

February 28, 2016

I Live

By faith in the
Son of God, who
loved me and gave
himself for me!

Faith and Freedom... In Jesus

Galatians 2

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Transforming Lives → Embracing Opportunities Through Christ

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TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION
10:30 am Sunday, February 28, 2016

Worship Leader: Andy Marner
Song Leader: Lynn Marner Message: Glen Rhodes
Prelude Singing begins at 10:20
*indicates those who are able may stand

GATHERING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

***Gathering Song: "We Bring a Sacrifice of Praise"**

Welcome & Congregational Information

Call To Worship: Based on Psalm 63

Opening Prayer

PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD

Children's Time

We Worship God by Presenting our Tithes & Offerings

*With Voices He Has Given Us:

Brown #198 "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

Brown #354 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Brown #527 "Glory to His Name"

Intercessory Prayer - Lamar Miller

Winter Retreat Experiences - Youth & Jr High Sharing

"If We're Honest" Ashley Litwiller

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 55:1-2; Psalm 63:1-4

Lent Series: Faith and Freedom...In Jesus

Message: "This is How I Live" Galatians 2

SENDING FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Prayer of Response & Sending

*Sending Song: "Shine Jesus Shine"

Come forward for prayer following the service
for anything in your life that you would like prayer for.
A minister will be at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you.

Have a blessed week!

Read Through the Bible in One Year

Feb. 29 - No Reading

Mar. 1 - Num. 20-22, Mark 7:1-13

Mar. 2 - Num. 23-25, Mark 7:14-37

Mar. 3 - Num. 26-28, Mark 8

Mar. 4 - Num. 29-31, Mark 9:1-29

Mar. 5 - Num. 32-34, Mark 9:30-50

Mar. 6 - Num. 35-36, Mark 10:1-31

Memory Passage of the Week

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

Galatians 2:20

WELCOME TO AMC!

If you are a guest we look forward to meeting you and invite you back next Sunday.

- Information about AMC is available in the literature rack near the north doors.
- For more information check out our website at arthurmennonite.org.
- Children are welcome in the service and buddy bags are in the foyer for their use. We also have a nursery for children 5 and under in the east basement.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

BEGINS AT 9:30 AM

Children: Ages 2-5 and Grades 1-5
West Basement

Jr High: Grades 6-8 - Youth House

Youth: Grades 9-12 - Youth House

Adults:

Fellowship Hall: Sacred Gifts

Room 1: Matthew

Room 5: Variety of Lessons

Feel free to grab a cup of coffee before you head to class!

PERSONAL WORSHIP NOTES

Use this space to write down things that encourage you, inspire you, or speak to you during the Worship Celebration.



MEALS ON WHEELS

In March

March is AMC's turn to help with the Meals on Wheels program. Please take a moment today to sign up as we pass the sheet around. Meals on Wheels delivers lunch Monday through Friday to senior members of our community that have a need. Helpers meet the driver at a local restaurant at 10:45 and delivery time takes less than an hour. If you can help, just put your name and number on the calendar.



Volunteers this week:

Tues. Judy Beachey Thurs. Need a volunteer
Wed. Sarah Storm Fri. Need a volunteer

RELIEF SALE KICK-OFF

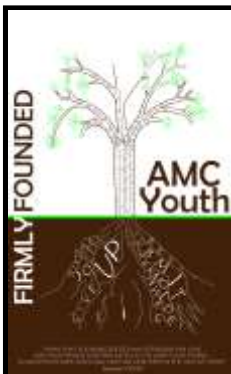
Next Saturday at Yoder's

The Mennonite Relief Sale Kick-Off Banquet will be next Saturday, Mar. 5th at 6 p.m. at Yoder's. The King Family from Monticello will be the entertainment. Please sign up today! You are also invited to sponsor a table for the Banquet. Suggested sponsorship pricing is \$100 for a full table and \$50 for a half. If you have questions, please talk to Larry & Dory Kauffman or DuWayne & Karen Miller.

PRAYER REQUEST

From MMN

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for SOOP volunteers to work alongside staff doing office, **maintenance and construction work, acting as teachers'** aides, and assisting in the kitchen at Academia Menonita Betania, a bilingual Christian school located near the city of Aibonito, Puerto Rico.



TONIGHT

Branch:
"Don't Get Sucked In!"
With Crossroads

6 pm in the
Fellowship Hall

Snack: Crossroads

March 6th

Tending:
Recap & Refocus

6 pm @ YH

Snacks: Alicia

KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Bill Kauffman was a patient at Memorial Hospital in Springfield this past week with various health issues.
- Easter is March 27th this year. A listing of Holy Week services is in the latest edition of Greater Things which is in mailboxes today.
- The dates for Vacation Bible School have been set for June 6th-10th

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- Tues. Marlene Helmuth
- Thurs. Conner Crabtree
- Fri. Ashley Litwiller

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Friday - Ed & Joanna Yoder



Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

Fellowship Meal Next Sunday

Bring a dish to share and join us after worship!

