

December 13, 2020



AMC  
Christmas Program

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**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

[arthurmennonite.org](http://arthurmennonite.org)

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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# DISCIPLING

## Christmas Poinsettias In Memory

1 - Junior & Judy Beachey	Parents & Siblings
1 - Lela Reynolds	Husband
1 - Cliff & Kathy Yoder	Parents
2 - Jackie Crabtree	Grandpa & Mother in Law
1 - Lester Schrock	Parents
1 - Sandy Snyder	Husband DeWayne
1 - Debby Kauffman	Husband Cliff
1 - Faye Oye	Duane
1 - Vera Yoder	Parents
1 - Karen Litteral	Dad & Grandparents
2 - Erica Schrock	Dad & Grandparents
1 - Larry & Dory Kauffman	Parents & Cliff

Thank you to those who bought poinsettia's to decorate our church during this Christmas season. You can take them home following the Christmas service here next Sunday, December 20.



# CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:30 am	Christian Education Classes for all ages
	10:30 am	Worship (On-site and Facebook Live) <i>Christmas Program "5G's of Christmas"</i>
	3:00 pm	Jr Youth at Youth House
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Worship Commission meeting
Wednesday	7:00 pm	H.S. Youth at the Youth House
Next Sunday	9:30 am	Christian Education Classes for all ages
	10:30 am	Worship (On-site and Facebook Live) Christmas Celebration Service

# COMMUNITY LIFE

## Church Directory Updates

In 2021 we are going back to our printed church directories without pictures. It has been several years since we last printed one of these so there may be quite a few updates that need to happen. We have tried to cover some of those and update it as good as possible but we need your help. Please stop by the table in the foyer and either correct your information or add it if it is missing. Thank you!

## Birthdays This Week

Linda Schrock	Thursday, Dec. 17
Myra Beachy	Friday, Dec. 18
Edna Gingerich	Saturday, Dec. 19
Jackie Carter	Saturday, Dec. 19
Les Helmuth	Saturday, Dec. 19
Vera Yoder	Saturday, Dec. 19



Happy birthday to Lucy Yoder who turned 3 this past Friday. We missed her in last week's bulletin.

## Anniversary This Week

Michael & Brittney Yoder      Sunday, Dec. 13

# PRAYER LIST

## Praying for our Church and Community

- Peter Kauffman - Had knee surgery this past Wednesday. Healing.
- Alexis Dodge - Broke her arm and now is wearing a cast. Healing.
- Sam Petersheim - Had pacemaker & 2 stents put in. Healing.
- Ed Kauffman - Phyllis' husband was in hospital with pneumonia.
- Willis Kauffman and family - Wife Mary passed away last week.
- Ervin & Bernadine Yoder's family - Sister in Law Florine in IN passed.
- Arthur Home & Eberhardt Village - Residents/Staff and Covid cases.
- AMC family who have been sick and/or tested positive for Covid.

## Praying for our Nation and World

- School children, teachers, and staff during difficult school year.
- Coronavirus in our community, country, and world.
- Missionaries and persecuted Christians around the world.
- Supported AMC Missionaries: Wigginton Family and Ortiz Family

# ADMINISTRATION

## Congregational Meeting Recorded

The AMC December congregational meeting was held last Sunday during the Christian Ed. time. Due to covid we have been holding these meetings in the sanctuary so that they can be recorded on CD for those who are not able to attend. You can find the recording of that meeting in the foyer if you would like to check it out. The meeting notes will be posted on the bulletin board soon.

## Announcements From Everence

**Apply now for a 2021-22 scholarship.** Our church's faith-based partner, Everence, wants to help people nurture their talents. If you or your parents are or become Everence members and you will be enrolled in a college or trade school next fall, apply for an Everence College Scholarship of up to \$3,000 before March 10. Visit [everence.com/college-scholarships](http://everence.com/college-scholarships) for guidelines and an application.

**Share your heart.** Now is a special time to make your generosity shine even brighter. Everence, a faith-based partner of our church, can help you simplify your year-end giving.

