

August 14, 2016



Rejoice  
in the  
Lord  
always.

Philippians 4:4



**AMC**  arthur  
mennonite  
church  
Transforming Lives → Embracing Opportunities Through Christ

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**TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION**  
**10:30 am Sunday, August 14, 2016**

**Worship Leaders:** Jenni Marner  
**Song Leaders:** Pat Yoder **Message:** Glen Rhodes  
Prelude Singing begins at 10:20  
\*indicates those who are able may stand

**GATHERING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY**

\*Gathering Song: "Name of the Lord / Strong Tower"  
Welcome & Congregational Information  
Call To Worship: Drink What is Good  
Opening Prayer

**PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD**

Children's Time  
We Worship God by Presenting our Tithes & Offerings  
\*With Voices He Has Given Us:  
Blue #99 "We Praise thee O God"  
Blue #151 "Marvelous Grace of our Loving Lord"  
Screen "My Soul is Filled With Joy"  
Intercessory Prayer - Jeff Marner  
The Millers: "I Won't Have to Worry Anymore"  
"If God Came Tomorrow"

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 42:10-12; Philippians 4:4-7  
Message: "Let the People Rejoice" Psalm 126

**SENT FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

\*Prayer of Response & Sending  
\*Sending Song: "To God be the Glory" v. 1&3

**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. 15 - Psalm 91-93, Rom. 15:1-13  
Aug. 16 - Psalm 94-96, Rom. 15:14-33  
Aug. 17 - Psalm 97-99, Rom. 16  
Aug. 18 - Psalm 100-102, 1 Cor. 1  
Aug. 19 - Psalm 103-104, 1 Cor. 2  
Aug. 20 - Psalm 105-106, 1 Cor. 3  
Aug. 21 - Psalm 107-109, 1 Cor. 4

## Memory Passage

*“Rejoice in the Lord  
always, I will say it  
again: Rejoice!  
Let your gentleness  
be evident to all.  
The Lord is near.”*

**Philippians 4:4-5**

## 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](http://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.



## **RELIEF SALE SUNDAY**

MCC & MMN  
Will Both Be  
Represented

We are very excited to have Mennonite Mission Network Executive Director Stanley Green and a representative from Mennonite Central Committee joining us for worship on Aug. 28th. Both will be sharing about those respective ministries during a combined Christian Ed. time at 9:30 in the fellowship hall. Stanley Green will be bringing the message that day and MCC will be sharing the children's time.



Stanley Green

## **RELIEF SALE**

Volunteer  
Opportunities

There are several signup sheets on the C.L. Board with opportunities to help with the Relief Sale. There is a need for pies and for volunteers to work at the lunch stand and registration desk. This is your chance to get plugged in!



## **ANNUAL PLEDGE FUNDRAISER**

Starts Today

AMC Youth Group, along with the new AMC Jr. High Youth Group, is offering an alternative opportunity for AMC members to support them financially. This annual pledge of \$52 helps cut down on fundraisers throughout the year. There are pledge forms in your mailbox, as well on the youth bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary. If you have questions, talk to Ashley.

### **JR HIGH**

**Sunday, Sept. 4th**

No Meeting

**Sunday, Sept 18th**

Meet in Church  
Parking Lot at 3pm  
Details to come



### **HIGH SCHOOL**

**Wednesday, Aug. 17th**

NO YOUTH  
18th-1st Day of School!

**Wednesday, Aug. 24th**

Help Relief Sale Prep  
Stay Tuned

# KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Bertha Y. took the train to Montana yesterday where she is meeting cousins.
- Peter & Simon K. were in PA this past week visiting family.
- Duane & Faye Oye, Cliff & Kathy Yoder, Sandy Snyder, Deb Kauffman, Chad Yoder and Maria Cuartas were all in Kentucky last weekend for a family reunion.
- Lela Miller along with Lexi and Bella were in Arkansas last week visiting Lela's sister.

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mon. Alexis Everett  
Sat. Melissa Schrock

## ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today Larry & Dory Kauffman  
Fri. Willis & Dee Kuhns



## Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

### OUTDOOR WORK NIGHT

Tomorrow

We will have an outdoor work night tomorrow (Monday) night starting at 6 p.m. Bring rakes and trimmers if you have them and join us as we spruce up the AMC grounds! Contact Cliff Yoder with questions.



### JR HIGH GROUP

Starting in  
September

A Jr High Group will be forming at AMC in September. Youth in grades 6 through 8 are invited to attend the first and third Sunday of each month for bible studies and fun activities. Pastor Ashley will be leading along with sponsors Cory & Emily Kauffman and Michael & Brittney Yoder. Come join in the fun! The first meeting will be Sunday, Sept. 18th at 3 p.m.

