

January 28, 2018

# FREEDOM & PURPOSE



**AMC**  
arthur mennonite church

**TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION**  
**10:30 am Sunday, January 28, 2018**

**Worship Leader:** Willis Kuhns

**Music Leader:** Lynn Marner    **Message:** Glen Rhodes

\*indicates those who are able may stand

*If you are interested in a large print blue hymnal, please ask an usher.*

**GATHERING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY**

\*Gathering Song: *Great Are You Lord*

Welcome & Congregational Information

Call to Worship: Today is the Day

Opening Prayer

**PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD**

Children's Time

We Worship God by Presenting our Tithes & Offerings

*Praise The Lord (Evermore)*

\*With Voices We Sing

Brown #213 *Because He Lives*

Brown #342 *Just As I Am*

Blue #303 *Come, Gracious Spirit*

Intercessory Prayer - Ashley Litwiller

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 29:18-27; Acts 2:17-19

Message: "Seeing Through the Fog" 1 Samuel 3:1-19

Communion: Sharing The Lord's Supper together

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

\*Prayer of Response & Sending

\*Sending Song: *Here I Am, Lord*

**Come forward following the service for anything  
in your life that you would like prayer for.**

*Have a blessed week!*

## WELCOME TO AMC!

*If you are a guest we look forward to meeting you  
and invite you to join us again next Sunday.*

- Information about AMC is available in the literature rack near the north doors and for more information visit 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 CLASSES TODAY

*Classes start at 9:30 a.m.*

**Children:** Ages 2-5th Grade

West Basement

**Jr High:** Grades 6-8 - Youth House

**Youth:** Grades 9-12 - Youth House

**Adult Choices:**

Fell. Hall: Faith in Action

Room 1: Psalms Bible Study

Room 5: Variety of Lessons

## SERMON QUESTIONS FOR THOUGHT AND DISCUSSION

- Have you ever heard an audible voice from God? If not, have you sensed his direction in other ways? How?
- New Year's resolutions are fine, but what vision, mission, and goals have you set for your faith and God's purpose for your life?
- What fog, storm, or tragic situation do you need Jesus to see you through right now? He can help you get through it and find freedom!

**Going Deeper:** In your prayer life this week find a way to open yourself to the voice of the Lord. During your prayer time say, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening." Then sit in silence and listen.

## PERSONAL WORSHIP NOTES

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# Outreach Our Relationships with the World

## **READY TO RETIRE?**

Everence Seminar

Everence Financial will present an informational seminar at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15th on both Medicare and Social Security. Representatives from Everence will provide instructions on how to enroll, explain your options if you continue to work and answer related questions. The seminar will be at Hawthorn Suites in Champaign. RSVP to Jennifer Birkey at 891-1417 or via email at: [jennifer.birkey@everence.com](mailto:jennifer.birkey@everence.com)



## **BACKPACK PROGRAM**

Off to a Great Start

The community school backpack program that sends various food items home each weekend for some children is off to a great start. Around 30 children/families are being helped in this way. If you would like to donate to this ministry/outreach there is a special account set up at the State Bank of Arthur. Just let them know it is for the backpack program and they will inform you in how to write the check and memo line.

## **PRAYER REQUEST**

From MMN

Today, Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure leaders are concluding a retreat in San Diego. Pray that the spiritual and physical renewal they experienced through worship and fellowship will inspire and sustain them in the coming months of mentoring the participants in their units.



**JUNIOR HIGH**

Arthur Mennonite Church

**HIGH SCHOOL**

**Feb 4th**

**YOUTH**

**TODAY**

Super Bowl Sub  
Fundraiser

Youth House @ 7:29am

Bible Study: Catch Up  
Ahaziah - Hezekiah  
Youth House @ 6pm

# KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Michael & Brittney Yoder have moved. Their new address is 106 Carriage Court in Arthur.
- Many of the members of the Homebuilders Fellowship Group are on a cruise this week to Cozumel, Mexico. This is a real cruise, on a real boat. Not one in the fellowship hall :-)

## BIRTHDAY

Ashley Gallinger *Today*  
Hunter Yoder *Thursday*  
Addison Yoder *Friday*

## THANK YOU!

*We want to thank you for all of the flowers, cards, thoughts and prayers in the passing of Les's father. It was greatly appreciated.*  
~ Les & Marlene Helmuth



## Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

### *Fellowship Meal Next Sunday*

Bring a dish and join us after worship!

### **CRUISE NIGHT**

Sign up!

