

February 9, 2020



UNSHAKEABLE FAITH

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>Honoring God</i>	Fell. Hall
<i>Numbers & Deuteronomy</i>	Room 1
<i>Stories of the Bible</i>	Room 5

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (GRADES 9-12)

The Screwtape Letters ~ Youth House

JR HIGH YOUTH (GRADES 6-8)

Shine On ~ Youth House

PRIMARY KIDS (AGE 2—GRADE 5)

Shine On ~ 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

AMC Theme for 2020

We continue to look at the book of 1st John today as we introduce the AMC theme for 2020. We are going to move forward together in the truth, spirit, and light of Christ. We will be encouraging this theme of togetherness throughout the coming year. Our theme verse will be 1 John 1:7 which says, *"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."* Let's move "Forward Together"



The Great Passion Play In Eureka Springs

The Great Passion Play in Eureka Springs, Arkansas is "America's #1 Attended Outdoor Drama" according to the Institute of Outdoor Theatre and Drama of East Carolina University at Greenville. Eureka Springs is just the place to relive *The Greatest Story Ever Told!* The Play at 8:30pm (7:30pm after Labor Day) is not the only thing to see and do though. The Christ of the Ozarks, the Holy Land Tour, Moses Tabernacle in the Wilderness, a section of the Berlin Wall, the Church in the Grove, the Bible Museum, the History Museum, and the Sacred Arts Museum, God with Us Movie, Noah's Ark Park Petting Zoo, Hiking Trails, and Mountain Bike Trails are also on the grounds and are open ALL YEAR LONG! Visit greatpassionplay.org for more information.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am	Christian Education (classes for all ages)
	10:20 am	Prelude Singing
	10:30 am	Worship
Wednesday	8:15 am	Breakfast Club at Yoder's Kitchen
	7:00 pm	HS Youth Bible Study
Thursday	11:00 am	Ministry Team meeting
	7:00 pm	Explore Life Group
Next Sunday	9:30 am	Christian Education (classes for all ages)
	10:20 am	Prelude Singing
	10:30 am	Worship
	3:00 pm	JrYouth Bible Study

COMMUNITY LIFE

AMC Cruise Night Thank You!

The AMC Cruise Night Event that took place here at the church last night takes a lot of people to make it happen. Too many to name in this announcement. Thank you to all those who had any part in making this event a fun-filled night for our church family. The food was delicious, the decorations were great, and the entertainment never disappoints. God has blessed this church with a lot of talent and giftings for sure. Let's continue to use those gifts in various ways of ministry as we serve the Lord together. The AMC Community Life Commission wants to thank you all.



Birthdays This Week

Bill Moreland	Sunday, February 9
Jordan Gingerich	Monday, February 10
Ryan Burdick	Friday, February 14



Anniversaries This Week

Levi & Gloria Yoder	Friday, February 14
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PRAYER LIST

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

Praying for our Church and Community

- Maria and Chad Yoder - twins passed this week during pregnancy
- Kim Kauffman - Healing from recent surgery
- Janet Gingerich - Healing for knees
- Ed Gingerich - Healing from recent bout of pneumonia in Florida
- Extended family members of AMCs battling cancer/health
- Dee Kuhns - Had tests at hospital this week for spell of passing out
- Vickie Gibson - Delilah's daughter healing from shoulder surgery
- Caleb Lane - Sudden recurrence of rheumatoid arthritis in hips
- Gloria Yoder - Daily radiation treatments will be done next week.

Praying for our Nation and World

- Current U.S. escalated tensions with Iran. Pray for peace and calm.
- Coronavirus, US Elections, Australia wildfires, Homelessness.
- U.S. govt. turmoil, Middle East wars, protests/riots in several places.

ADMINISTRATION

Ashley Litwiller called to Camp Menno Haven

On Sunday, January 26 during worship, Youth/Worship Pastor Ashley Litwiller shared that she has accepted the position of Program Director at Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center in Tiskilwa, Illinois. Her last Sunday will be March 29. The words that Ashley shared and the response of the Ministry Team following are shared in this month's Greater Things newsletter. Keep Ashley and AMC in your prayers as we both transition into the Lord's next steps for us.

Old Couches and New Meeting Area

The old couches from Rm. 5 are now gone. They were given to a local person who was in need of some furniture for their home. Stop by Room 5 in the East Basement sometime and look at the new meeting area that is provided there for counseling, group meetings, or any other church related activities.

