

August 18, 2019

A scenic landscape featuring a two-lane asphalt road with a double yellow line in the center, stretching into the distance. The road is flanked by vibrant red and orange foliage. In the background, there are snow-capped mountains under a sky with a gradient from blue to yellow. The text "Returning to God" is overlaid in a white, cursive font.

# Returning to God

**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

*Living in Covenant with God* Fell. Hall  
*Book of 1,2 Timothy & Titus* Room 1  
*Stories of the Bible* 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 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 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

## Menno Night: Today!

Our quarterly Menno Night is happening today and tonight. Bring the family out to Bryan Yoder's Pond at 3:30 pm for swimming, fishing, carpet ball, volleyball, games, fellowship and food. Bring your lawn chairs, table games, and something to share for the Fingerfood meal. We will be eating around 5:00pm. If you need directions to the pond please see someone on the ministry team after church. Or ask a friend.

## Combined Christian Ed. next Sunday

Eric Kurtz (MCC Great Lakes Executive Director) and Les Zook-Gustafson (MCC Representative) will be in Arthur for the Relief Sale this next weekend. They will also be joining us on Sunday morning following the sale. Both of them will be sharing MCC updates and stories during a combined Christian Ed. time next Sunday, August 25. Eric will also be bringing the message.

*"You will know as much of God, and only as much of God, as you are willing to put into practice."*

— Eric Liddell

# CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am 10:30 am 3:30 pm	Christian Education (classes for all ages) Worship (Communion) Menno Night at Bryan Yoder's Pond
Monday	5:00 pm	Outside Work Night at the church
Tuesday	3-5 pm 6:00 pm	Coffee and Conversations at RoseLen's Nursing Home Service
Friday	4:00 pm	Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale
Saturday	All Day	Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale
Next Sunday	9:30 am 10:30 am	CE with MCC (classes for all ages) Worship (MCC Dir. Eric Kurtz)

# COMMUNITY LIFE

## Is Lamar the Fastest Pastor?

AMC Pastor Lamar Miller will once again be racing in the Faster Pastor race at Macon Speedway this Saturday, August 24. The races begin at 7:00 pm and the pastors will be racing during the intermission time. Last year Lamar came in 2nd place. If you plan to go, talk to Lamar about discount passes for all AMCs. Let's cheer Lamar on to victory!



## Birthdays and Anniversaries

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from the bulletin or if we have the dates or names incorrect please call the church office and let us know so that we can get it corrected. We try to do our best but sometimes we make mistakes. Your grace is appreciated.

### Birthdays This Week

Melissa Schrock

Tuesday, August 20

Logan Schrock

Wednesday, August 21



### Anniversaries This Week

Willis & Dee Kuhns

Monday, August 19

Lynn & Marla Kauffman

Tuesday, August 20

# PRAYER LIST

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

## Praying for our Church and Community

- Gloria Yoder - Chemo treatments
- Cheryl Conlin - Had treatments for Lymphoma
- Bob Plank's father Marvin (cancer, health)
- Jackie Carter Family - Grandmother Darlene Beck passed away.
- Starla Carr - (Bertha Yoder's daughter) Cancer treatments
- Floyd Wood - Continued Health.



## Praying for our Nation and World

- Pray for LMC and Evana - New relationships being fostered.
- Mass shootings in U.S., Protests in Hong Kong
- Christians who are being persecuted around the world.
- Lift up the ongoing immigration going on around the world
- AMC Supported Missionaries around the world.

# ADMINISTRATION

## Outside Work Night at AMC is Tomorrow

The trustees have planned an outside work night for tomorrow night at 5:00 pm. Bring rakes, blowers, trimmers, trailers, and anything else that might help as we spruce up the outside of the church grounds.

## Illinois MDS meeting to be held at AMC

The Illinois District of Mennonite Disaster Service will hold their annual meeting at AMC on Saturday, September 7 from 10 am to 1 pm. Our church will be providing a noon meal and anyone is invited to attend and be a part of this meeting.



## 2nd Annual Cliff Kauffman Tractor Drive

This tractor drive in honor and memory of Cliff will take place on Monday, September 2nd in Arthur. Registration and Check in will begin that morning at 6:30 am in front of Yoder's Kitchen. The tractors will depart at 8:00 am for a 30 mile route. An article and more details are posted on the board in the foyer.

