

January 13, 2019

Authentic
FAITH

Real Faith for Real Life

JAMES 1:22

AMC
arthur mennonite church

710 East Park Street // Arthur, Illinois 61911 // 217-543-2781

Welcome!

First-time Guests

- We are glad you are here!
- Need more info about AMC? Speak with a member of the ministry team or visit our website.
- Nursery is available for children 5 and under.
- Buddy bags for older children are in the foyer.
- Large print hymnals are available.

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Prelude singing begins at 10:20 a.m.

CHRISTIAN EDU 9:30 A.M.

ADULTS

God's Word & God's People Fell. Hall
Galatians & James Room 1
Various Topics Room 5

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (GRADES 9-12)

Youth House

JR HIGH YOUTH (GRADES 6-8)

Youth House

PRIMARY KIDS (AGE 2—GRADE 5)

West Basement

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**

CONNECT

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MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes (Team Leader)
Administration & Community Life

Ashley Litwiller
Worship & Youth

Lamar Miller
Outreach

Jeff Marner
Discipling

Welcome Visitors! Are you interested in learning more about AMC? We would like to get to know you as well. Please fill this out, tear it off, and put in the offering plate this morning as it is passed. This can also be used for weekly prayer requests.

Name _____ I would like more info. about:

Address: _____ Adult/Child ministries _____

Phone: _____ Small Groups _____

Email: _____ Bible Studies _____

Ages of Children: _____ Service Opportunities _____

Prayer Request: _____

DISCIPLING

Life Groups to Restart

The value of small groups in the life of a congregation is very important. Last Sunday a sign up sheet was passed around worship for those interested in being in one of the Life Group's that will be starting up in February. If you were not able to sign the sheet last Sunday and are interested in being a part of a group please see one of the Ministry Team members soon. We would like to see as many as possible involved in both Fellowship Groups and Life Groups at AMC.



Difference between Fellowship Groups and Life Groups

Many of the fellowship groups at AMC have been meeting for years and continue to provide wonderful times of community and fellowship. Life Groups are intended to be more focused times of sharing, learning, Bible Study, and support. Both are important as we grow closer to Jesus and closer to each other.

Stewardship: The Benefits Of Commodity Gifts

In the latest edition of the Everence Everyday Stewardship magazine Lyle Miller shares some helpful information that farmers have available to them concerning giving and commodities. His article "Corn donation can beat cash" is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Levi Yoder is our AMC Everence Representative if you have further questions.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am 10:30 am	Christian Education Worship Celebration
Tuesday	8:15 am 11:00 am	Community Life Meeting Ministry Team Meeting
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Discipling Meeting
Thursday	3-5 pm	Coffee & Conversations
Next Sunday	9:30 am 10:30 am	Christian Education Worship Celebration

FUTURE EVENTS ~ AMC PRAYER MEETING - JANUARY 27

COMMUNITY LIFE

Fellowship Meal Volunteers

Thank you to all those who help during our monthly fellowship meals. On some months Community Life has trouble filling the volunteer slots for fellowship meals due to various reasons. Would you be willing to be on a list to be called to help on months that extra help is needed? If so please talk to Sandy Snyder and let her know.

Birthdays This Week

Jackie Crabtree	Tues. Jan. 15
Brendon Lane	Tues. Jan. 15
C.J. Yoder	Wed. Jan. 16
Ed Yoder	Thurs. Jan. 17
Nancy Kuhns	Thurs. Jan. 17
Madison Snyder	Friday, Jan. 18
Alta Yoder	Sat. Jan. 19
Rhonda Rhodes	Sat. Jan. 19



No Anniversaries This Week

PRAYER LIST

Praying for our Church and Community

- Brad Lane - Matt Lane's father, health.
- Ashley Guenther - Healing from appendectomy.
- AMC Families who have lost loved ones recently.
- Mervin Gingerich - Virgil's brother is healing from recent surgery.
- Hunter Kauffman Family - Gary & Dorothy's new grandson in NICU.
- Sherrill Shunk - Healing from surgery this past Thursday.
- Arlone Doan and family - Bob Doan passed away last week.
- AMC Commissions for 2019. AMC affiliation discernment.

Praying for our Nation and World

- Government shutdown and those workers affected.
- AMC Supported Missionaries around the world.
- Indonesia - Another recent Tsunami has claimed many lives.
- Those families still recovering from fires and floods this past year.
- Peace in various areas of the Middle East.

ADMINISTRATION

Budget Goal Reached!

Thanks to your generosity and ongoing support of the ministries and outreach here at AMC we reached our budget goal for 2018. This means that two ministries will be blessed with \$2,500 each in the next month or two. The Ministry Team and Outreach Commission will be discussing where to sow that money in the weeks ahead and will share that in the bulletin once it is dispersed.

Everence Employment Opportunity

Everence is looking for a full-time Client Services Representative to join the team in Fisher, Illinois. Administrative support experience and willingness to become licensed in insurance is required. For more information and a details see the bulletin board in the foyer.



