

July 31, 2016

HOPE

IS NOT A PHILOSOPHY, *IT'S A PERSON*

JESUS

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mennonite
church

Transforming Lives → Embracing Opportunities Through Christ

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TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION
10:30 am Sunday, July 31, 2016

Worship Leaders: Nancy Kuhns

Song Leaders: 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: "We Have Come Into His House"

Welcome & Congregational Information

Call To Worship: "Watch! Wait!"

Opening Prayer

PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD

Children's Time

Worship Reading for Reflection: "Hurting to Heal"

We Worship God by Presenting our Tithes & Offerings

*With Voices He Has Given Us:

Blue #487 "Teach me Lord"

Blue #100 "Praise him, praise him"

Blue #447 "O Jesus, I have promised"

Intercessory Prayer - Glen Rhodes

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Readings: Psalm 25:1-7; 1 Peter 1:3-9

Message: "A Deliberate Act of Hope" Jeremiah 32

*Song Of Response and Preparation:

Blue #343 "My hope is built on nothing less" v. 1,4,5

Communion: Sharing the Lord's Supper together

SENT FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Prayer of Response & Sending

**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

- Aug. 1 - Psalm 57-59, Romans 4
- Aug. 2 - Psalm 60-62, Romans 5
- Aug. 3 - Psalm 63-65, Romans 6
- Aug. 4 - Psalm 66-67, Romans 7
- Aug. 5 - Psalm 68-69, Romans 8:1-21
- Aug. 6 - Psalm 70-71, Romans 8:22-39
- Aug. 7 - Psalm 72-73, Romans 9:1-15

Memory Passage

*“Praise be to the God
and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ! In his
great mercy he has
given us new birth into
a living hope through
the resurrection of
Jesus Christ from the
dead...”*

1 Peter 1:3

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:

Fell. Hall: Toward a New Creation

Room 1: 1 Samuel Study

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 BOOK STUDY

Starts Soon

The Outreach Commission is planning a book study for those interested in leading people to faith.

The book, "Just Walk Across The Room" by Bill Hybels, helps us understand that we can do simple evangelism by being ourselves. Lamar Miller and Emily Kauffman plan to lead this four week study starting soon. Sign up today on the Outreach board.



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Aug. 8th

The Relief Sale Ice Cream Social is Monday, Aug. 8th at the Community Building. There will be pulled pork, chips, cake and ice cream served from 5-8 pm. Join us for great food as we raise money to offset sale expenses!

CAKES & HOG DONATIONS

For Social & Relief Sale

The Relief Sale needs cakes for the Ice Cream Social and hog donations for the relief sale. A sign up sheet for cakes is on the C.L. board. If you can donate a half hog for \$50 or a whole hog for \$100 please talk to Larry & Dory Kauffman or DuWayne & Karen Miller.



RELIEF SALE

Registration Desk

If you have some computer skills and would like to help at the Relief Sale registration desk please sign up on the C.L. board. Volunteers at the desk help register people wanting bidder numbers, provide basic sale information (directions, etc) and help people pay for their purchases. Please indicate ideal work times on the sheet as well.



**Wednesday,
August 3rd**

Meet in Church Lot
at 5:30pm.

Bring \$15

**Saturday,
August 6th**

Seniors Day
on Lake Shelbyville

9 a.m.

KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Congratulations to Ron Thomas and Janice Yoder who recently got engaged.
- Glen R. and family will be on vacation this week at Little Eden Mennonite camp in Michigan with Rhonda's family.
- 27 Hygiene kits and 24 Relief Kits were delivered to the MCC Warehouse this week. This will help the more than 65 million displaced people around the world. The most in history.

- Gary & Ashley Miller will celebrate their 10 yr. anniversary on Friday. Congratulations!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- Tues. Dee Kuhns
Wed. Janette Petersheim
Kendra Hughes
Kenny (Melissa) Schrock
Sat. Pat Yoder

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- Thurs. Tom & Linda Glenn
Fri. Gary & Ashley Miller



Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

Fellowship Meal Next Sunday

Bring a dish and join us after worship for great food and fun fellowship!