### LAST SUNDAY

#### Attendance

Worship Celebration	118
Christian Education	51

#### Offering

Sunday, August 11	\$7,809
Designation: Funeral	\$50
2019 Weekly Goal	\$4,481
Budget Goal YTD	-0.3%

#### Fellowship Meal - September 1

Les & Marlene H.,  
Virgil & Sondra G., Taya Foushi,  
Jory and Natalie B., Ryan Miller

#### Sunday Arthur Home Service

August 25 - No Service

### REMINDERS

#### Nursery

**Today:** Emily K. & Erin S.  
**August 25:** Steve & Meg

#### Visitor This Week:

Glen Rhodes

#### Fellowship Groups

*(organizers for August)*

**Pathfinders:** Lynn & Marla K.

**Legacy:** Andy & Lynn M.

**Homebuilders:** Larry & Dory K.

**Care N' Share (Aug. - Nov.)**

Jr. & Judy B., Jake & Maranna C.,  
Ed & Edna G.

#### Next Tues. Arthur Home Service

August 20 - Ashley L. (Care N' Share)

# OUTREACH



**Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale**  
**Friday, August 23 4-9 pm**  
**Saturday, August 24 6am - 3 pm**



## Relief Sale Volunteer Sign ups

This is your last chance to sign up to volunteer at the Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale on August 23-24. Check the bulletin board in the foyer for these opportunities to serve this year. Lunch stand workers, bake pies, help at the registration/payment area, etc. Talk to someone on the committee to help in other places.

## Relief Sale Hog Donations

The Relief Sale committee is taking hog donations now for the upcoming Relief Sale. It is \$50 for a half and \$100 for a whole hog. Talk to DuWayne & Karen Miller or Cliff & Kathy Yoder for any and all questions regarding the sale.

## MCC School Kits

Since the store aisles are filled with school supplies now is a good time to buy supplies for MCC School Kits. Place the items in the tub in the foyer and they will put together at the AMC Fall Festival.

**One kit includes:** 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets), 8 new unsharpened pencils, 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional), 12 colored pencils (in packaging), 1 large eraser, 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens, 1 small all metal pencil sharpener, one or two holes.

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## Keeping Up

- Glen Rhodes attended a pastors conference in Peoria on Thursday & Friday of this past week.
- Bob Plank's father Marvin has been moved to Sullivan Health Care Center. Please continue to keep Marvin, Bob, and the family in your prayers.

## Historical Note

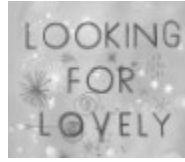
Edna Mae Miller (101) passed away in Goshen this past week. Edna was one of the 57 charter members of AMC in 1940 and later became a member of Clinton Frame Church in Goshen, IN.

# YOUTH GROUP

## JRYOUTH

### Tonight

Menno Night  
@ Yoder's Pond  
Start @ 3:30pm



## HS YOUTH

### Aug. 24

Volunteer  
at Relief Sale  
See Details in Email  
& Facebook group

## Last Youth Group

Meredith Schrock and Shelby Frederick attended their last AMC Youth Group gathering where they celebrated their new season with a Reese's Ice Cream Cake along with chips and salsa. Happy Trails to them as they begin their college years in Champaign these next few weeks!



## Relief Sale Volunteering

The Relief Sale board has asked our JrYouth and HSYouth ages to volunteer at the sale for quick walks of drinks through the auction seats each hour. If any youth are able to give less than an hour or more, let Ashley know as soon as possible. Thank you!

# WORSHIP

## Sharing The Lord's Supper Together

This morning we will share communion together during our morning worship service. Prepare your heart for this time as we come to the Lord to remember all He has done for us.

## Nursery Workers and Parents Info Meeting Rescheduled

The meeting for all those who volunteer in the nursery or have kiddos who attend nursery (up to 5 years old) will now be on Sunday, September 15th at 6pm. We will plan to meet for about an hour to go over guidelines as well as listen to concerns and answer any questions.

# TODAY IN WORSHIP

**Today's Message: "Restoration Projects" Glen Rhodes**

*Main Text:* 2 Samuel 6:1-19 *Others:* Mark 8:22-25; 1 Peter 5:6-11

*Worship Leader:* Willis Kuhns *Intercessory Prayer:* Glen Rhodes

## Order of Service

- Gathering Song
- Welcome/Cong. Information
- Call to Worship and Prayer
- Children's Time
- Tithes & Offerings
- Video
- Worship Songs
- Intercessory Prayer
- Scripture Readings
- Message
- Communion
- Prayer of Response & Sending
- Sending Song

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

## Worship Notes

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## Sermon Questions

*For Thought & Discussions*

- ◆ What have you restored in the past? Furniture, a tractor, your home?
- ◆ What in your spiritual life needs restoration?
- ◆ What relationship in your life needs restoration?
- ◆ **Take it Further:** Read the story/parable of the prodigal son in Luke 15:11-32 this week. Think about the restoration that takes place in this parable and the grace of Jesus.

## Snapshot of the Week



Four Generations: Faye Oye, Sandy Snyder, Jeff Snyder, Madison Snyder.