Dig out those floral shirts, sarongs, hula skirts, and leis as we get ready to set sail to Hawaii for Cruise Night on Saturday, Feb. 10th. Valet parking begins at 5:30 and the ship will set sail at 6 p.m. ***We will be contacting the caterers with a final number soon so please sign up today to get your boarding passes.***



### **COLLEGE BOXES**

Time to Bless Our Students

Community Life is preparing to bless our college students! Most of the students this year travel to and from classes from home so we will be gifting them with gas cards. Instead of collecting snacks we are asking for donations to purchase 5 gas cards and snacks for 1 box. You can help by putting monetary donations in the treasurers mailbox. Thanks for your help!

### **NEW DIRECTORY**

In Mailboxes

The new directories are in mailboxes. Let us know if you need additional copies. We also have an online directory and info on accessing that will be shared via email!



# Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

## The Year of Your Bible

One of the themes at AMC for 2018 will be making this year the year of your Bible. We will be listing daily Bible passages in the bulletin each week that will take you from Genesis to Revelation this year.



Jan. 29	Exodus 20.1-17	The Ten Commandments
Jan. 30	Exodus 23.20-33	A Promise and a Warning
Jan. 31	Leviticus 25.8-34	The Year of Celebration
Feb. 1	Leviticus 25.35-43	Help the Poor
Feb. 2	Numbers 6.22-27	A Blessing for the People
Feb. 3	Numbers 11.4-15	The People Grumble about Hunger
Feb. 4	Numbers 13.1-24	Twelve Men Sent To Explore Canaan



## Administration Developing & Coordinating our Relationships

### **2017 BUDGET GOAL**

Reached!

The Administration Commission is glad to report that we met our 2017 budget goal. As a result of your generosity, two Outreach ministries (yet to be determined) will be blessed with \$2,500 each. Thank you for supporting the Lord's work through AMC.

### LAST SUNDAY

#### Attendance

Worship Celebration	106
Christian Education	43

#### Offering

General Offering	\$4,950
2017 Year End	+1.5%

#### Primary Dept. Mission Offering

December	\$151
2017 Total	\$405.19

### REMINDERS

#### Nursery

**Today:** Emily K. & Nancy P.  
**Feb. 4:** Steve & Meg Y.

#### Visitor of the Week: Carol Y.

**Arthur Home Service - Today**  
Andy Marner

#### Fellowship Meal - February 4th

Gary & Dorothy Kauffman  
Kevin & Lyndora Miller  
Kim Kauffman  
Mel Yoder



## Worship Our Relationship with Jesus

### COMMUNION

Today



We will share the Lord's supper during worship today. We believe that the Lord's Supper is a sign by which the church thankfully remembers the new covenant which Jesus established by his death. In this communion meal, the members of the church renew our covenant with God and with each other. As one body, we participate in the life of Jesus Christ given for the redemption of humankind. Thus we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

### **PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY**

- Duane Oye - Having heart surgery in St. Louis soon.
- Pray for all those families who have lost loved ones recently.
- Southern Baptist pastor Doug Davis - Broke leg falling on ice
- Families & Individuals in our church and community
- Janet Gingerich's parents. Health.
- Matt Lane's parents. Health.
- Ben Miller - Chemo treatments continue. Got good news recently.
- Adriene Lane - Serving in Ecuador with World Teach
- Cruise Night preparations - Commissions and people getting ready.

### **PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD**

- Pray for safety at Olympics in South Korea next month.
- Pray for Christians in Egypt who are undergoing persecution.
- Addiction crisis in the United States.
- Pray for the Middle East and ongoing conflicts.
- AMC supported missionaries.
- Pray over the ongoing situation with North Korea.



### **AMC'S VISION**

*By 2022, Arthur Mennonite Church will be a courageous people guided by God to rely on Christian practices and to deepen our intergenerational relationships. We will use a spectrum of spiritual gifts and embrace our welcoming atmosphere to show God's love through our actions and fearlessly share his gospel with words.*

***Grow Like Mary, Serve Like Martha***

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 a.m.	Arthur Home Service
	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration / Communion
	6:00 p.m.	High School Youth
Thurs., Feb. 1	All Day	WMSC Quilting
	3-5 p.m.	Coffee & Conversations
Sun., Feb. 4	9:30 a.m.	Christian Education
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Celebration
	Noon	Fellowship Meal
		Super Bowl Sub Pickup
	6:00 p.m.	High School Youth

## FUTURE EVENTS

Cruise Night ~ February 10th

### SNAPSHOT

*Junior and Judy are in Florida this week with Junior's family. Here he is with his brother Jake and sisters, Rosa Cender and Ella Schrock.*



### JUST FOR FUN

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?



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

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