HOMEBUILDERS

Today

Homebuilders will meet at Larry and Pat's house this afternoon at 3 p.m. for a cookout, swimming and games. Meat and drink will be furnished. Please bring a side. RSVP or questions: call Pat at 254-0201.

PATHFINDERS

Today

The Pathfinders fellowship group will meet this evening at 5:30 p.m. at the west pavilion in Eberhardt Park. Meat and drink provided. Please bring a dish to share. Call Virgil or Sondra Gingerich with questions.

YOUNG ADULTS

Aug. 13th

The Young Adults fellowship group will be going to Turkey Run on Saturday, Aug. 13th. Plan to bring money for food. More details will be provided in next week's bulletin. If you have questions talk with Ashley Litwiller.



Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK

Prayer Request

Mennonite Mission Network's Journey International participants are processing the anti-racism component of their orientation, recently held at Community Mennonite Church in Markham, Illinois. Pray for them as they integrate this cross-cultural learning and as they prepare to travel to assignment locations in Ecuador and Indonesia.



Administration Developing & Coordinating our Relationships

FIFTH SUNDAY

Offering Today

The 5th Sunday offering this morning will be going towards our AMC camp fund which helps send kids to summer camps and winter retreats. Some of that offering may also be used for our church retreat at Menno Haven which is coming up in September.

FUND RAISER MEAL

Sept. 18th

Homebuilders fellowship group will have a fundraiser meal for the elevator/lift after church on Sunday, Sept. 18th. Food will be provided. About \$2,600 is still needed. Any overage will go to the building fund.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration	128
Christian Education	34

Offering

General Offering:	\$3,747
Budget Goal	\$4,370
Year-to-Date Progress	-6.8%
June Primary Dept. Mission Offering	\$7.75
Elevator Fund Total	\$39,317

REMINDERS

Nursery

Today: Sondra & Ashley G.

Aug 7: Lyndora & Regina Miller

Fellowship Meal - Aug. 7th

Ed & Joanna Yoder

Colby & Jordon Herschberger

Kenny & Melissa Schrock

Jake & Maranna Chupp

Arthur Home Service. - Aug. 28th

Led by Room 5 C.E. class

Visitor of the Week: Carol Yoder

Homebuilders - August

Sandy Snyder

Community Meal Helpers - Aug. 10

2-4:30 p.m. Lela R. & Glen 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

AMC RETREAT

At Menno
Haven



On the weekend of September 24-25 AMC is going to have another retreat weekend at Menno Haven Camp and Retreat center. There will be no church held here in Arthur that Sunday. Please sign up on the Community Life board so that we can get an idea of how many are planning to attend and which days. Options will include both Saturday and Sunday or just coming up on Sunday. Rates for meals and lodging are listed on the sign up sheet. If we can get enough funds we will provide a charter bus for those coming up on Sunday.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Carol Yoder - Healing from gallbladder surgery this past Thursday
- Joe Diener - Started dialysis recently
- Andy Plank's father Norman - Recurring cancer, health and healing
- Kara Kuhns - Health and Strength. Started new cancer treatments.
- Willard Kauffman (Albert & Ann's son, had stroke recently)

PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD



- Violence and unrest in our country.
- Those who need to know Jesus as their Savior
- Ongoing war in Syria and Iraq
- U.S. Presidential election
- 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
	3:00 p.m.	Homebuilders
	5:30 p.m.	Pathfinders
This Week	Lift/Elevator	Construction Continues
Mon., Aug. 1	7:00 p.m.	Discipling Commission Mtg.
Tues., Aug. 2	6:30 p.m.	Worship Commission Mtg.
	7:30 p.m.	Prelude Practice
Wed., Aug. 3	6:00 p.m.	Youth
Sat., Aug. 6	9:00 a.m.	Youth
Sunday, Aug. 7	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration
	Noon	Fellowship Meal
	2:30 p.m.	AMC Softball Doubleheader

FUTURE EVENTS

Relief Sale Ice Cream Social ~ August 8
Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale ~ August 26 & 27

SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEK



Lamar Miller nears one of the "bases" during kiddie pool kickball with the Youth last Sunday on the AMC lawn.

JUST FOR FUN

I started reading a book about anti-gravity and now I can't put it down.

People say I'm condescending. That means I talk down to people.



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