



Greater Things

ARTHUR MENNONITE CHURCH MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | JULY 2022

“It’s Our Turn!!”

by Nancy Kuhns, Minister of Community Life

After months of preparation, Glen and Rhonda are on sabbatical. There is some concern about how AMC will function without them here. While they are an important part of AMC, I am confident we can do church and be the Church during their absence!! Will it be different? Absolutely!! Will things get overlooked? Most likely, but will it be ok? Yes!! The Ministry Team, Erica, and others have been meeting over the past few months to prepare for covering the responsibilities of the church while Glen is gone. We think we have things covered, but if new things come up I am confident we can figure them out!! We are ready to do our part, but you, the congregation, have a part to play in this process also!! There are things you can do to make this a successful time for AMC.

What can you do? First and most importantly, you can PRAY!! Pray for Glen and Rhonda. Pray that this will be a time of relaxation, renewal, and rejuvenation. Pray for safety for them as they travel. Pray that their sabbatical experience will enrich their ministry when they return. Pray for the Ministry Team, Erica, and other church leaders who have taken on new responsibilities. Pray that our church will stretch and grow during this time.

You can extend grace. Some of us are doing things we haven’t done before and may not get things right the first time. Cut us some slack as we take on new tasks. None of us are full time pastors, so I can guarantee things will be different, but that is ok. Church doesn’t have to be done “the way it always has been done”. This sabbatical gives us the freedom to try new things, like Jeff being able to preach a sermon series. Be open to new opportunities and experiences.

You can do your part! Every week in the bulletin under the heading of ministers, the first line says, “All of Jesus’ Followers Here at AMC.” Everyone in this congregation is capable of ministering to others, and your help is especially needed this summer. If you see a need, volunteer to take care of it. Another way to do your part is to come to church and be involved in church activities. Don’t use Glen’s absence as an excuse to become uninvolved. Glen is on sabbatical, we are not!! We need your support and an important way to show this support is by being in church.

**It’s our turn be the Church together this summer!!
I am confident we can do it well!!**

Minister of Discipling & Worship:
Glen Rhodes

Minister of Community Life:
Nancy Kuhns

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Minister of Outreach:
Emily Kauffman

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Jeff Marnier

JUNE WAS FULL OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP, AND LAUGHTER!

**Family Fun Night
June 4, 2022**

Great food and entertainment for everyone!



**Arthur Community VBS
June 13 - 17, 2022**

This program was a blessing to host. There were 115 kids each day, 50+ volunteers, and \$2,500 was raised for the 2022 Mission Project!



**Men's Picnic
June 18, 2022**

It looks like all the young men had a great time at Bryan Yoder's pond!



FIRST FRUITS - Giving God Our Best

Stewardship

May 29, 2022 - \$2,310 | June 5, 2022 - \$7,119

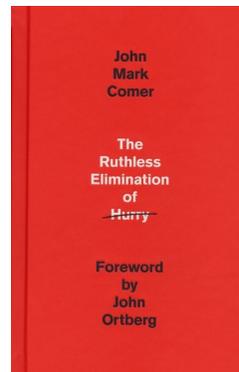
June 12, 2022 - \$1,216 | June 19, 2022 - \$3,671

If you would like to give tithes & offerings, please place them in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or mail your envelope/check to the church at: 710 E Park, Arthur, IL 61911 Please include your envelope so your number can be recorded.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

**The Ruthless Elimination
of Hurry**

by John Mark Comer



This book meets at the intersection of faith and minimalism, arguing that our consumer-driven, rat-race

culture leaves us stressed, sad, and separated from God. Learn how to make space for God - literally and figuratively - by slowing down, spending time with God, and creating space by rejecting our culture's message of "more". Find it in the bookshelf in the foyer and check it out today!

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Henry & Amanda Chupp	4th	Jeff & Michelle Snyder	21st
Denton Marner	5th	Andy & Nancy Plank	24th
Everlynn Yoder	6th	Jeff Marner	24th
DuWayne & Karen Miller	12th	Tiffany Grimsley	25th
arrel Gingerich	15th	Kody Burdick	27th
Heather Walker	16th	Nolan Schrock	27th
Wyatt Herschberger	17th	Seth Gingerich	27th
Drew Cotton	18th		