Products For One

In a recent Everence newsletter it was reported that there are now more products on the market for single person households. In 2018 28% of households in the U.S. were home to one person. That is more than twice the single homes reported in the 1960 census.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration	115
Christian Education	43

Offering

Sunday, Feb 2	\$
All for General Fund	
2020 Weekly Goal	\$4,559

Fellowship Meal - March 1

Lamar & Karen M., Tim Mast,
Kenny & Melissa S., Chris Mast,
Carol Yoder

Sunday Arthur Home Service

February 23 - Fell. Hall C.E. class

REMINDERS

Nursery

Today: Nancy P. & Kendall B.
Next Sun.: Kendra H. & Alexis H.

Visitor This Week:

Lynn Marnier

Fellowship Groups

(organizers for February)

Pathfinders: Kenny & Melissa S.

Legacy: Andy & Lynn M.

Homebuilders: Sandy S./Karen L.

Care 'n Share

Bertha Y., Phyllis K., Willis & Dee K.,
Lela R., Faye O.

Next Tues. Arthur Home Service

April 14 - Glen R.. (Homebuilders)

OUTREACH

AMC College Students Blessed

Thank you for your very generous donations to bless our college students. Below is a list of those who were sent letters and boxes of snacks, gift cards, and gas cards this past week.

Meredith Schrock - University of Illinois

Brendon Lane - Illinois State University

Michelle Schrock - McKendree University

Shelby Fredrick - Parkland College

Caleb Lane - Lakeland College

Alicia Yoder - Lakeland College

Regina Miller - Lakeland College

Jackie Carter - Lakeland College



Great Winter WarmUp Thank You From MCC

Thank you to the countless volunteers who made the Great Winter Warm-up a success! Groups of all sizes gathered in more than 100 events in churches and homes across the United States, Canada and Europe resulting in a preliminary estimate of over 5,700 comforters received. And that number is only expected to grow as the official counting continues through the end of the month. Every one of the comforters completed during the event is important.

Keeping Up



- Congratulations to Natalie and Jory Borntreger who are expecting their first child to arrive in August.
- Congratulations to Jackie Carter and Harold Yoder who are expecting another child in July.
- Pray for Chad & Maria Yoder; this past week, they got the news that their twins have passed on during pregnancy.

Just For Fun



I asked the guy sitting next to me if he had any Sodium Hypobromite.
He said, “NaBrO”

Age 60 might be the new 40,
but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.

What steps should you take if you come across a very dangerous animal in the wilderness?

Very large ones!

YOUTH GROUP

JRYOUTH

Feb 16

Bible Study:
Loves Us Best
1 John 4:7-21
YH @ 3pm



HS YOUTH

Feb 12

Bible Study:
Experience Invincible
YH @ 7pm

WiFi Coming to the Youth House!

Plans are being finalized to finally get the Youth House set up with a WIFI connection streamed from the church building. This solution was chosen as a one-time cost, rather than a monthly cost.

Super Bowl Subs Fundraiser

Thank you to all who ordered subs, donated time and energy to making our beloved fundraiser a success! We assembled 650 subs and raised \$1,818.76. A huge thank you to all who participated!

WORSHIP

February 23rd Worship Service

To continue with our Forward Together theme, Worship Commission has planned a special service on Feb 23rd where we will reflect on scripture and stories that tell the story of God's relationship with His people and their relationships with each other, which includes all of us. If you have a memory to add to our collection, turn in the first page of this bulletin with your story in the space provided there or email it to the church email at arthurmennonite@gmail.com

Night of Worship - March 22nd at 5pm

Worship Commission is looking to host a Night of Worship in the sanctuary on March 22nd starting at 5pm. Anyone who has a testimony, reading, or song to share with those in attendance is welcome to reach out to a member of the commission (Nadine Miller, Andy Marner, Rhonda Rhodes, or Ashley Litwiller) to get signed up. Plan to come out for a night of worshipping our Lord Jesus!

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Today's Message: "What More Does It Take?"

Main Text: 1 John 5 ~ Pastor Jeff Marner

Texts to be Read: 1 John 5:1-5, 6-12

Worship Leader: Kat Burdick

Intercessory Prayer: Jeff Marner

Order of Service

Gathering Song
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship & Candle Lighting
Opening Prayer
Children's Time
Tithes & Offerings
Worship Songs
Intercessory Prayer
Special Song
Scripture Reading
Message
Prayer of Response & Sending
Sending Song

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

Sermon Questions

For Thought & Discussion

- ◆ Do some of God's commandments seem like a heavy burden? Which seem light as air?
- ◆ Is there a particular commandment that our culture finds ridiculous?
- ◆ **Take It Further:** Is there anything about 1 John that surprised you? What ideas in the book would you like to explore further?

Worship Notes

Snapshot of the Week



Meredith Schrock took this selfie with Illini basketball coach Brad Underwood after a recent Illini home victory.