MENNO HAVEN

Summer
Camps

It's only February but it is time to think about summer church camp. If your child or youth would like to go to camp at Menno Haven this summer the money saving, early registration deadline is March 7th. A brochure with the camp dates is posted on the C.L. board. Please talk to Lyndora Miller or Melissa Schrock soon if your child is interested.

PATHFINDERS

With Youth
March 13th

Pathfinders will be joining the AMC Youth on Sunday, March 13th in the fellowship hall at 6 p.m. Please bring a snack to share. Speak with Melissa Schrock if you have any questions.

DIAPER SHOWER

Next Sunday

We will be having a diaper shower for Ryker Yoder next Sunday, March 6th. Huggies and Pampers brand diapers size 3 and up would be **greatly appreciated.** Help us as we bless Ryker's parents and welcome him into our church family.



EASTER CHOIR

Practices
Set

Easter Choir practices will be March 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary. The choir will sing at the Community Easter Sunrise Service and at the AMC Easter service. Even if you have never been in a choir before you are invited to participate in this one!



Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

THANK YOU!

From MCC

We at Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), along with our partners around the world, are blessed by your continuing support. Thanks to you, our friends and supporters at Arthur Mennonite, for the many ways (relief sales, thrift shops, meat canning and material resources) you contribute to the work of MCC. We are especially grateful for your prayer support for MCC's work of relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. Whether in Syria, Nepal, Nigeria, Colombia or Appalachia, your support is sharing God's love and compassion. Thank you!
~ Krista Dutt, MCC Great Lakes



Administration

Developing & Coordinating our Relationships

CONG. MEETING

Next Sunday

Our first Congregational Meeting of 2016 will be held next Sunday, March 6th during the CE time at 9:30 a.m. Come and hear about all of the latest activity in the AMC Commissions and other things from around our church, the conference, and the denomination.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance	
Worship Celebration	130
Christian Education	57
Offering	
General Offering:	\$4,068
Budget Goal	\$4,370
Designations:	
Building Fund	\$50
January Primary Dept.	
Mission Offering	\$8.05
Elevator Fund Total	\$19,392

REMINDERS

Nursery Today: Sondra & Ashley G.
 March 6: Joanna & Alicia Y.
 Fellowship Meal - March 6th
 Lamar & Karen Miller
 Taya Foushi / Josephine Marner
 Willis & Dee Kuhns
 Ryan & Kat Burdick
 Arthur Home Service. - Today
 Led by Youth
 Visitor of the Week: Josephine M.
 Homebuilders - March
 Ervin & Nancy Kuhns
 Community Meal Helpers - Mar. 9
 2-4:30 p.m. Glen R. & Lela R.
 4:30-7 p.m. Roy W. & Dee K.

OUR VISION AT ARTHUR MENNONITE

By 2017, Arthur Mennonite Church will be actively transforming believers into more spiritually empowered disciples of Christ. Through a maturing faith well grounded in God's word and spiritual practices, we will prepare ourselves for all opportunities and leave nothing to chance as we grow in our relationship with our Creator and the church body, and toward the expansion of Christ's kingdom into the world.



Worship Our Relationship with Jesus

EASTER FLOWERS

Signup on
C.L. Board

This year we will be ordering tulips and hyacinths to adorn the sanctuary for Easter. You can sign up on the Community Life board and you are welcome to dedicate your flowers in memory of a loved one. You can select a flower to take home after the worship celebration on Easter morning. Flowers are \$12 each. **Please put your payment in the Secretary's mailbox when you sign up.**



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Bill Kauffman, Scott Litteral, Joe Diener - Health
- Marie Schrock - Healing from surgery on tumor
- Edna Gingerich - Healing from shoulder surgery in Florida
- Ervin Yoder - Healing from carotid artery procedure
- Harold & Esther Helmuth family - Sister-in-law Priscilla passed away recently in Elkhart, Indiana

PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD

- Hesston, Kansas - Workplace shooting
- Those affected by storms, snow, and flooding
- U.S. Presidential election
- Those who need to know Jesus as their Savior
- Refugee crisis in Middle East and Europe
- Illinois State budget impasse. Those affected by it.
- All Missionaries in this country and around the world



CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 a.m.	Arthur Home Service led by Youth
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration
	6:00 p.m.	Crossroads and Youth
Wed., Mar. 2	6:00 p.m.	Easter Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study: Luke
Thurs., Mar. 3	All Day	WMSC Quilting
	7:00 p.m.	Life Group: Explore the Bible
Sat., Mar. 5	6:00 p.m.	Relief Sale Kick Off Banquet at Yoder's
Sun., Mar. 6	9:30 a.m.	Congregational Meeting
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration
	Noon	Fellowship Meal & Diaper Shower
	6:00 p.m.	Youth

FUTURE EVENTS

Palm Sunday ~ March 20

Easter ~ March 27th

SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEK



Missionary Wes Bergen added some color to children's time last Sunday. In Ghana, Africa where Wes and his wife Deb had worked as missionaries, colorful clothes and dancing are common at church services.

JUST FOR FUN

The government says **I can't get** my pension yet, as I am only 22. I hate being born on a leap year. All my friends are 88.



What kind of music do you listen to on Leap Day? *Hip Hop!*

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