

*Sunday, July 3, 2011*

# Faith & Doubt

**Mark 9:14-29**



*“Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.”*

**Hebrews 11:1**



**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, July 3, 2011

We're glad you're here!

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

**Today's Worship Leader:** Willis Kuhns

**Song Leader:** Dee Kuhns

**Message:** Glen Rhodes

Prelude singing begins at 10:20

\*indicates those who are able may stand

## GATHERING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

\*Gathering: "Reign in Me"

Welcome & Congregational Information

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: Blue #710

## PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD'S NAME

Children's Time

\*With Voices He Has Given Us:

Blue # 6 "Here in this place"

Blue # 616 "Children of the heavenly Father"

Screen "Glorify thy Name"

We Worship God by Presenting Tithes & Offerings

Song of Worship: "Merciful Savior" Girls Ensemble

Intercessory Prayer: Jeff Marner

Scripture Reading: Galatians 5:22-26; Hebrews 11:1-7

Video: "Stepping out in faith"

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Message: "If you can? Believe!" Mark 9:14-29

Prayer of Response

\*Song of Response: Blue #327 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

## GOING FORTH IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

\*Sending Words & Prayer

\*Sending Song: "Bless'd be the tie that binds"

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

**Go and live in Confident Faith this week!**

## 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 1-5 West Basement

Led by: Gloria Yoder, Rhonda Rhodes, Lyndora Miller, Lanora Gingerich, Martha Otto, Marlene Helmuth, Karen Miller, Dee Kuhns, Kimberly Kauffman and Lelia Miller.

**Jr High:** Grades 6-8 Room 1 East Basement

Led by Cory Kauffman

**Youth:** Grades 9-12 at the Youth House

Led by Lamar and Nadine Miller

**Adult:**

▶ Group that meets in Fellowship Hall is at the Arthur Home this morning.

▶ A C.E. class with varying Rooms 5 & 6  
leaders and lessons

### PERSONAL WORSHIP NOTES

Use this space to write down things that encourage you, inspire you, or speak to you during the Worship Celebration!



# Discipling Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

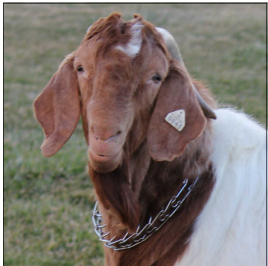
## **COMBINED CHRISTIAN ED.**

Next Sunday

Next Sunday Ravshon and Lisa Uraimov (Missionaries with Athletes in Action) will be sharing what God is doing in their ministry around the world during Christian Ed. Come and join us to stay in touch with how Jesus Christ is moving and touching lives in our world.

## **MUSTARD SEED PARABLE**

And Kiss  
The Goat?



The primary department is learning about the Parable of the Mustard seed and raising money for the Water Wells in Africa at the same time. Each class has been given funds and encouraged to creatively make those funds grow. As such, the 3rd-4th grade class are having a "Kiss the Goat" contest. You can "vote" for your favorite volunteer in the foyer by donating money in the appropriate container. The winner will Kiss the Goat on July 10th during the fellowship meal. Watch for ways you can support the other classes in this wonderful learning experience!

## **AMC JUNIOR HIGH**

Picnic at  
the Pond

The Jr High group will have a party and picnic at Bryan Yoder's pond next Sunday, July 10 at 5:00 pm. Parents are invited. You will be called about what you can bring.

## **YOUTH BEAT**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Today, July 3rd**

The youth are traveling to Bluffton today and then on to Pittsburgh tomorrow.

**Next Sunday, July 10th**

No Youth

**This Week**  
Please be in prayer  
for the youth and  
sponsors as they  
attend the MC/ USA  
Convention in PA.

**BRIDGES  
TO THE  
CROSS**

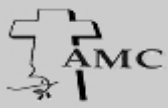
# KEEPING UP WITH AMC

- Kate Kauffman was the national champion in double mini and trampoline at Nationals in West Virginia last week.
- Check out the AMC website for links to the MCUSA convention. Glen Rhodes and Matt Lane leave for Pittsburgh tomorrow.
- Congratulations to the Homebuilders group on their volleyball win against the Pathfinders. They remain undefeated!
- There is no AMC Softball game today!
- Homebuilders will meet July 31st at Larry & Pat's along with the Youth.

## ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Wed. Ervin & Bernadine Yoder

## NO BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



# Community Life

Our Relationships with Each Other

## **JOHN WALSH AND GROUP** Next Sunday

Christian storyteller John Walsh will be with us again next Sunday, July 10. This time he is bringing his band "The Simple Praise Quartet" with him. John will share during the morning worship celebration and his music group will share a concert in the sanctuary following the fellowship meal.



