

*Sunday, January 3, 2010*



*“I will study your teachings and follow your footsteps. I will take pleasure in your laws and remember your words.”*

Psalm 119:15-16 (CEV)



**ARTHUR MENNONITE CHURCH**

*Discipling - Community Life - Outreach - Worship*  
*Spreading the light, peace, love and hope of Jesus Christ*

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# TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION

10:30 am Sunday January 3, 2010

We're glad you're here!

If you are a visitor or a newcomer this morning we would like to invite you back next Sunday and look forward to meeting each of you.

**Today's Worship Leader:** Nadine Miller

**Song Leader:** Lynn Marner     **Message:** Glen Rhodes

Prelude singing begins at 10:20

\*indicates those who are able may stand

## GATHERING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

\*Gathering Song: "It's About the Cross"

Welcome & Prayer

Congregational Information

\*Call To Worship: Blue #670 "We Worship You"

## PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD'S NAME

Scripture Reading: Joshua 1:6-9; Psalm 119:9-16

Children's Time

Child/Parent Dedication (Jillian Marner and parents Jeff & Jenni)

\* With voices He has given us:

Blue #614 "In the Bulb There is a Flower"

Blue #143 "Amazing Grace"

Screen "I Stand in Awe"

We worship God by presenting tithes & offerings

Intercessory Prayer: Lamar Miller

Song of Worship: "You're Not Alone" Erica Schrock

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Message: "Accept No Substitute" 1 Timothy 4

Prayer of Response

Song of Response: Brown #271 "Standing on the Promises"

## GOING FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

\* Sending Words and Prayer

\* Sending Song: "Now Go in Peace"

**Come forward for prayer following the service. A Pastor will be waiting at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you.**

**Go in the Peace of Christ!**

## OUR VISION AT ARTHUR MENNONITE

By 2012 as followers of Jesus Christ, Arthur Mennonite Church will be committed to holistic discipleship.

*Through our daily lives we will:*

**Honor God**, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit through **worship**.

**Build Relationships** with each other in our **community life**.

**Share Christ** and develop relationships through **outreach**.

**Grow in Christ**, following His example in God's Word through **discipling**.

To these purposes, the spiritual gifts, personal styles and calling of God's people will be valued and utilized and the participation of everyone will be encouraged.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

BEGINS AT 9:30 A.M.

**Children** Ages 2-5, Grades 1-6 Meet in the West basement.

Led by: Gloria Yoder, Rhonda Rhodes, Amy Diener, Karen Miller, Lyndora Miller, Lanora Gingerich, Marlene Helmuth, and Martha Otto

**Youth** (Grades 7-12) Meet at Youth House.

Led by Lamar & Nadine Miller

**Adult:**

- "Christ, The Fulfillment" Standard adult Mennonite Sunday School Lesson—Meets in Fellowship Hall
- "An Unexpected Sign" - Meets in Rooms 5 and 6 in East basement.

## MESSAGE NOTES



# Discipling Developing and Coordinating our Relationships

## **COMBINED CHRISTIAN ED. CLASSES**

Begin next  
Sunday

Beginning next Sunday we will be combining the adult and youth CE classes in the fellowship hall for a four-week lesson entitled “What is an Anabaptist Christian.” There will be time for teaching, discussion, questions, and of course coffee and fellowship. Plan to come next Sunday morning at 9:30 am and join us.

## **LIFE GROUPS**

New groups  
set to lift off

The New Life groups will start meeting sometime the



first couple weeks of January. If you signed up you most likely will be contacted by the leader of your group about date and time of the first meeting. If you do not receive a call please contact the leader of your group or Lynn Marner.

## **2010 BIBLE READING PLANS**

Available in  
foyer

Would you like to read through the Bible in 2010? Would you like a list of scriptures to use as a guide for reading God’s Word? You can pick up copies of a Bible reading plan on the table in the foyer.

## **LAST SUNDAY**

Attendance: Worship—120 / Christian Education—34

Offering: Total=\$2,728 / Budget Needs=\$3,033

Designated for Van=\$430 / Designated for Pews=\$80

## **REMINDERS**

Jan. Fellowship Meal: Ervin & Bernadine Yoder / Duane & Faye Oye / Roger & Jodi Kauffman

Homebuilders: No January Gathering

Visitor of the Week: Josephine Marner

Nursery Today: Joe & Lanora Gingerich

Nursery Next Sunday: Les & Marlene Helmuth

Meals on Wheels: Tues. Sarah / Wed. Alma / Thurs. Lela / Fri. Dee / Sat. Carol

## KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- ▶ LeAnne Tully retired from the State Bank of Arthur this week after 28 years of work there.
- ▶ John and Alta Yoder left for Florida this week, they will be there for four weeks.
- ▶ Kent and Donna McQuiston traveled to their Indiana home this week and will return to Arthur in late April.
- ▶ Esther Yoder is celebrating her 80th birthday on Thursday!

