

October 18, 2020



EVER FAITHFUL

Peter and the other apostles replied:
“We must obey God rather than
human beings!”

ACTS 5:29

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 10:25 a.m.

CHRISTIAN EDU 9:30 A.M.

ADULTS

Variety of Materials Fellowship Hall

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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MINISTERS

All of Jesus' Followers here at AMC

MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes (Team Leader)

Administration & Worship

Jeff Marner: *Discipling & Youth*

Lamar Miller: *Outreach*

Nancy Kuhns: *Community Life*



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

MTCRC Evaluations Due Today

In the AMC Constitution it reads that every three years the Ministry Team/Congregation Relationship Committee (MTCRC) is to oversee an evaluation of the Ministry Team and Congregation. That evaluation was in mailboxes two weeks ago. Please fill the evaluation out and return them to the box in the foyer by today after worship. MTCRC this year is Les Helmuth, Carol Yoder, and Larry Kauffman. They will report on the results at our December Congregational meeting. Thank you for your input and feedback.



MEDA Virtual Convention

The Mennonite Economic Development Association (MEDA) is going to hold their 2020 convention virtually on November 6-7. Plenary sessions will include keynote speakers Paul Plett, Amanda Little, and MEDA clients from Jordan, Nigeria, and Kenya. Their will be a full range of seminars to choose from along with various virtual networking opportunities. You can sign up for this convention at www.medaconvention.org

MEDA serves the working poor around the world, bringing dignity and joy by helping them grow sustainable, locally owned small businesses that are not dependent on charity for survival.

Find out more on their website: www.meda.org

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am	Christian Education Classes for all ages
	10:25 am	Prelude Singing
	10:30 am	Worship (On-site and Facebook Live)
	2:30 pm	JH Youth - Mini Golf in Decatur
Wednesday	1 & 7 pm	Everence Webinar/Retirement concerns
	7:00 pm	HS Youth
Saturday	5:00 pm	Legacy Fellowship Group at Lanes
Next Sunday	9:30 am	Christian Education Classes for all ages
	10:25 am	Prelude Singing
	10:30 am	Worship (On-site and Facebook Live)

COMMUNITY LIFE

Legacy Fellowship Group

The Legacy Fellowship group will be meeting this Saturday, October 24 at 5:00 pm for a cookout at Matt & Jacque Lane's home.



Family Getaways at Menno Haven

Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center is still offering several weekends for your family to get away and enjoy the fall colors and woods for the weekend. October 23-25, November 20-22, and December 18-20 are the planned get away weekends. The atmosphere during these weekends will be very relaxed and allow your family to plan the weekend activities as you would prefer. Space is limited so these weekends will be on a first come basis. Find out more on their website at mennohaven.com/familygetaways

Birthdays This Week

Sam Petersheim

Sunday, October 18

Bertha Yoder

Saturday, October 24

Anniversaries This Week

Ed & Edna Gingerich

Saturday, October 24



PRAYER LIST

Praying for our Church and Community

- AMC Gift Discernment Coordinating Committee - 2021 callings
- Willis and Dee Kuhns - Transitions due to health/wellness concerns
- Ron and Janice Thomas - Both tested positive for Covid-19 recently
- Safe and successful harvest for farmers.
- Paul Mast and family - Sister Edna Hostetler passed away in OH
- Winnie Caskey - Healing from foot procedure done this past week
- Mary & Henry Herschberger - Has had various health issues recently
- Esther Yoder and residents of Eberhardt Village and Arthur Home

Praying for our Nation and World

- Coronavirus in our community, country, and world.
- Hurricane Delta and those people affected
- Upcoming elections in the United States (Local, state, and country)
- Pray for all leaders in our country and around the world
- Missionaries and persecuted Christians around the world

ADMINISTRATION

Foyer to be Painted

At the last Congregational meeting it was announced that Mark Conlin will be painting the foyer walls in the near future to match the recently painted sanctuary walls. When this is completed the paneling look will all be painted and updated around the church.

Women's and Girl's Retreat

Amigo Center in Sturgis, Michigan is planning a retreat for women and girls March 19-21, 2021. The theme will be "Your Story Matters." Do you have a story to tell? Do you have a story to hide? Does your story even matter? Join us for an enriching weekend as we explore God's Story, our own, and discover how the two fit together. From the simplest memory to the most complex tale, your story is valuable. It is worthy of attention and redemption. Connie Gochenaur will be the guest speaker. More info. on the foyer board.



*"Our Lord's conception of discipleship is not that we work for God,
but that God works through us."*

- Oswald Chambers

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: Sunday, Oct. 11th

Worship:	65
Christian Ed.	28

Offering

Sunday, October 4	\$2,975
2020 Weekly Goal	\$4,559
Budget Goal YTD	- 3.7%

**No Fellowship Meals
at this time**

Sunday Arthur Home Service

All Cancelled at this time

REMINDERS

Nursery: Starting up again

Today: Emily K. & Kendall B.

