs!

## **New Vacuum**

Now that the Youth House is being used more often, a new cordless vacuum was ordered and arrived just in time for today's sub clean up time! Us at the Youth House are very thankful for this!

# WORSHIP

## **Work As Worship Retreat**

Have you ever wondered how you can relate your day to day work to worshipping God? Do you ever feel like you desire something deeper in your professional life whether you work in non-profit, for-profit, or otherwise? Menno Haven is hosting a livestream event on Feb. 22 where you'll learn more about this! See the flyer on the foyer bulletin board.

## **Night of Worship**

Save the Date for March 24th at 5pm for a night of worship together. If you have a form of worship you'd like to share, please let a member of Worship Commission know. If you are wanting accompaniment, have music to musicians no later than Feb 28th.

## **Involved in Worship**

If you would like to get more involved with our morning worship services, please talk to Nadine Miller, Gloria Yoder, Andy Marnier, or Ashley Litwiller and they can help make that happen!

# TODAY IN WORSHIP

Sermon Series: James - Where's The Proof?

**Today's Message: "Out of the Same Mouth" James 3**

Scripture: Proverbs 12:15-19; Colossians 4:2-6

Worship Leader: Larry Kauffman

Intercessory Prayer: Glen Rhodes

## Order of Service

- Gathering Song
- Congregational Information
- Call to Worship and Prayer
- Children's Time
- Tithes & Offerings
- Worship Songs
- Intercessory Prayer
- Scripture Reading
- Video
- Message
- Prayer of Response & Sending
- Sending Song

*A pastor will be at the front of the church for prayer after the service.*

## Sermon Questions

*For Thought & Discussions*

- ◆ How tame is your mouth/tongue/ words?
- ◆ Do you promote more praise (positive) or cursing (negative) with your words? In person and online.
- ◆ Do people view you as an encourager or discourager?

**Going Deeper:** Make it a daily desire to promote peace and the wisdom of God with your words. Ask Jesus to help!

## Worship Notes

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## Snapshot of the Week



Austin Kauffman recently attended his first Illini basketball game with his father Cory. Go Illini!