Visit: [everence.com/giveback](http://everence.com/giveback) to learn about two ways to maximize your charitable gifts.



### LAST SUNDAY

**Attendance: Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>**

Worship: 91  
Christian Ed. 57

### Offering

Sunday, December 6 \$12,505

### Designations

*Menno Haven - \$50*  
*Building Fund - \$3,050*

2020 Weekly Goal \$4,559

Budget Goal YTD 3.7%

**No Fellowship Meals  
at this time**

### REMINDERS

**Nursery: Starting up again**

Today: Nancy P. / Kendall B.

Next Sunday: Brittnay & Michael Y.

### Fellowship Groups

**(Organizers for December)**

**Pathfinders:** Open

**Legacy:** Bob P.

**Homebuilders:** DuWayne Karen M.

**Care 'n Share: Nov. - Jan.**

Levi & Gloria Y., Sarah S.,  
Floyd & Anna Mary B.

**No Arthur Home services  
at this time**

# OUTREACH

## On The Level

The latest newsletter "On The Level" from Mennonite Disaster Service is available on their website. You can read about how MDS volunteers are helping to save a forest in Colorado and how they are handling the current covid situation around the country. You can also learn some unique and different ways that you can support MDS in their efforts to help people clean up, repair, and rebuild through hope, faith, and wholeness.



## MCC School Kits Delivered

Thank you to all those who helped with the Mennonite Central Committee School Kits this Fall. Between AMC and North Vine Mennonite we were able to deliver around 150 school kits this week to the MCC distribution center to be delivered around the world.



## Keeping Up



- Mary Kauffman passed away last week. She was a member at AMC. Glen Rhodes officiated at the funeral this past Monday at Edwards funeral home. Pray for her husband Willis and the rest of the family.
- Ervin & Bernadine Yoder's sister-in-law Florine Yoder passed away in Indiana this week. She is the wife of Ervin's brother Lester. Keep them in prayer.

*Thank you so much for Kollin's diaper shower and continued prayers. We are truly blessed!*

*- Natalie & Jory Borntreger*

## Just For Fun



"I forgot most of what I came to the store to buy."  
Tom said listlessly.



# YOUTH GROUP

## HS YOUTH Upcoming

Wednesday, Dec 16  
7-8:30  
@Youth House



## JRYOUTH Upcoming

Today, Dec 13  
3-5pm  
@Youth House

## Youth Christian Education

The high school and junior high meet every Sunday morning at the youth house. Don't wait to resolve to make a commitment starting next year. Join us at 9:30 every Sunday.

# WORSHIP

## Christmas Program Shared During Morning Worship Today

The AMC Worship Commission decided to move the AMC Christmas program this year to the morning worship service this morning instead of having another gathering this evening. This will also be shown on Facebook Live so that extended family members can watch. The program this year is titled "The 5G's of Christmas" and will include some congregational singing. This will take the place of our normal worship singing and the message time today.



## Christmas Service Next Sunday

Christmas is on Friday this year so we will be having our Christmas service celebration next Sunday, December 20. We will continue our "On The Road..." theme as we look at Psalm 148 and Luke 2. Revelation and Rejoicing will be the theme as we sing favorite Christmas songs and hear testimony of our Savior, The Light of the World, who was sent to earth for all people.

*Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."*

*Luke 2:13-14*

# TODAY IN WORSHIP

## AMC Christmas Program

### “The 5G’s of Christmas”

## Worship Service

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

Opening/Announcements

Prayer (Intercessory & Offering)

AMC Christmas Program



Sending Song & Prayer

## Worship Notes

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## Snapshots of the Week



Gary & Dorothy Kauffman recently celebrated their 39th anniversary with a #copterride in Florida with their daughter Kim..

## Questions

*For Thought & Discussion*

- Will you be rushing out to get the “next best thing” in technology this year?
- How can God’s “5G’s of Christmas” help bring peacefulness to your holiday season as well as in your life?

### Take it Further

Spend time this week reflecting on ways to be grateful and giving, where you need to extend grace, and special ways to enjoy the glory of the birth of Jesus Christ.