

May 26, 2019

PROMISE

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?

JOHN 14:15-31

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

<i>Discipleship & Mission</i>	Fell. Hall
<i>Book of Mark</i>	Room 1
<i>Stories of the Bible</i>	Room 5

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (GRADES 9-12)

Youth House Back Room

JR HIGH YOUTH (GRADES 6-8)

Youth House Front Room

PRIMARY KIDS (AGE 2—GRADE 5)

West Basement

AMC'S VISION

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 Marnar
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 and answered prayer.

Name _____	I would like more info. about:
Address: _____	Adult/Child ministries _____
Phone: _____	Small Groups _____
Email: _____	Bible Studies _____
Ages of Children: _____	Service Opportunities _____
Prayer Request/Answered Prayer _____	

DISCIPLING

VBS is Next Week! Rolling River Rampage

June is just around the corner and that means its time to sign up for Community Vacation Bible School. This years theme will be "Rolling River Rampage." Once again AMC will be joining other local churches in this outreach ministry.

AMC will be the main gathering place with other churches also hosting various things. If you would like to help or volunteer, talk to Erica Schrock soon. Parents, sign your children up now on the VBS website which is www.arthurvbs.org



**June 3-7 at AMC
9 - 11:30 am**

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am	Arthur Home Service (Primary)
	9:30 am	Christian Education (classes for all ages)
	10:30 am	Worship
	3:00 pm	JrYouth
	6:00 pm	Prayer meeting in fellowship hall
Tuesday	11:00 am	Ministry Team meeting
Wednesday	6:00 pm	HS Youth
Thursday	3-5 pm	Coffee and Conversations at RoseLen's
	7:00 pm	Explore Life Group/Marriage Life Group
Saturday	4:00 pm	Ignite Your World Youth Rally (Atwood)
Next Sunday	10:00 am	Worship in the Park (Brad O Clen)
	12:00 pm	Potluck Fellowship Meal at the Park
Mon., June 3	9:00 am	VBS begins for entire week
	7:00 pm	Worship Commission meeting
Tues. June 4	All Day	WMSC quilting
Thurs., June 6	3-5 pm	Coffee and Conversations at RoseLen's
Sun., June 9	9:30 am	Christian Education (classes for all ages)
	10:30 am	Worship back at AMC building

COMMUNITY LIFE

Father's Day Men's Picnic

The annual men's picnic to celebrate Father's Day will be held at Bryan Yoder's pond again on Saturday, June 15 at 5:30 pm. All men are invited and bring your father's and sons. Food is provided but bring lawn chairs and yard games.

Birthdays This Week & Next

Marlon Miller	Tuesday, May 28
Sondra Gingerich	Tuesday, May 28
Joanna Yoder	Wednesday, May 29
Kenny (Erica) Schrock	Thursday, May 30
Erica Schrock	Friday, May 31
Morgan Mercer	Tuesday, June 4
Cory Kauffman	Wednesday, June 5
Michael Yoder	Wednesday, June 5
Cameron Schrock	Thursday, June 6
Bryan Yoder	Friday, June 7



Anniversary's This Week & Next

Zeb & Kendra Hughes	Tuesday, May 28
Matt & Jacque Lane	Sunday, June 2
Glen & Rhonda Rhodes	Saturday, June 8



PRAYER LIST

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.” Colossians 4:2

Praying for our Church and Community

- LeAnne Tully - Breast cancer
- Recent graduates and their futures.
- Willis Yoder's family - Funeral was this past week.
- Those who have lost loved ones recently.
- Farmers - Late planting due to rain.
- Vacation Bible School and the seeds to be sown there.



Praying for our Nation and World

- Burkina Faso, Africa - Christians being killed and persecuted
- Country of Sri Lanka. Church bombings on Easter killed over 300.
- Pray for families affected by ongoing flooding in the Midwest.
- AMC Supported Missionaries around the world.

ADMINISTRATION

Congregational Meeting and Affiliation Vote Results

The vote on future church affiliations for AMC was held last Sunday night. For the past several years at Arthur Mennonite Church (AMC) we have had many conversations and questions about denominational affiliations. These all led to a congregational vote on Sunday, May 19 in which the AMC members in attendance voted to leave Mennonite Church USA and Illinois Mennonite Conference to join LMC: A Fellowship of Anabaptist Churches (formerly Lancaster Mennonite Conference) and the Evana Network of churches. The vote to change affiliations passed by 88% in favor. This transition will begin to take place in the next month or two. Continue to keep our church family in prayer as we go through this time of transition. May the Lord lead us forward. The meeting notes are posted on the bulletin board.



Eberhardt Village Devotions

Pastor Glen Rhodes and other local pastors have started leading a weekly devotional time at the Eberhardt Village community room. These devotions are from 10:30 to 11:00 every Tuesday morning. Anyone in the community is invited to join them.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration	123
Christian Education	42

Offering

Sunday, May 19	\$4,390.25
Designations: Tulips	\$12
2019 Weekly Goal	\$4,481
Budget Goal YTD	-18%

Fellowship Meal - June 2

At Brad O Clen Park.

