CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class: Teachers:

Adult Class: Winter Quarterly Bible Study "Jesus is Lord: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians," Facilitated by Craig Bumbalough

Call to worship

Leader: O God,

we come as a Fellowship seeking you in our worship together.

We come to you for truth

because we are sometimes untrue.

We come to you for strength because we are often weak. We come to you for wisdom because we are often unwise.

People: Move in our midst;

show us your truth, your strength, and your wisdom,

through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. AMEN

FOR PRAYER

Pray for Dana's mother Mary, that she would find hope and a renewed sense of God's presence with her as she faces serious illness. Pray also for Lonnie's mother Joy who is recovering from knee surgery.

Thank God for the Mennonite Church in Burkina Faso, a Mennonite Mission Network partner, as members begin to implement their three-year plan that includes the acquisition of land for new church buildings, evangelization programs, church planting, HIV/AIDS educational programs, and leadership training. Pray that God would provide the necessary resources.

Pray for those with ongoing health and wellness concerns including: Danny Parsons, Mickey Lewellyn, Hannah Ford, and others. Give thanks for where there have been signs of healing, and ask that God would give strength, patience, and comfort to these people and their families.



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

January 20, 2013

We welcome all persons to worship, study and fellowship with us as we continually seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus

Covenant Life: a long obedience in the same direction

Focus: As a community of faith we have committed ourselves to a covenant of faith. How do we sustain our life together in community?

Gathering to Worship

Gathering Song – Behold How Pleasant SJ 37 Welcome and Introductions Call to Worship *- back of the bulletin*

Singing our Faith

Come, walk with us SJ 2 Jesus Be the Center SS 31

Offering - Special giving for January goes to Mennonite Disaster Service How Can I Say SS 117

Hearing the Word

Children's Story Scripture: *Psalm 133*

Meditation: When kindred live together in unity

Song – Will You Let Me Be Your Servant H 307

Responses

Sharing Joys and Concerns / Prayer

Announcements

Sending

Ever-present God,
in Christ Jesus you never leave or forsake us.

Teach us to be faithful to your call,
to persevere in commitment to you and your church,
and beyond all else,
to know the strength and joy
of being near to you. AMEN

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OUR COVENANT

In covenanting together, we affirm that Jesus Christ is Lord. We gratefully acknowledge him as our Lord and accept his teaching as the way to live. We recognize the importance of:

- Regular Bible study, worship with others, and prayer as a vital part of our Christian life.
- Taking each other seriously, contributing our gifts and caring for one another in love to strengthen the Christian body.
- Living and sharing the Good News as Christ has taught us and as the Holy Spirit enables.

TODAY January 20, 2013 (worship at 9:30)

A Long obedience in the same direction

Worship Leader: Jim Beachy
Music Leader: Hanna Thill

Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman & Doris

Weaver

Greeter: Wendell Lantz & Doris Weaver

Nursery: Curtis Thill & Cristy Ford

A.V.: Larry Lehman

Visual: Evie Shellenberger

NEXT SUNDAY January 27, 2013 (worship at 9:30)

A Long obedience in the same direction

Worship Leader: Matt Pflederer Music Leader: Marlene Beachy

Meditation: Dave Brown-Kinloch & Mica

Beauregard

Greeters: Larry & Trish Moore

Nursery: Mary Beth Gibbons & Larry Moore

AV: Larry Lehman

TODAY

Our covenant includes aspects of how we relate to and care for one another in the Body of Christ. What helps you sustain your commitment to Christian community even when that is difficult?

All are welcome to stay for a fund-raiser meal provided by the High School SS class. Funds will go towards Logan's University expenses this semester. Thank you for your support!

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's focus is on how we persevere in our witness to/in society. What does that look like especially if it means living a different way and challenging the dominant values of society.

PMF Covenant Service, at 5:30 pm. This yearly service invites participants to publicly reflect on their relationship with God, others and PMF. We will begin the evening of reflection with a light meal together. PMF will not provide child care this year so parents are asked to make other arrangements for child care.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 6:30 pm – Large Group; come at 6:00 for a light meal together prior to the meeting. Child care will be provided. Agenda to include PET report, 2012 year-end financial report, 2013 Spending Plan, other reports.

Thursday 7:00 PM –Worship Committee

UP-COMING EVENTS

Feb. 2-3 – PMF Winter Retreat. Guest Rebecca Slough will work with us on the theme "Reflecting the Word: creative responses to scripture." Parts of the sessions will be interactive and intergenerational. There will be free time for games, music, and of course the annual variety show – bring your contribution! Registrations due to John Harrison today.

February 10, 17, & 24 – Orientation sessions for anyone interested in learning more about Mennonite faith, PMF and PMF's covenant. These will take place following Christian Ed hour & include a light meal, presentation, and discussion. Talk with a PET member if interested.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please submit Feb. meeting dates for the February calendar to the church office by Thurs. evening Jan. 24.

Please check the participant list on the Bulletin Board for corrections, additions, or subtractions. The updated 2013 copy will be distributed at the end of January.

In preparation for Large Group there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for food needed for our meal together. We appreciate your help in this. The Hospitality Committee

See the bulletin board for a letter & photo from Jason & Rhiannon Harrison; also the newsletter from MCC Great Lakes with the latest stories and meat canning schedule.

PMF is a member of the IN-MI Conference & Central District Conference of Mennonite Church USA. Each group will hold regional (in March) and annual (summer) meetings in 2013. If you have interest in attending any of these sessions as a delegate or visitor please let a member of PET know.

Contributions to the Mutual Aid Fund are welcome at this time in order to replenish the fund as the new year begins and to be ready to respond to needs in the congregation. Each gift makes a difference! Thank you for your generosity throughout 2012!