### HOMEBUILDERS

Aug. 28th

The Homebuilders fellowship group will play miniature golf and have pizza on Sunday, Aug. 28th. Plan to leave from AMC at 4 p.m. RSVP to Sandy S. at 273-2810.

### CHAIR LIFT

To Be  
Removed

The chair lift on the small stairs to the fellowship hall will be removed once the elevator/lift is installed. If you or someone you know has a need for a chair lift, please speak to Joe Gingerich.



# Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

## **MOVING UP!**

Aug. 28th

On Sunday, Aug. 28th students in Christian Ed. will move up in classes based on their ages. If you're children have not been attending



Christian Education this will be a great Sunday to get them started! Children ages 2 years old through 5th grade meet in the primary department in the west basement. If you have a question about the Primary Dept. and getting your child started in C.E., please talk to Lyndora Miller. Jr high students (grades 6-8) meet in the east room at the Youth House and high school students (grades 9-12) meet in the main room at the Youth House.



# Administration Developing & Coordinating our Relationships

## **BUDGET**

YTD Progress

Administration has started listing the year-to-date giving progress in the box below. Please note we are running 7% behind this year. Thank you for your tithes and offerings that support the various AMC ministries!

### LAST SUNDAY

#### Attendance

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Worship Celebration | 116 |
| Christian Education | 48  |

#### Offering

|                       |          |
|-----------------------|----------|
| General Offering:     | \$2,903  |
| Designations:         |          |
| Elevator Fund         | \$560    |
| Church Retreat        | \$50     |
| Budget Goal           | \$4,370  |
| Year-to-Date Progress | -7.7%    |
| July Primary Dept.    |          |
| Mission Offering      | \$27.08  |
| Elevator Fund Total   | \$39,367 |

### REMINDERS

#### Nursery

**Today:** Joanna & Alicia Yoder

**Aug 21:** Kyle & Jackie Crabtree

#### Fellowship Meal - Sept. 4th

Jr. & Judy Beachey / Lonnie Plank  
Carol Yoder / Delilah England

#### Arthur Home Service. - Aug. 28th

Led by Room 5 C.E. class

#### Visitor of the Week: Glen Rhodes

#### Homebuilders Aug. - Sandy Snyder

#### Community Meal Helpers -Sept. 14

2-4:30 p.m. Phyllis K. & Dorothy K.

4:30-7 p.m. Sandy S. & Karen L.

## 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

### **BUS FOR RETREAT**

At Menno  
Haven

There will be a charter bus going to Menno Haven on Sunday, Sept. 25th for the AMC retreat. It will leave around 7 a.m. and return to Arthur around 7 p.m. that day. We hope that many of you will join us for both Saturday and Sunday that weekend but for those who can only make Sunday this bus will be a nice option. Please sign up on the Community Life board! Lodging and other details will be made soon.



## PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Nadine Miller's family - uncle in Indiana passed away last week
- Jake Chupp - healing from hand surgery he had this past Tuesday
- Lamar & Karen Miller family - various health concerns
- Carol Yoder - healing from successful gallbladder surgery
- Paul Mast's sister Edna - Out of intensive care and making progress.
- Dorothy Kauffman's parents - health concerns
- Paulette Byers - Phyllis Kauffman's sister, cancer
- Marge Albrecht - Bernadine Yoder's sister in Peoria with brain tumor.
- Kara Kuhns - Health and Strength. Started new cancer treatments.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD



- Rio Olympics 2016—Athletes, their country's health
- 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
- All Missionaries in this country and around the world

## CHURCH CALENDAR

|                 |               |                               |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Today           | 9:30 a.m.     | Christian Education           |
|                 | 10:30 a.m.    | Worship Celebration           |
|                 | 1:15 p.m.     | AMC Softball                  |
| This Week       | Lift/Elevator | Construction Continues        |
| Mon., Aug. 15   | 6:00 p.m.     | Outdoor Work Night at AMC     |
| Wed., Aug. 17   | 7:00 p.m.     | Bible Study: The Armor of God |
| Sunday, Aug. 21 | 9:30 a.m.     | Christian Education           |
|                 | 10:30 a.m.    | Worship Celebration           |
|                 |               | AMC Softball Tournament       |

## FUTURE EVENTS

Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale ~ August 26 & 27  
MMN's Stanley Green at AMC ~ August 28

### SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEK



*Kyle Crabtree caught this nice 21 pound fish near Peoria last week.*

### JUST FOR FUN

Q: How do you think the unthinkable?

A: With an itheberg.

*She claims we met at the vegetarian club, but I'd never seen herbivore.*

The pessimist may be right in the long run, but the optimist has a better time during the trip.



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**Ministers: All of Jesus' followers here at Arthur Mennonite**

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