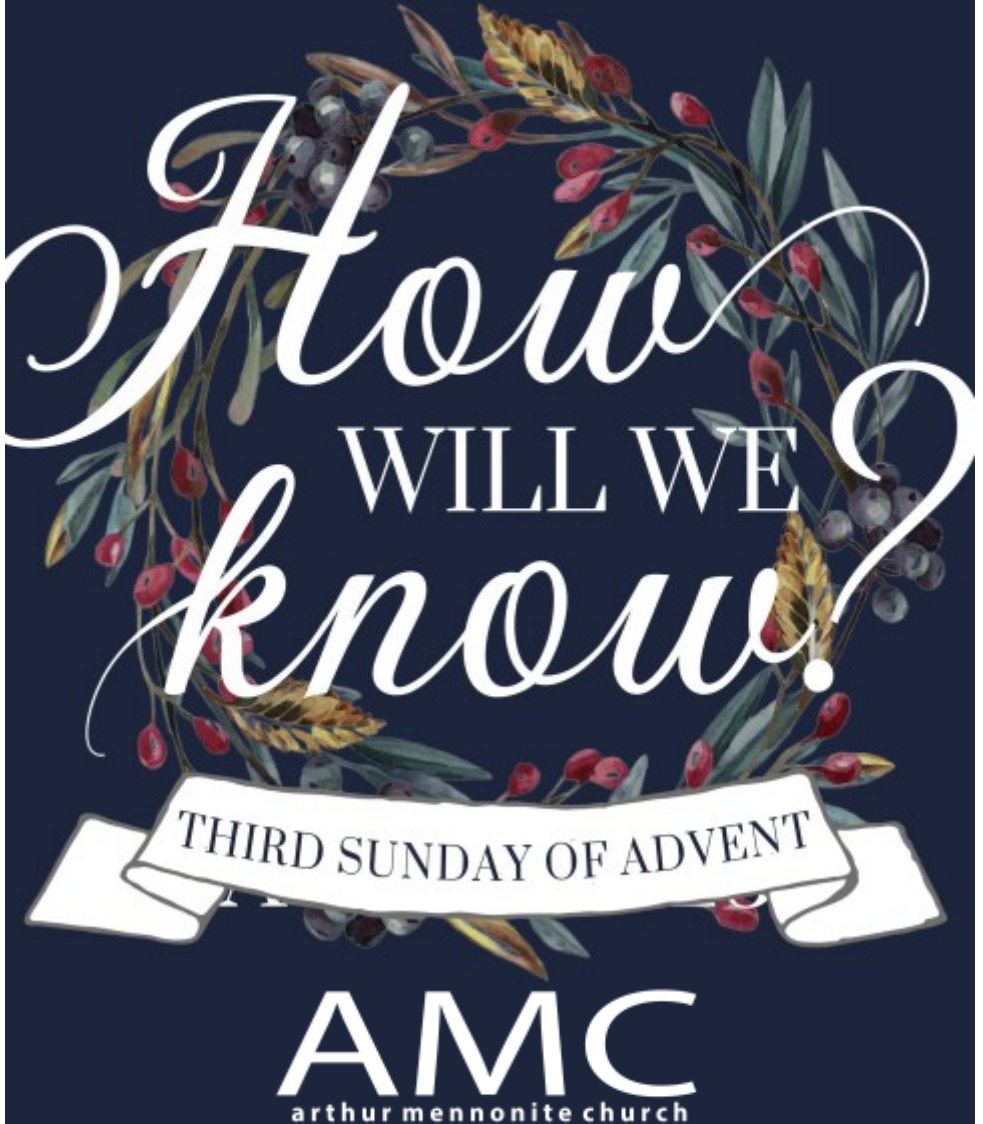


DECEMBER 10, 2023



By 2027, Arthur Mennonite Church will become a community of children and adults who build deeper relationships with each other.

AMC's VISION
NURTURE THE
FUTURE CHURCH

We will guide our children to learn God's Word and know Jesus personally. Opportunities for the spiritual growth of all ages will be provided as we boldly share God's love to the world.

Welcome to AMC!

Are you a first time guest? We're glad you're here!

Nursery is available for children ages 5 and under. Buddy bags for older children are available in the foyer at the back of the sanctuary.

GET CONNECTED



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CONTACT US

MINISTERS

All of Jesus' Followers here at AMC

MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes (Team Leader):

Discipling & Administration

Nancy Kuhns:

Community Life and Worship

Emily Kauffman:

Outreach

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Erica Schrock

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GET INVOLVED

CHRISTIAN ED. CLASSES **9:30 A.M. EACH SUNDAY**

ADULTS

FELLOWSHIP HALL

Faith That Pleases God

PRIMARY KIDS (AGE 2—GRADE 5)

WEST BASEMENT

Gospel Light

JR HIGH YOUTH (GRADES 6-8)

AND

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (GRADES 9-12)

AT YOUTH HOUSE

Exploring the Book of John

AMC YOUTH GROUP **JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL**

Next Gathering: Today!

Youth Christmas Party

- Meet at the church at 5:00 pm -

We will go to Los Gallos Mexican for a Taco/Burrito bar and then on to Lamar & Nadine's for a dessert bar, along with games, gifts, and prizes.

All expenses will be covered!