Fellowship Group Organizers

In the reminders box below we are listing the fellowship groups that are currently meeting and who the next people are to plan a gathering for that group. Please be sure the church office has the most current list and inform the office if changes need to be made.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration	120
Christian Education	48

Offering

Sunday, Jan 6th	\$4,237
Designations:	
Funeral Dinners	\$50
2019 Weekly Goal	\$4,529

Primary D. Mission Offering

December	\$313
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Fellowship Meal - Feb. 3

Gary & Dorothy Kauffman
Michael & Brittney Yoder
Kim Kauffman
Mel Yoder

REMINDERS

Nursery

Today: Michael & Brittney Y.
Jan. 20: Emily K & Erin S.

Visitor This Week:

Glen Rhodes

Fellowship Group (organizers)

Pathfinders: Kenny & Melissa S.

Legacy: Bob Plank.

Homebuilders: Sandy S, Karen L.

Care N' Share: Willis & Dee K.,
Carol Y., Bertha Y., Phyllis K.

Sunday Arthur Home Service

January 27: Andy Marnar

Next Tues. Arthur Home Service

March 19 - Jeff M. (Legacy)

OUTREACH

Meals on Wheels

With the closing of the R and I Restaurant last week, Meals on Wheels deliveries will now be picked up at the Eberhardt Village cafeteria at 11am until further notice. If you are down to deliver meals and have any questions please call Betty Phalen at 273-2995.

Monthly Prayer Meetings

In 2019 our theme or focus is going to be on prayer. Last week's message was an introduction to this theme and our focus verse of Colossians 4:2 says, "*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.*" We will have various ways to encourage you to grow in your prayer life this year. One of those is an opportunity to gather together for prayer. On the last Sunday evening of each month at 6:00pm we will have a prayer meeting here at church. The first prayer meeting will be January 27. Mark your calendar!

New Message Series: James: Where's The Proof?

Today Glen is beginning a message series on the book of James. Each week we will look at one chapter of James and consider what the younger brother of Jesus has to say about being doers of the Word. Today is chapter 1 and each week you will be encouraged to read the chapter ahead of our worship time.

Keeping Up & Thank You!

- Meredith Schrock was recently accepted at the University of Illinois. Congratulations!
- Gloria Yoder left on a trip to California with her 5 sisters yesterday. This trip is a yearly tradition of her family.
- Bob Doan passed away last weekend. He was very active in our community and served on the board of the Illinois Amish Heritage Center.

Just For Fun

The real measure of your wealth is how much you would be worth if you lost all your money.

More exercises we'd be better off without in 2019....

- Dragging your heels
- Adding fuel to the fire
- Fishing for compliments
- Passing the buck



YOUTH GROUP

JUNIOR HIGH

TODAY

MH Winter Retreat
Return @ 4pm.



HIGH SCHOOL

Jan 30

Fellowship:
Movie Night

Super Bowl Sub Fundraiser

The Annual Youth Group Super Bowl Sub Fundraiser is going on now! Place your orders to a HSYouth or JrYouth! There will be some youth in the foyer the next two Sundays to take orders. Orders are due Jan 20th. Funds will go towards the summer trips for both youth groups.

Each sub is \$6 and approximately 8 inches long.



WORSHIP

World Fellowship Sunday

To celebrate World Fellowship Sunday the Arthur Ministerial Association will once again be having a pulpit exchange next Sunday, January 20.

The Arthur First Baptist pastor John Stewart will be preaching here at AMC and AMC pastor Glen Rhodes will be preaching at Vine Street Christian Church next week. Five different local churches and pastors will be taking part in this.



Answered Prayers

If you or someone you know has a testimony of answered prayer, please let Worship Commission know. This year, with our theme of prayer, we are hoping to highlight moments of answered prayer during our Sunday Morning worship services.

Night of Worship

Save the Date for March 24th at 5pm for a two-hour night of worship together. If you have a form of worship you'd like to share there, please let a member of Worship Commission know.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Today's Message: "True Faith" James 1

Scripture: Genesis 6:9-22; Ephesians 2:1-10

Worship Leader: Ed Yoder

Intercessory Prayer: Lamar Miller

Order of Service

- Gathering Song
- Congregational Information
- Call to Worship and Prayer
- Children's Time
- Tithes & Offerings
- Worship Video
- Worship Songs
- Intercessory Prayer
- Scripture Reading
- Message
- Song of Response
- Prayer of Response & Sending

A pastor will be at the front of the church for prayer after the service.

Worship Notes

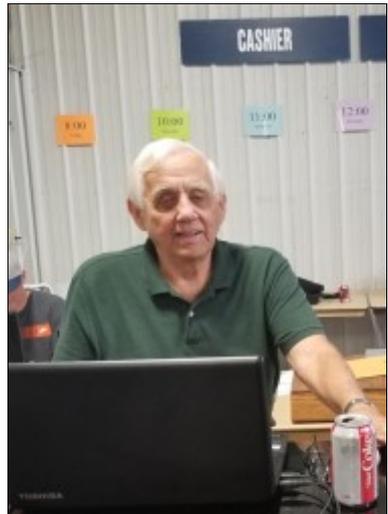
Sermon Questions

For Thought & Discussions

- ◆ What in your life gives proof of your faith in Jesus?
- ◆ What might need to change in your life to give a more accurate picture of Jesus to others?
- ◆ Will people want to have what you have as a follower of Christ?

Going Deeper: Pay attention to things this week that may not be a positive witness of your Christian faith to others. Words, attitudes, and actions.

Snapshot of the Week



A flashback to the Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale this past August. Junior Beachey served as the trusty cashier.