

April 17, 2016

SAVED THROUGH
FAITH
THE GIFT OF GRACE

“For the lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Revelation 7:17

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mennonite
church**
Transforming Lives → Embracing Opportunities Through Christ

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TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION
10:30 am Sunday, April 17, 2016

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

GATHERING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

*Gathering Song: "My Soul is Filled With Joy"
Welcome & Congregational Information
Call To Worship: Pursue
Opening Prayer

PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD

Children's Time
We Worship God by Presenting our Tithes & Offerings
*With Voices He Has Given Us:
 Blue #521 "Come, Thou Fount"
 Screen "Mighty To Save"
 Screen "Wonder, Merciful, Savior"
Intercessory Prayer - Lamar Miller
Celebration of Baptism and Church Membership
 Ryan Burdick & Dawson Miller

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Readings: Psalm 23; John 10:27-30
Video: "I am a Christian"
Message: "I am Saved and I Belong" Revelation 7:9-17

SENDING FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Prayer of Response & Sending
*Sending Song: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

**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

April 18 - 2 Sam. 3-5, Luke 14:25-35

April 19 - 2 Sam. 6-8, Luke 15:1-10

April 20 - 2 Sam. 9-11, Luke 15:11-32

April 21 - 2 Sam. 12-13, Luke 16

April 22 - 2 Sam. 14-15, Luke 17:1-19

April 23 - 2 Sam. 16-18, Luke 17:20-37

April 24 - 2 Sam. 19-20, Luke 18:1-23

Memory Passage

“Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them, nor any scorching heat. For the lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd.”

Revelation 7:16-17

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

Adults & Youth:

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.



Outreach Our Relationships with the World

AMC SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

May 14th at Menno Haven Sign up today!

The AMC Youth & the Outreach Commission would like to invite all interested adults in helping with a service day at Menno Haven on May 14th! They have some projects they need help with that they don't think they'll get to during their big service day in April so we are going to help them out with that. Times to come later. Adults sign up to go on the CL board in foyer.

MCC SPEAKERS

At AMC this Tuesday

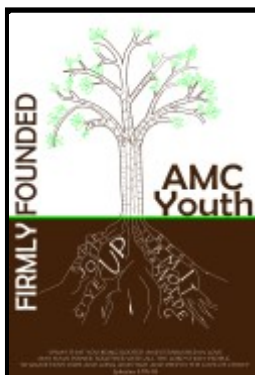


Join us this Tuesday, April 19th at 7 p.m. to hear MCC storytellers Ben and Beth Weisbrod. They are current Mennonite Central Committee directors for Central and West Africa. They are based in Kigali, Rwanda and are involved in strategic oversight of five MCC programs in Africa. Come and hear how our volunteer efforts at The Arthur MCC Thrift Shop and the Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale are making a difference around the world.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE

Urgent Needs

MDS has urgent needs for short-term volunteers! Ronn Frantz, from Living Water Community Church, is organizing two trips. The first is April 24- 30 in Detroit, Michigan. Flood clean up continues from August 2014. The second is May 9-13 in Lusk, Wyoming. Five homes are being built after floods destroyed fourteen and damaged 145 more homes. If you can serve contact Ronn at 773-401-4165.



TODAY

NO YOUTH

April 24th

Elevator Lift Fundraiser

KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Lamar and Nadine Miller were in Niagara Falls, Canada this past week to take in MCC Thrift Shop meetings. They did some sight seeing at Niagara Falls as well.
- Cliff & Kathy Yoder are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary today. Congrats!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today Elizabeth Miller
Tuesday Lynn Marner

THANK YOU!

For the love of my church family. I want to thank you for the prayers during my surgery, for the pretty flowers, visits, cards, phone calls, and delicious food. To Glen for being there before and during the surgery, that meant a lot to me.

God bless all of you.

~With love, Marie Schrock

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today Cliff & Kathy Yoder



Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

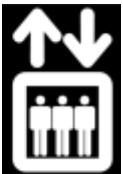
BABY SHOWER

May 1st

We will have a baby shower for Addison Yoder and her parents Michael and Brittney on Sunday, May 1st during the First Sunday Fellowship Meal. This is their first child so feel free to shower them with gifts of clothes, toys, diapers, or other items. Size 3-6 months in clothes and size 2 or 3 in Pampers Swaddlers or Huggies diapers. Help us welcome Addison to the AMC church family!