### THANK YOU!

Thank you Arthur Mennonite Church family for all the love and special prayers said for me and for that special prayer shawl!  
Janet Cerlock and family.  
(Bertha Yoder's daughter)

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Tues.—Kathy Yoder  
Thurs.—Esther Yoder

NO ANNIVERSARIES  
THIS WEEK



## Community Life Our Relationships with Each Other

### 1ST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Today!

Plan to stay and join us today after worship for the fellowship meal. Please stay even if you did not bring a dish. We will also be having a baby shower for Jillian Marner and her parents during the fellowship time today.

### YOUTH SUB SALES

Order your  
Super Bowl  
Subs now!

The youth have begun taking orders for those wonderful tasting subs made with sweet LaGondola



bread. Each sub is approximately 8 inches long, costs \$4.50 and is made with tender loving care by our youth group. There will be a table set up in the foyer the first two Sundays of January to take your orders or you can contact any youth. Lamar has challenged the youth to sell 1,000 subs this year. If they do he will **buzz his head** at the end.



# Outreach Our Relationships with the World

## **ECUADOR MISSION TRIP**

### Responses

The date for the trip to Ecuador has been set for July 23 thru August 1. If you have voiced interest in going or if you would like to go on this trip please let Glen Rhodes know soon.



## **MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK**

### Prayer Request

Pray that Mennonite Mission Network personnel may begin this year with renewed openness to the movement of Jesus' spirit that brings healing and hope to the world.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD

- ▶ Pray for the health care situation and debate.
- ▶ Pray for Wayne and Lois Hochstetler in England and Don and Jan Rheinheimer in Ecuador.
- ▶ Remember Iran and the demonstrations there.
- ▶ Lift up the Christians around the world who cannot worship God without the fear of being persecuted.
- ▶ Pray for peace in the life of families this coming year.



## YOUTH BEAT

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Christian Education Hour  
9:30 in the Youth House. A study on the book of James.

Today, January 3rd  
6:00pm Meet at the youth house for devotions & games.

Next Sunday, January 10th  
6:00pm Meet at the youth house for game night. Bring your favorite board game.



Camp Menno Haven at last years winter retreat.



## REMEMBERING IN PRAYER

- ▶ Michele Miller (On mission trip to Guatemala)
- ▶ Orva Helmuth Family (Orva passed away recently)
- ▶ Ryan Miller (Healing from having his wisdom teeth removed)
- ▶ Verba Miller (Lamar (Karen) Miller's mom had heart by-pass)
- ▶ LeAnne Tully (As she begins her retirement years)
- ▶ Sib Miller (Now in Rehab facility for her infected foot)
- ▶ Paul Ryherd and family (Faye Oye's brother, health concerns)
- ▶ Pray for a great 2010 with a renewed commitment to Christ.



## Worship Our Relationship with Jesus

### **NEW BULLETIN FORMAT** For 2010

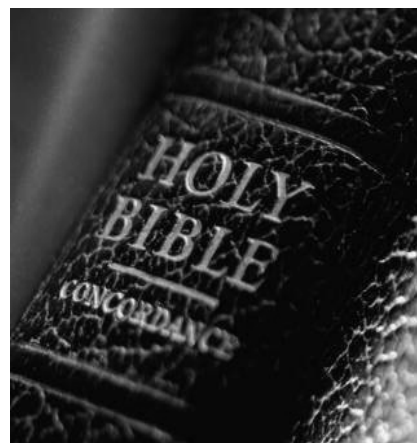
You probably noticed that the bulletin looks a bit different today. Most of the same information is included except it has a nice new look to it for the new year. We would appreciate your feedback about what you like and what you don't like. If you have any helpful comments or suggestions please see call or email the church office.

### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY** February 28

Mark your calendars now for an exciting Sunday that is being planned at Arthur Mennonite. The last Sunday in February will be designated Children's Sunday and the Holy Hands Puppet Ministry from Charleston, Illinois will be with us. More details to come!

## STAYING IN THE WORD THROUGH THE WEEK

Monday:	Genesis 10-12; Matthew 4
Tuesday:	Genesis 13-15; Matthew 5:1-26
Wednesday:	Genesis 16-17; Matthew 5:27-48
Thursday:	Genesis 18-19; Matthew 6:1-18
Friday:	Genesis 20-22; Matthew 6:19-34
Saturday:	Genesis 23-24; Matthew 7
Sunday:	Genesis 25-26; Matthew 8:1-17



# CHURCH CALENDAR

Today 11:30 Fellowship Meal & Baby Shower  
for Jillian Marner  
Tuesday, Jan. 5 7:00 pm Worship Commission Meeting  
Sunday, Jan. 10 9:30 am Christian Education for all Ages  
10:30 am Worship Celebration

## FUTURE EVENTS

Jan. 12 Arthur Home Worship Service  
Jan. 31 Christian Storyteller John Walsh at AMC  
Feb. 6 Cruise Night

### Snapshot of the Week



The Carrolls took a minute to pose for this great family photo during the holidays.

## JUST FOR FUN

The most pushups ever performed in one day was 46,001.



A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one Year and out the other.

*Be always at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let each new year find you a better man.*  
~ Benjamin Franklin

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