

November 22, 2020

Our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ 1 John 1:3



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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

Worship Gatherings

We hope to continue to have in person Christian Ed. classes and Worship gatherings at AMC in the weeks ahead. But we would also like to remind everyone to be safe, smart, and comfortable during this time of rising Covid cases in our area.



Safe: Use social distance, masks, and other precautions to help. **Smart:** If you are not feeling well or have recently been around someone who is not feeling well, please stay home & join us online. **Comfortable:** If you are not comfortable attending right now because of the virus, we understand, and we hope that you will join us on Facebook Live each Sunday for worship.

Seating during Worship: To help with our distancing during worship we have put tape on the pews to guide our seating. Please sit in places that are not taped off. This may mean you need to change your location a bit during this time but we hope everyone will help with this and be understanding.

Don't forget to use these helpful apps to stay connected!



CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am 10:30 am	Christian Education Classes for all ages Worship (On-site and Facebook Live) Christ The King Sunday/Communion <i>*Singing begins at 10:25am</i>
Monday	7:00 pm	Relief Sale Committee meeting
Wednesday	8:15 am	Breakfast Club at Yoder's Kitchen
Next Sunday	9:30 am 10:30 am 3:00 pm	Christian Education Classes for all ages Worship (On-site and Facebook Live) First Sunday of Advent: On The Road <i>*Singing begins at 10:25am</i> JH Youth at Youth House

COMMUNITY LIFE

We give you thanks Lord Jesus for this church family, your blessings in our life together, and your promises that sustain us. We are grateful for your provisions and for watching over us during this difficult year. May we continue to seek you and your ways in all that we say and do. We praise your name on this Christ The King Sunday!

Christmas Decorating

The AMC Decorating Committee would like to invite anyone who can come and help decorate the church for Christmas. This will take place this Wednesday, November 25 beginning at 9:00 am. The more the merrier!



Birthdays This Week

Levi Schrock Justin Yoder Nadine Miller Monday, Nov. 23 Tuesday, Nov. 24 Friday, Nov. 27



Anniversary This Week

Floyd & Clara Wood

Thursday, Nov. 26

PRAYER LIST

Praying for our Church and Community

- Bertha Yoder's daughter Janet in Indy Had a stroke this past week.
- Henry Herschberger & Family- Wife Mary passed away recently.
- Sherrill Shunk and Ray Sherrill's health is failing.
- Watson Grimsley & Family Justin & Tiffany's newborn came home.
- AMC Gift Discernment Coordinating Committee 2021 callings.
- Matt Lane Had hand surgery recently. Healing and patience.
- Jim Sutton's family Brother of our LMC District Bishop passed away.

Praying for our Nation and World

- Those affected by Hurricanes Eta and Lota.
- School children, teachers, and staff during difficult school year.
- Coronavirus in our community, country, and world.
- Election results and future leaders (Local, state, and country)
- Pray for peace and calm in the U.S. following the recent elections.
- Missionaries and persecuted Christians around the world.
- Supported AMC Missionaries: Wigginton Family and Ortiz Family

ADMINISTRATION

November Fifth Sunday Offering

November has five Sundays and the AMC Administration Commission is designating the offering for next Sunday, November 29 to all go to the AMC Camp Fund to send children and youth to Camp Menno Haven. This fund is used for winter retreats as well as assistance to help families cover the expense of sending their kids to summer camps at Menno Haven. Please plan for this in your giving.

GDCC Letter and Response Forms

The AMC Gift Discernment Coordinating Committee has put a letter in your boxes with the proposed Commission callings for 2021 and other explanations. Please read the letter carefully and then prayerfully respond by next Sunday, November 29. Place your response forms in the box in the fover. Thank You!

Christmas Poinsettias

It's time to start signing up for Christmas poinsettias to decorate our church during worship. If you would like to purchase one of these you can sign up in the fover and put \$12 per plant in the Administrative Assistant's mailbox. Please mark who the money is from. If you would like to dedicate your poinsettia in memory of a loved on you can also write that on the sign up sheet.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: Sunday, Nov. 15th Worship: 53 Christian Ed. 26

Offerina

Sunday, November 1	\$2,105		
Youth Work Day: \$100			
2020 Weekly Goal	\$4,559		
Budget Goal YTD	%0.1		

Cong. Meeting Dec. 6, 9:30 am

The AMC Christmas Program is planned for Dec. 13. Children are practicing during Primary Sunday School each week.