ELEVATOR FUNDRAISER

Next Sunday,
April 24th



A fun evening of fundraising is being planned for the new AMC elevator fund. We currently have \$20,803 in the fund and the completed job will take around \$42,000. Join us on Sunday evening, April 24th, at 5 p.m. for a casual dinner and auction. We would like to encourage everyone to think about what you might have to offer to the auction. We are looking for baked goods, family dinners, weekend getaways, and other interesting items that can be auctioned off for this much needed addition at AMC. Plan to join us on April 24th!

Donated items can be placed on the table in the foyer.



Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

AMC APP

Available for
Download

The AMC app is ready to go and available for download from iTunes and Google Play.

Bulletins, newsletters, midweek meditations, general event announcements and each Sunday's message are all accessible via the app.



"THE LAST PLAGUE"

Musical
Drama

The Apostolic Center in Mattoon is presenting the musical drama, "The Last Plague" May 13-15 at 7:30

p.m. each night. The drama is based on the story of the ten plagues during the time of Israel's captivity in the land of Egypt. The Apostolic Center is located at 205 Country Club Rd. in Mattoon. For more information call 234-6783 or visit apostoliccenter.org. Tickets are \$6.



Administration

Developing & Coordinating
our Relationships

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration	142
Christian Education	61

Offering

General Offering:	\$4,856
Budget Goal	\$4,370
Designations:	
Elevator Fund	\$500
March Primary Dept.	
Mission Offering	\$15.00
Elevator Fund Total	\$21,303

REMINDERS

Nursery

Today: Lonnie & Jenny Schrock
April 24: Colby & Jordon Herschberger

Fellowship Meal - May

Jake & Maranna Chupp
Kyle & Jackie Crabtree
Bertha Yoder
Larry & Pat Yoder

Arthur Home Service. - April 24

Led by Room 5 C.E. Class

Visitor of the Week: Carol Yoder

Homebuilders - April

Cliff & Deb Kauffman

Community Meal Helpers - May 11

2-4:30 p.m. Lela R. & Dory K.
4:30-7 p.m. Sandy S. & Glen R.

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

BAPTISM SUNDAY

Today!

Today we are celebrating the baptisms of Ryan Burdick and Dawson Miller. We are very excited to celebrate with them as brothers and sisters in Christ. They will also become members at AMC this morning. Take time to welcome them and let's encourage and support them as we worship, serve, and praise the Lord as one church. Next Sunday we will have more baptisms and new members during our worship celebration.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Lela Reynolds - healing from back surgery. At Mason Point again.
- Joe Diener, Jackie Crabtree - Health
- Scott Literral - Had heart procedure this past Thursday
- Edna Gingerich - Healing from shoulder surgery
- Kara Kuhns - Willis & Dee's daughter-in-law. Radiation treatments.

PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD

- Terrorist attacks in various countries in past weeks
- Ongoing war in Syria and Iraq
- 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.	Christian Education
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Baptisms & New Members
Tues., April 19	8:30 a.m.	Community Life Commission Mtg.
	7:00 p.m.	MCC Workers Ben & Beth Weisbrod speaking at AMC
Thurs., April 21	9:00 a.m.	MOPS
	11:00 a.m.	Ministry Team Meeting
Sun., April 24	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
	9:30 a.m.	Arthur Home Service led by Room 5 CE
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration Baptisms & New Members
	5:00 p.m.	AMC Elevator Fundraiser
	6:00 p.m.	Youth

FUTURE EVENTS

IMC Conference Minister Michael Danner at AMC ~ May 1st

SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEK



Dee Kuhns, Judy Beachey, Sarah Storm, and Bertha Yoder got together to play cards last week. Photo credit to Bertha Yoder!

JUST FOR FUN

Vacation: a period of travel and relaxation when you take twice the clothes and half the money you need.



Want to hear a word I just made up?
Plagiarism.

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