DuWayne & Karen M., Debby K,
Ed & Joanna Y., Karen L. Chris M.

Sunday Arthur Home Service

May 26: Primary Dept.

REMINDERS

Nursery

Today: Emily K. & Erin S.
June 2: Worship at the Park

Visitor This Week:

Lela Reynolds

Fellowship Groups

(organizers for June)

Pathfinders: Vernon & Irlene C.

Legacy: Lamar/Nadine M.

Homebuilders: Larry & Sherryl H.

Care N' Share (May-July)

John & Alta Y., Lela R.,
Ervin & Bernadine Y., Faye O..

Next Tues. Arthur Home Service

June 4 - Glen R. (Homebuilders)

OUTREACH

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the people of Venezuela. Pray for peace and that God would pour out abundant blessings as Mennonite congregations share what little they have with their neighbors.



Pipeline to Prison

Join Mennonite Central Committee Great Lakes for a week-long Pipeline to Prison learning tour on August 4-9. Based in Goshen, Ind., the tour will focus on the challenges and complexities of the U.S. criminal justice system and include day trips to South Bend, Elkhart, and Bunker Hill, Ind. Participants will journey from the local community level through the criminal justice system, learning about law enforcement, sentencing, incarceration and re-entry. All who are interested in learning about disparities in the justice system, including those working in or seeking to develop a prison/re-entry ministry, are welcome. For more information and registration visit mcc.org/gl-pipeline-to-prison or contact Juan Sebastian Pacheco Lozano at JuanPacheco@mcc.org or 574-534-4133.

Keeping Up

- Lynn Marner is retiring from the Arthur Grade School after 19 years of a job well done. A retirement party is being held for her on Saturday, June 8 from 2-4 pm at the Arthur Community building. It is a come and go open house with light refreshments. No gifts.
- Willis O. Yoder passed away last weekend in Pana, IL. His funeral was held here at AMC this past Wednesday.

Just For Fun

“I can’t get down from the mountain!” Tom alleged.

I managed to befriend
a dolphin.
We just clicked.



- Congrats to Debby Kauffman! Her grandson Isaiah Joseph was born to Kyle & Whitney on Thursday.

YOUTH GROUP

JRYOUTH

TODAY

Bible Study:
Going Off The Deep
End with God
YH @ 3 pm



HS YOUTH

May 29

Outing: Movie
Theater
Gertie @ 6:45 pm

Youth Rally - Ignite Your World 2019

For all kids who just completed Grades 5 through 12, we are invited to a youth rally hosted by First Baptist Church of Atwood on June 1st at 4:30pm. Doug Davis is the speaker and Mitch Fleming will be our worship leader. Let Ashley know if you are planning on joining in so she can get a rough number to First Baptist!

Summer Job/Ministry Opportunity

Do you enjoy leading kids to different activities? Leading them in crafts? Watching over their life by water? Making them food? Consider volunteering up at Menno Haven for a week or two this summer! They are in need of many positions to be filled by any age high school or older! Contact Ashley Litwiller for more info.

WORSHIP

Worship In The Park: Next Sunday

Our annual worship in the park Sunday will be held on June 2nd at Brad O Clen park north of Arthur. We will hear testimonies of Matured Answered Prayer: How is prayer still being answered years later? The outdoor worship service will begin at 10:00 am* and a potluck fellowship meal will be shared after the service. Bring a dish to share, your lawn chairs, and anything else that might add to the morning and afternoon in the park. There will not be a bulletin printed next Sunday so two weeks of calendar and birthdays are included in this bulletin.

- **Please note special starting time of 10:00 am**

VBS Need: The VBS committee needs to collect over 250 empty toilet paper and paper towel cardboard rolls for VBS crafts this year. Please start collecting these and bring them to the tub in the church foyer by Sunday, June 2.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Today's Message: "I Promise!" John 14:15-31

Scripture: John 21:1-6; Luke 24:44-53

Worship Leader: Jenni Marnier Intercessory Prayer: Glen Rhodes

Order of Service

Gathering Song
Congregational Information
Call to Worship and Prayer

Children's Time
Tithes & Offerings
Video
Worship Songs
Intercessory Prayer

Scripture Reading
Message

Prayer of Response
Sending Song

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

Sermon Questions

For Thought & Discussions

- ◆ How well do you trust other people? Automation? Jesus?
- ◆ What promises of Jesus do you find the hardest to trust in? How can you increase your faith in those?
- ◆ In your life right now what promise of Jesus do you need to focus on the most?
- ◆ **Going Deeper:** The word promise is found 225 times in the Bible. Spend some time this week searching for those promises and then apply them to your life.

Worship Notes

Snapshot of the Week



Floyd Borntrager attracted this butterfly to his nose one Sunday after eating at the local Mexican restaurant.