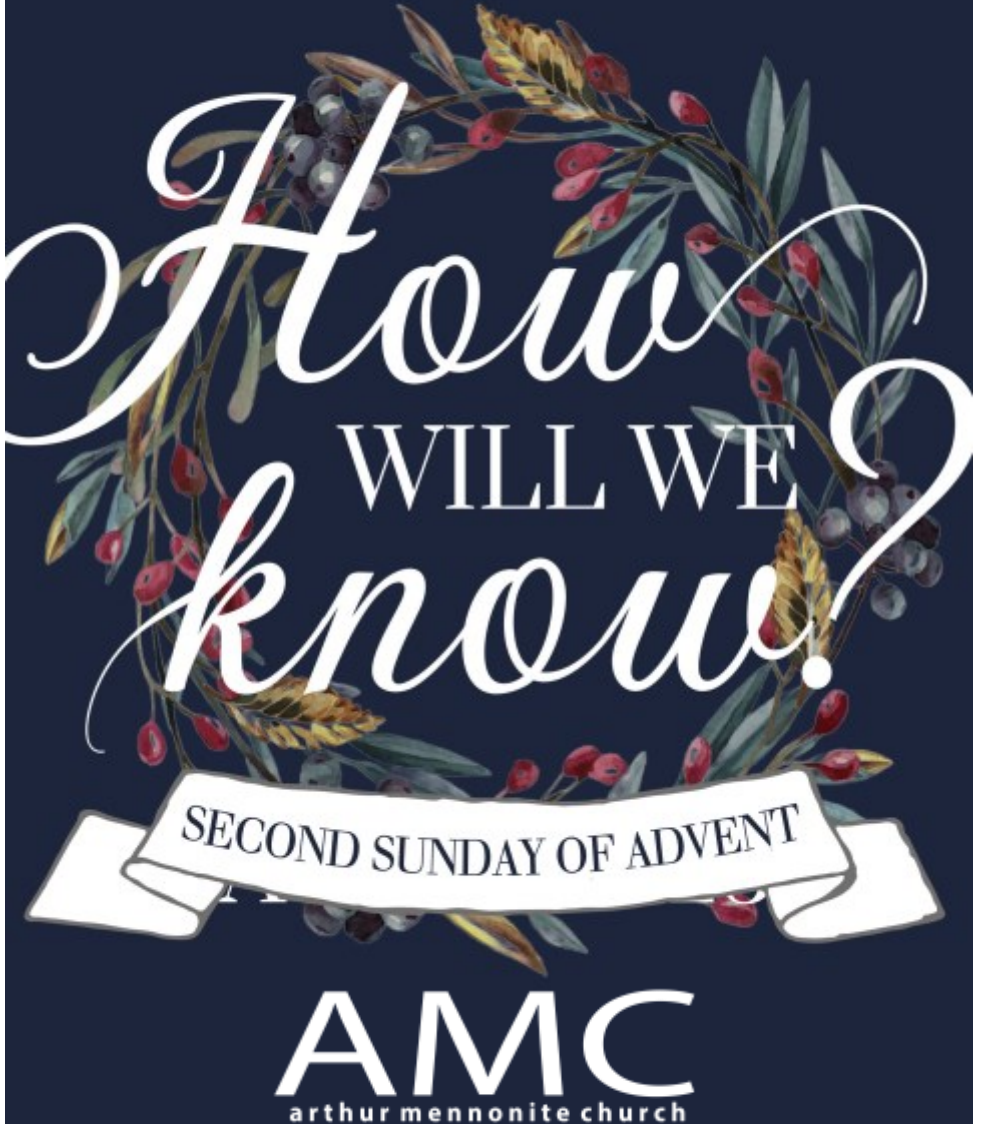


DECEMBER 3, 2023



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: December 10

Youth Christmas Party Next Sunday!

