APRIL 27, 2025

THE BEST IS YET TO COME



By 2027, Arthur Mennonite Church will become a community of children and adults who build deeper relationships with each other. <u>AMC's VISION</u> <u>NURTURE THE</u> <u>FUTURE CHURCH</u> <u>FUTURE CHURCH</u> <u>NURTURE THE</u> <u>FUTURE CHURCH</u> <u>NURTURE THE</u> <u>FUTURE CHURCH</u> <u>Subset</u> <u>Subset</u>

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.



MINISTRY TEAM

Glen Rhodes *(MT Leader) Discipling* Sam Miller (*Youth/Family) Comm. Life* Emily Kauffman: *Outreach* Les Helmuth: *Administration* Nadine Miller: *Worship*

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Erica Schrock

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

ADULTS - FELLOWSHIP HALL Costly Sacrifice

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

ASK ABOUT LIFE GROUPS! JOIN ONE AND GET CONNECTED!

AMC YOUTH GROUP INFO. JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Youth CE at 9:30am on Sunday mornings at the Youth House. Verse of the month: John 3:16.

This week: Developing a Lifelong Faith. Next week: Senior - Cole Bontrager

Next Gathering: May 4th

Following the First Sunday Fellowship Meal, we will go out to the ACS gym. Bring your tennis shoes. We will take the van from the church for transportation if needed.

Upcoming: ReGen Youth Conference happening July 3-7. You won't want to miss this! See Sam for sign up sheet. Deadline for sign up is May 18.

TODAY'S MESSAGE "What's Next" John 16:17-33 Lamar Miller, Gift Discernment Coordinating Committee

Today's Worship Service

Join us on-site or live stream on Facebook or YouTube starting at 10:25am

Songs of Praise and Worship Graves Into Gardens I'll Fly Away (BR554) *Call To Worship *Through Christ In Me *When We All Get To Heaven (BR542) *Hymn Of Heaven

Welcome ~ Announcements ~ Prayer

Tithes & Offerings Prayer

Scripture Readings Psalm 121 | 2 Corinthians 5:1-8

Prayers of Confession, Repentance, & Intercession

Message

Video: Almost Home

Closing Prayer



Easter Sunday was a beautiful celebration of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior! We loved worshipping with everyone!



Attendance Worship Celebration 161 C.E. Classes 73

Offering

Total Offering - April 20 \$4,414 *all for General Fund 2025 Weekly Budget Need - \$6,433

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

PRAYER REQUESTS CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Ervin Kuhns (mild stroke, healing)
- Esther Yoder Family (passed away)
- Ronnie Olivero & Vera Yoder (shoulder surgeries, healing)
- Peter Kauffman (needing prosthetic)
- Sharon Binion (cancer, healing)
- Lela R, Edna G, Josephine M. (Eb Vill)
- John Y. & Ed G. (Arthur Home)
- Molly Appleby (cancer, healing)
- Ken & Jill Bunker (health, healing)
- Adam Kampff (leukemia, healing)

NATION & WORLD

- Persecuted Christians & world revival
- Myanmar & Asia (earthquake)
- AMC supported Missionaries

Prknovi, Glenn, Birkey, all others - Families/Marriages/Youth/Children - Wars in Israel, Gaza, Lebanon, Syria War btwn Russia & Ukraine (Peace)



CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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	9:30am: C.E. Classes	5:15pm: Building Project Team	7:15pm: Worship	9:30am: C.E. Classes 10:30am: Worship
THIS WEEK	10:30am: Worship	Meeting 6:30pm: Explore Life Group	Commission Meeting	11:30am: Fellowship Meal 12:30pm: Youth at ACS

Diaper Shower Next Sunday

Community Life is hosting a diaper shower for Jamison & Cheyanne Miller and their newborn, Boone, on Sunday, May 4th. Because they are using cloth diapers, you can bless them with wipes from Honest Co. or Hello Bello brands. Other options would be Target, Amazon, or Walmart gift cards.

Mother's Day/Ladies Banquet

Community Life is hosting a Mother's Day/Ladies Banquet on Sat, May 10. Jo's Diner will be catering the meal. Doors open at 5:30pm. The meal will be served at 6pm and Virginia Leichty from Indiana will be sharing after. Bring the women and daughters in your family. Sign up on the foyer bulletin board soon with the number coming to help with preparations.

Coffee & Conversation Is Back

Glen Rhodes & Sam Miller are going to start Coffee & Conversations up again in May. This will be held on the 2nd & 4th Thursday afternoons of each month from 3-5 pm at RoseLen's Coffee & Delights in Arthur. Come out, grab a snack or drink and share in fellowship & conversation with other AMCer's during this informal time.

Move Up Sunday - Moved to June

The Discipling Commission & Ministry Team have decided to change when children and youth will move up to their next grade for Christian Ed.. VBS has recently made this change as well. In the past this had taken place in Sept, but starting this year we will begin making that transition in June. High School Seniors will still be encouraged to join youth activities through the summer months as well. If you have any questions please talk to Sam Miller (Youth) or Rhonda Rhodes (Primary).

Sam Miller Ordination - June 1st

We are excited to announce the ordination of our Minister of Youth & Family Life, Sam Miller by LMC: A Fellowship of Anabaptist Churches on Sunday, June 1, 2025 during our morning worship service. LMC District Bishop John Nissley will be joining us for this service. Plan to be here for this special time of affirming the call of Sam and blessing his ministry. We will be having our normal First Sunday fellowship meal that Sunday and we expect some family and friends from Indiana to be joining us.

Upcoming Events in May

- May 4: First Sunday Fellowship Meal Youth Event with Guest Speaker
- May 10: Mother's Day/Ladies Banquet
- May 11: Mother's Day at AMC
- May 18: AMC Grad Recognition Sunday ALAH Baccalaureate service Youth Gathering at 6:30pm

Thank you from AMC Youth

We truly appreciate everyone coming out to support us on Easter morning for the breakfast fundraiser. The end total was \$592. We are currently gearing up for ReGen and making decisions on next year's mission trip. Thanks for your help!

MAY REMINDERS

Fellowship Meal Helpers Next Sunday: Darrell & Janet G, Kevin & Michelle E, Ronnie, Renee, & Alex O

Pathfinders: Les & Marlene H. Legacy: Laura S. Homebuilders: Debby K. Care and Share: Carol Y, Delilah E, Sarah S, Lela R, & Phyllis K.

SWS Visitors this week: Levi & Gloria Yoder Nursery Today: Zeb & Kendra H. Next Sunday: Alexis H. & Evonda Y.