Next Sunday: Jackie C. & Harold Y.

Visitor This Week:

No visitors during this time

Fellowship Groups

(Organizers for October)

Pathfinders: Fall Festival

Legacy: Matt & Jacque L.

Homebuilders: Cliff & Kathy Y.

Care 'n Share: Aug. - Oct.

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

Next Tues. Arthur Home Service

All Cancelled at this time

OUTREACH

Operation Christmas Child

Christmas will be here before we know it. It's time now to pack our Operation Christmas Child boxes to be sent around the world through Samaritan's Purse Ministries.

The child boxes are now available in the foyer. You may also use a standard shoebox, or a plastic shoe tub. Choose to pack for a boy or girl between the ages of 2-14. Please pick up a "How to Pack a Shoebox" brochure for directions and ideas. You can also visit their website for more information at samaritanspurse.org. You can pack as many boxes as you would like. Please have the boxes packed, and returned to the foyer by November 20.



Meals on Wheels Delivery

The Arthur Meals on Wheels community outreach is still going strong. The schedule is being made for 2021 and this program needs some more helpers to drive around town and deliver meals. Delivery takes about 45 minutes and your week to deliver will only come around every 3-4 months if they have enough help. Meals are in cartons and are currently be made by Yoder's Kitchen and Eberhardt Village. If you can help with this ministry or have other questions please see Glen Rhodes.

Keeping Up



- Jory & Natalie Borntreger celebrated their wedding anniversary this past Tuesday. We congratulate them here since it was not included in last week's listings.
- Congratulations to Larry and Pat Yoder who are grandparents once again. Elijah Romine was born to Adam and Hayley this past week. Pat has put a flower at the front this morning to celebrate his birth.
- Jeff Marner provided some of his tasty garden salsa to the Arthur Grade School teachers recently and they thanked him on their Twitter account.

Just For Fun



It's a shame nothing is built in the U.S.A. anymore.

I just bought a



T.V. and it said "Built in Antenna."

Where do you take someone injured in a Peek-A-Boo accident?
To the ICU.

YOUTH GROUP

HS YOUTH **Upcoming**

Wed., Oct. 21
7-8:30pm
@ Kendall's



JRYOUTH **Upcoming**

Sunday, Oct. 18
2:30-5pm
Mini-golf
@ Youth House

Youth Council

Congratulations to Taylor Miller (president), Olivia Gingerich (representative), and Kendall Burdick (representative) for being elected to represent the high school youth on its youth council.

Jr High Mini-Golf Today

The Jr high youth will head to Decatur for mini-golf at Overlook and ice cream at Krekel's. Please arrive at the church building in time to allow us to leave promptly at 2:30pm. Mini golf will be paid for, but *please bring money and a mask for Krekel's*. You're always welcome to bring your Jr high friends!

WORSHIP

Worship Singers for 2021

The Worship Commission is going to be working on the schedules for 2021 in the next couple of months for worship leaders and singers. If you would like to be a part of this or be taken off of the list for this next year please talk to Nadine, Andy, Rhonda, or Glen in the next couple of weeks. Thank you to all those who make our times of worship meaningful and worshipful through music and singing.



AMC Night of Worship

The local Partners In Praise group is planning a night of worship for Sunday, November 1 at 6:00 pm in the AMC sanctuary. Everyone from the community is invited to attend so please invite your friends for a night of worship, music, singing, and praising the name of Jesus.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Today's Message: "Daniel's Pledge of Allegiance"

Daniel 1:8-20

Message by Glen Rhodes

Worship Service

Join us on-site for church this Sunday
or tune in on Facebook Live at 10:25am

Songs of Praise and Worship

The Family of God

God So Loved

Revelation Song

Jesus Paid It All

*Gathering Song:

Our God Reigns (Br 229)

Opening Words, Announcements, Prayer

Call To Worship

Children's Time

Tithes & Offering Prayer

Scripture Readings

Romans 8:5-10; 1 Peter 2:11-12;

Acts 5:27-32

*Intercessory Prayer

Message: "Daniel's Pledge of Allegiance"

Prayer of Response & Sending

*If you would like prayer, talk to a ministry team
member or call the church at 543-2781*

Sermon Questions

For Thought & Discussion

- What allegiances do you have in your life? What order do they truly fall in?
- How will your commitment to Christ be If the lions are circling or the furnace is turned up?

Take it Further: Think about some steps you can take in your life to pull away from worldly allegiances and instead be fully committed to Jesus and God's control.

Worship Notes

Snapshot of the Week



Esther Yoder at Eberhardt Village.

Esther is able to have visitors again and she would love to see some AMC family. Call Eberhart at 543-3705 to arrange your visit.