- 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 Now? Be Useful For Jesus!" Mark 1:1-11

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

The Wonder Of It All (BR65)

My Lighthouse

**Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
(BR124)*

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness (BR43)*

**Great Are You Lord*

Welcome & Announcements

*Call To Worship & Candle Lighting

Opening Prayer

Baptism Celebrations

Olivia and Amber Gingerich

Tithes & Offering Prayer

Scripture Readings

Psalms 85:8-13 | Isaiah 40:1-11

*Intercessory Prayer

Message

Song Of Response

Sanctuary

Closing Prayer

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

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance

Worship Celebration 85

C.E. Classes 35

Offering

Total Offering - Nov. 26 \$2,006

**all for General Fund*

2023 Weekly Goal \$5,055

Budget Progress YTD +2.6%

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

Great work AMC Youth!

- Kendall Burdick recently was given the honor of being named this year's DAR Good Citizen Award at ALAH.
- Denton Marner earned the role of Young Scrooge in The Little Theatre On the Square's show, "A Christmas Carol". You can see him perform Dec. 8-17 in Sullivan.
- Kendall Schrock earned 2023 ALAH Golf MVP earlier this month, and was recently named News Gazette All-Area Honorable Mention for golf as well.



The AMC Youth escaped the rooms last Sunday & had a great time!

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Delilah England (healing, gall blad. surgery)
- 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)
- Liz Johnson (Karen's daughter, car accident)
- Dick Rhodes (Glen's dad, pancreatic cancer)
- Jeff Marner (continued healing from surg.)
- Peter Kauffman (broken leg, surgery, healing)
- Bill Moreland (healing from recent fall)
- 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 & 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)

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



**THIS
WEEK**

TODAY *Second Sunday of Advent*

9:30am: CE Classes
10:30am: Worship
11:30am: First Sunday Fellowship Meal
12:30pm: Cong. Meeting

MONDAY 4pm: Worship Comm. Meeting

TUESDAY 6pm: Care N' Share Christmas

WEDNESDAY 9am: Ladies' Christmas Coffee 4pm: Ministry Team Meeting

NEXT SUNDAY *Third Sunday of Advent*

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

First Sunday Fellowship Meal Today

The last fellowship meal of 2023 is today. If you forgot to bring a dish to share, stay anyway! There is always plenty for everyone.

Congregational Meeting Today

We will have our final Congregational Meeting for 2023 following the meal today. Plan to join us at 12:30pm in the church sanctuary to hear updates from all commissions, as well as review the 2024 Budget Proposal and affirm the proposed 2024 commission callings.

Baptism Celebrations Today

We are excited to celebrate the baptisms of Olivia and Amber Gingerich during our worship service today!

Poinsettia Sign Ups

There is still time 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. *Orders are due by next Sunday.*

Ladies' Christmas Coffee

All the ladies who were part of "Women of the Bible" Life Group are invited to Ladies' Christmas Coffee this week on Wed, Dec. 6th in the fellowship hall.

Care 'n Share Christmas Dinner

The Care 'n Share will be having their Christmas Dinner this Tuesday, Dec. 5th at 6pm at the home of Barbara (Allen) Hochstetler (178N CR 525E, Arcola). Cost of the meal will be \$20 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board soon. Contact Judy, Edna, or Bernadine with any questions.

Community Life Surveys

Many people have not returned the Comm. Life surveys. This could make scheduling fellowship meals a bit difficult. Please turn in the form to Vera Yoder ASAP. If you need a new form, talk to Erica Schrock to get one.

Homebuilders Christmas Party

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

AMC Christmas Program

Invite family and friends to join us for the AMC Christmas Program titled "Signs Of Christmas" on December 17th at 6pm. 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!

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!

R E M I N D E R S

Fellowship Meal Helpers Today:

Les & Marlene H, Henry & Amanda C, Drew & Courtney G.

***No Third Sunday Breakfast in Dec.**

Pathfinders: Parent's Night Out

Legacy: Glen & Rhonda R.

Homebuilders: Debby K.

Care 'n Share: Junior & Judy B, Ed & Edna G, Bernadine Y.

Nursery:

Today: Michael & Brittnay Y.

Next Sunday: Harold Y & Jackie C