

August 21, 2016



**LOVE
DOES**

WORK ON SUNDAY!

AMC  arthur
mennonite
church
Transforming Lives → Embracing Opportunities Through Christ

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TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION
10:30 am Sunday, August 21, 2016

Worship Leaders: Nancy Kuhns

Song Leaders: 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: "Open Up The Heavens"

Welcome & Congregational Information

Call To Worship: All Around

Opening Prayer

PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD

Children's Time

Prayer of Dedication for Students, Teachers & Administrators

We Worship God by Presenting our Tithes & Offerings

"Healing Begins" Tenth Avenue North

*With Voices He Has Given Us:

Blue #343 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

Blue #521 "Come Thou Fount"

Screen "You are my All in All"

Intercessory Prayer - Ashley Litwiller

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Readings: Exodus 20:8-11; James 2:14-17

Message: "Set Free on the Sabbath" Luke 13:10-17

SENT FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Prayer of Response & Sending

*Sending Song: "Doxology"

**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. 22 - Ps. 110-112, 1 Cor. 5
Aug. 23 - Ps. 113-115, 1 Cor. 6
Aug. 24 - Ps. 116-118, 1 Cor. 7:1-19
Aug. 25 - Ps. 119:1-88, 1 Cor. 7:20-40
Aug. 26 - Ps. 119:89-176, 1 Cor. 8
Aug. 27 - Ps. 120-122, 1 Cor. 9
Aug. 28 - Ps. 123-125, 1 Cor. 10:1-18

Memory Passage

“What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them?”

James 2:14

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 Our Relationships with the World

RELIEF SALE

Next Weekend

There are still 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. The sale is next weekend so sign up today!

MEALS ON WHEELS

Volunteer for September

September is AMC's turn to help with the Meals on Wheels program. Please sign up on the Outreach Board. 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 10:15 and delivery time takes less than an hour.



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. Pledge forms are in mailboxes and on the youth bulletin board. Talk to Ashley with questions.

BUS FOR RETREAT

At Menno Haven

A charter bus will be going to Menno Haven on Sunday, Sept. 25th for the AMC retreat. It will leave at 7 a.m. and return at approx. 7 p.m. We hope that you will join us for both days that weekend but for those who can't this bus will be a nice option for Sunday. Please sign up on the C.L. board! Lodging and other details will be made soon.



JR HIGH

Sunday, Sept. 4th

No Meeting

Sunday, Sept 18th

Meet at Youth House at 3pm
Bring Tennis Shoes



HIGH SCHOOL

THURSDAY, Aug. 24th

Help w/ Relief Sale Prep
Meet at Otto Center @ 4pm (Food included)

Wednesday, Aug. 31th

Meet in Church Parking Lot at 6pm
Trip to FM of C-U

KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Congratulations to Rob and Kim Weber. Their daughter was born last Sunday. Raegan Nicole was 7 lbs. 6 oz. and 20". Mother and baby are both doing well. The rose on the alter this morning is to celebrate her birth.

No ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- Willis and Dee K. are visiting the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter in Kentucky this weekend.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- Today Logan Schrock
Fri. Mike (CJ) Yoder
Sat. Sandy Miller



Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

AMC SOFTBALL

Tournament
Today

The AMC Softball team is seeded 3rd in the end of season tournament today. They play at 1:15 on the north diamond in Sullivan vs. First Christian who is the 6th seed. If they win, they will play Bethany at 2:30. The championship game is at 3:45 on the middle diamond and we are hoping they are in that as well. Today is a great day to go and cheer them on!



HOMEBUILDERS

Next Sunday

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.

JOHN SCHMID

Concert
in Arthur

John Schmid will be in concert on Sunday, Aug. 28th at 6 p.m. at Penn Station in Arthur. John has visited us at AMC and many know of his various ministries. For those who don't, John is the founder of Common Ground Ministries with a focus on prisons in Ohio. His music is a unique blend of country, folk, and gospel.

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. Ashley will be leading along with Cory & Emily Kauffman and Michael & Brittney Yoder as sponsors. The first meeting will be Sept. 18th.



Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

MOVING UP!

Next Sunday, Aug. 28th



Next Sunday students in Christian Ed. will move up in classes based on their ages. If your 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.



Administration Developing & Coordinating our Relationships

ELEVATOR & CHAIR LIFT

Update

Work on the elevator is nearing completion. There is still work to be done but the end of construction is near! Once it is finished, the chair lift on the small stairs to the fellowship hall will be removed. If you know of someone who has a need for a chair lift, speak to Joe G.

BUDGET

YTD Progress

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

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

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|---------------------|-----|
| Worship Celebration | 145 |
| Christian Education | 54 |

Offering

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| General Offering: | \$6,726 |
| Designations: | |
| Elevator Fund | \$110 |
| Youth Pledge | \$52 |
| Relief Sale Hog | \$100 |
| Building Fund | \$50 |
| Budget Goal | \$4,370 |
| Year-to-Date Progress | -5.6% |
| July Primary Dept. | |
| Mission Offering | \$27.08 |
| Elevator Fund Total | \$39,477 |

REMINDERS

Nursery

Today: Kyle & Jackie Crabtree
Aug 28: Elmer & Kim Miller

Fellowship Meal - Sept. 4th

Jr. & Judy Beachey
Lonnie Plank
Carol Yoder
Delilah England

Visitor of the Week: Glen Rhodes

Homebuilders - September

Darryl & Janet Gingerich

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

RELIEF SALE SUNDAY

MCC & MMN
Will Both Be
Represented
Next Sunday

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.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Jim Yoder - healing from gallbladder surgery this past Tuesday.
- Nadine Miller's family - uncle in Indiana passed away
- Jake Chupp - healing from hand surgery
- Lamar & Karen Miller family - various health concerns
- The Weber family - as they adjust to a newborn in the family.
- Dorothy Kauffman's parents - health concerns
- Lela Reynolds - ongoing back pain
- Paulette Byers - Phyllis Kauffman's sister, cancer
- Marge Albrecht - Bernadine Yoder's sister. Health.
- Kara Kuhns - Health and Strength. Started new cancer treatments.

PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD

- Flooding in Louisiana. Over 21,000 evacuated.
- 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

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|---------------------------|---------------|---|
| Today | 9:30 a.m. | Christian Education |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration |
| | 1:15 p.m. | AMC Softball Tournament |
| This Week | Lift/Elevator | Construction Continues |
| Wed., Aug. 24 | 8:15 a.m. | Breakfast Club @ Yoder's |
| Fri. & Sat., Aug. 26 & 27 | | Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale |
| Sunday, Aug. 28 | 9:30 a.m. | Combined Christian Education with MMN and MCC |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration |
| | 4:00 p.m. | Homebuilders |

FUTURE EVENTS

Congregational Meeting ~ Sept. 11 at 6 p.m.
AMC Menno Haven Retreat ~ Sept. 24 & 25

SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEK

Ryan Miller had a serious backpack for his hiking trip in Canada recently.



JUST FOR FUN

"WHERE is my SUNDAY paper?!" the irate customer yelled after calling the newspaper office.

"Madam," said the employee, "today is Saturday. The Sunday paper isn't delivered until tomorrow"

After a long pause on the other end of the phone, she was heard to mutter, "Well, that explains why no one was at church either."



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