## **JULY FELLOWSHIP MEAL** Next Sunday!

The Fellowship meal for July has been moved to next Sunday, July 10 to allow for more fellowship time with John Walsh and his music group and the Uraimovs. Spread the word.

## **NURSERY** Donation and Needs

Thank you to Cliff and Kathy Yoder who recently donated a crib to the AMC nursery. The nursery could also use a new toy kitchen set and a short/small bookcase. If you can help with these please see Lanora Gingerich.





# Outreach Our Relationships with the World

## **VISIONING GROUP FORMING**

Help Discern  
AMC's Vision

During the next five months our Vision Discernment Team will be meeting regularly to work on our new vision. We are looking for 5-8 individuals to form that group. Meetings will occur every other week initially then become less frequent as we get further into the year. If you are a baptized regular attendee who has interest in being involved in this way please contact Jeff Marner.



# Administration Developing & Coordinating our Relationships

## **MCC MEAT CANNING**

Offering



The fifth Sunday offering in July is going towards the local Mennonite Central Committee meat canning project. The funds are needed before then so the Administration Commission is designating July 10 for that offering at AMC instead of July 31. Please make note of this.

## **LAST SUNDAY**

### **Attendance:**

Worship Celebration: 142

Christian Education: 56

### **Offering:**

General Offering: \$3,976

Budget Needs: \$3,841

Year-to-Date Progress 100%

### **Other Offerings:**

Water Wells \$70

## **NURSERY**

Today: Joe & Lanora Gingerich

July 10: Kenny & Erica Schrock

## **REMINDERS**

### **July 10th Fellowship Meal:**

Jake & Maranna Chupp

Tim Mast

Christ Mast

Bertha Yoder

Carol Yoder

Les & Marlene Helmuth

### **Today's Arthur Home Service:**

Christian Ed. Fellowship Hall

### **Visitor of the Week:**

Maranna Chupp

### **July Homebuilders:**

Larry & Pat Yoder

## PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- ▶ Youth, sponsors, and those traveling to MCUSA convention
- ▶ Eliza Schrock (Was in Sarah Bush again this week)
- ▶ Verna Yoder (Is now at Mason Point)
- ▶ Bob Canull (Janice Yoder's daughter's father, rehab)
- ▶ Alissa Yoder and Kent & Donna McQuiston (Mission trips)
- ▶ Pray for the MCUSA convention this week in Pittsburgh
- ▶ Those in the Arthur Home (Rachel, Willis, and Fannie)



People stand on an abandoned tank in Libya

## PRAYERS FOR OUR WORLD

- ▶ Peace in Libya, areas of war in the world.
- ▶ Families affected by tornadoes and floods
- ▶ Missionaries Wayne and Lois Hochstetler
- ▶ IMC: Freeport Mennonite Church
- ▶ Riobamba Mennonite Church (Ecuador)



## Worship

Our Relationship with Jesus

### COMMUNITY CHOIRS

Adult and Children

A community worship night will be held August 7 at Vine Street Christian Church. A community choir will be practicing several numbers for the evening. If you are interested in being part of the choir, the first practice will be July 20 at 7 pm. A children's group will also be singing. This is for children ages 1st-8th grade and will be led by Kristen Nall. See Rhonda Rhodes to sign up.

### STAYING IN THE WORD THROUGH THE WEEK

#### Chronological Bible Readings

July 4	2 Kings 9-11
July 5	2 Kings 12-13; 2 Chronicles 24
July 6	2 Kings 14; 2 Chronicles 25
July 7	Jonah 1-4
July 8	2 Kings 15; 2 Chronicles 26
July 9	Isaiah 1-4
July 10	Isaiah 5-8



#### Bible Trivia

Where was Jesus arrested?

*Answer—  
Jesus was arrested  
in the Garden of  
Gethsemane.  
Matthew 26:36-56*

# CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	8:00 am	Ministry Team Mtg.
	9:30 am	Arthur Home Service— C.E. Fellowship Hall
	10:00 am	Youth Leave for Convention
	No AMC Softball Today	
Tues., July 5	All Day	WMSC Quilting
	10-2 pm	Everence at AMC
Sun., July 10	9:30 am	Combined Christian Education with Ravshon and Lisa Uraimov
	10:30 am	Worship Celebration with Christian Storyteller John Walsh
	Noon	Fellowship Meal / Kiss the Goat
	1:00 pm	The Simple Praise Quartet
	2:30 pm	AMC Softball in Bethany
	5:00 pm	Jr. High Picnic & Pond Party

## Snapshot of the Week

Care 'n Share traveled to Effingham last Sunday afternoon visiting "The Cross" and having lunch at Niemergs.



## JUST FOR FUN

*I've said it before and I'll say it again, I hate having to repeat myself.*

*You can catch more flies with honey than vinegar, assuming you want to catch flies.*



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