Sponsors for this event:

Lamar & Nadine Miller,
Glen & Rhonda Rhodes

TODAY'S MESSAGE

"What Will God Do Next?" Luke 1:46-55

Glen Rhodes, Minister of Discipling & Administration

Today's Worship Service

*Join us on-site or on Facebook Live
starting at 10:25am*

Songs of Praise and Worship

Love Come Down

One Thing Remains

**Waymaker*

**O Come, O Come Emmanuel (BR123)*

**Joy To the World (BR125)*

Welcome & Announcements

*Call To Worship & Candle Lighting

Opening Prayer

Hymn Story

Tithes & Offering Prayer

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

*Intercessory Prayer

Message

Closing Prayer

*A Ministry Team member will be at the front of
the church for prayer following the service.*

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration 144

C.E. Classes 42

Offering

Total Offering - Dec. 3 \$5,989

**General Fund - \$3,649*

**Building Fund - \$2,340*

2023 Weekly Goal \$5,055

Budget Progress YTD +1.9%

Tithes & Offerings can be placed in the
boxes at the back of the Sanctuary or
online through the church app/website.

AMC SNAPSHOTS



What a great day it is when we can
celebrate baptisms! We thank God
for the decision that Olivia and
Amber Gingerich have made to
make Jesus their Lord and Savior.

CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Judy Beachey (healing from recent stroke)
- DuWayne Miller (Had knee replace. surgery)
- Olivia & Amber Gingerich (Baptisms!)
- Jennifer Colbe (Healing, Ectopic pregnancy)
- Alta Miller (DuWayne Miller's mother)
- Valerie Carter (Jackie Carters's mother, surg.)
- Family of Faye Oye (passed away recently)
- Dick Rhodes (Glen's dad, pancreatic cancer)
- Peter Kauffman (broken leg, healing)
- Mary Yoder (Lela R. sister, broken leg)
- Rex Wolstenholm (Healing, open heart surg)
- Esther Yoder (Arthur Home)
- Dee Kuhns (Carriage Crossing)

NATION & WORLD

- Advent & Christmas Season
- Wars in Israel, Gaza & Ukraine (Peace)
- Revival & people turning back to God
- Families/Marriages/Children/Seniors
- AMC supported Missionaries
 - Prknovi's in Czech Republic
 - Wigginton/Bravo's in Ecuador
 - Birkey's in Arizona
 - Shelby Fredrick (NC State Mission)

PRAYER REQUESTS

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



**THIS
WEEK**

TODAY *Third Sunday of Advent*

9:30am:
CE Classes
10:30am: Worship
5pm: AMC Youth
Christmas Party

TUESDAY
3-5pm: Coffee & Conversations

WEDNESDAY

8:30am: Ladies' Breakfast
6pm: Homebuilders Christmas

FRIDAY

6pm: Explore Life Group

NEXT SUNDAY *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

9:30am:
CE Classes
10:30am: Worship
6pm: AMC
Christmas Program

Poinsettia Sign Ups Due Today

Today is the last day to sign up for poinsettias. They will be white blooms wrapped in silver foil and a purple bow. These can be in memory of a loved one, or just to help beautify the church for Christmas. You can take these home after the Christmas service on Dec. 24. They are \$15 each. Please put your money with name in the treasurer's box.

Homebuilders Christmas Party

The Homebuilders Christmas Party will be this Wednesday, Dec. 13th at 6pm at Matt & Elaine Schlabacht's home. Contact Debby Kauffman or Kathy Yoder for more details.

2023 Christmas Caroling

We look forward to Christmas Caroling again this year on Tuesday, Dec. 19. We will start by meeting at Eberhardt Village in the dining room at 6pm for the AMC service. We will then visit other households to sing the good news of Jesus' birth. We'd love to see many people join us for the evening!

Youth Winter Retreats - Sign Up Now

The winter retreat dates at Camp Menno Haven have been announced! High School (G. 9-12): January 12-14. Junior High (G.6-8): January 19-21. If you would like to go, please let the church office know soon in order to help get everyone registered. All expenses will be covered by the church. *If you know your child(ren) will be attending, please speak with Glen or Erica by next Sunday in order for the church to receive an early bird discount.*



AMC Christmas Program

Invite family and friends to join us for the AMC Christmas Program "Signs Of Christmas" on Sunday, December 17th at 6:00pm. The evening will be filled with a special skit, music, and the reading of the Christmas story featuring our primary department. There will also be carry-in finger foods after! Please bring extra food for our guests.

Christmas Sunday at AMC

We will be having our Sunday Christmas Service on Dec. 24 this year. It will begin at 10am and we will not be having Christian Ed. classes that day. Join us as we celebrate Jesus' birth!

Third Sunday Breakfasts

We will not be having a 3rd Sunday breakfast this month. The Discipling Commission has decided to start those up again beginning in April of 2024. Thank you to all of the church commissions and groups that have made this possible this year. It has been a great time of fellowship as well as an encouragement for people to attend Christian Ed. classes at 9:30 am.

Thank you for prayers during my recent hospital stay, surgery, and return home. Also, thank you for the beautiful floral arrangement!
~ Delilah England

R E M I N D E R S

Nursery:

Today: Zeb & Kendra H.

Next Sunday: Alexis H. & Evonda Y.