REMINDERS

Nursery: Starting up again Today: Jackie C., Harold Y. Next Sunday: Emily K. & Alexis H.

Fellowship Groups (Organizers for November)

Pathfinders: Ed & Joanna Y. Legacy: Bob P. Homebuilders: Ervin & Nancy K. Care 'n Share: Nov. - Jan. Levi & Gloria Y., Sarah S., Floyd & Anna Mary B.

No Fellowship Meals at this time



OUTREACH

The Ortiz Family: EMM Supported Missionaries

New prayer cards for our supported missionary family through Eastern Mennonite Missions were in your boxes recently. The Ortiz family (Luis, Jodi, Gavino, and Elena) are still waiting to depart for Cambodia due to the Covid pandemic and still needing to raise funds. We hope to connect with them

via a video in worship soon so that they can share about their family, their calling, and their current situation. Please put these cards in a place that will remind you to pray for them in the days ahead. If you would like to support them financially call the church office for more information on how to do that.

MCC Looking for SWAP Coordinators

Mennonite Central Committee is looking for Job Site Coordinators and Meal Coordinators for their 2021 Summer staff in Harlan, Kentucky and Kimball, West Virginia. This ministry "Sharing With Appalachian People" continues to bless people in these areas with home construction and home repairs. If you would like more information on these positions visit the MCC website (mcc.org) or call the church office.

Keeping Up



- Ryan and Kat Burdick enjoyed a getaway vacation to Jamaica last week. Even though it rained most of the time they were glad to have some time away for rest and relaxation.
- Andy and Lynn Marner are now operating an Airbnb if you have anyone coming to Arthur who needs a place to stay. It is the apartment that is attached to their house. Talk to them if you want to know more information.





A man goes to the eye doctor and says he wants to see better...



The eye doctor asks him to look out the window and tell him what he can see...

> "I see the Sun" the man said...

"Well, how much farther do you want to see?" asked the doctor.



YOUTH GROUP

HS Youтн <u>Upcoming</u>

Wednesday, Nov 25 No Youth



JrYouтн <u>Upcoming</u>

Sunday, Nov. 29 3-5pm @Youth House

Fall Work Day

Thank you for supporting the youth in their effort to raise money on Fall Work Day! We raised \$400 to assist the efforts of the Southern Baptist Food Pantry.

WORSHIP

Christ The King Sunday: Communion

Our annual service to celebrate Christ The King Sunday will be today. It may look a little different this year (like most things) but this morning during the worship service we will celebrate Jesus our King, and celebrate his work through this church family here at Arthur Mennonite Church this past year. We will be sharing communion during the service (in a safe manner) and give thanks for the many things God has done in and through us during this difficult year of 2020. We will not be having the feet washing service during C.E. this year. Normal C.E. classes will be taking place this Sunday.

Advent Begins Next Sunday

The Advent season begins next Sunday with the First Sunday of Advent. Our theme this year is "On The Road..." We will embark together on a journey to bring us closer to the heart of Jesus. We will be



heading down different roads of awareness each week as make our journey to Christmas and the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Sound Improvement on Facebook Live

The Worship Commission recently upgraded the sound on the Facebook Live feed for worship each Sunday. A new cable will allow the sound to come directly out of the soundboard instead of relying on the sound in the sanctuary. This will make it much easier to hear.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Today's Message: "Jesus Is The Way Forward" 1 John 1 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 To God Be the Glory (Br 66) Sing Of the Mercies (Br 457) Let It Be Said Of Us Build Your Kingdom Here

*Gathering Song: *Together*

Opening Words/Announcements

Prayer

Words of Worship

Song of Worship / AMC Year in Pictures

Tithes & Offering Prayer

Scripture Readings Romans 12:3-8; John 15:12-17

*Intercessory Prayer

Message: "Jesus Is The Way Forward"

Communion

Prayer of Response & Sending

Sermon Questions *For Thought & Discussion*

- What things from 2020 do you need to leave in the past and move on from?
- Where has your focus been? On all the things going on, or on Jesus?

Take it Further

Be sure to praise Jesus this week for all the blessings in your life. It' too easy to look at the bad and not appreciate the good.

Snapshot of the Week



Addi Yoder dressed up as Ariel from the Little Mermaid last week on Disney Day at school.

Worship Notes