

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR**

### ***Class:***

Early Childhood (*Ages 0-3 years*)..... Parents  
Preschool (*Ages 4-5 years*)..... Joanna Woodsmall, Debbie Giles  
Primary (*Grades 2 & 3*)..... Veronika Sukup, Bonnie Beachy  
Middler (*Grades 4 & 5*) ..... Jim Beachy, Doris Weaver  
Junior High (*Grades 6, 7, & 8*)..... Dana Bumbalough, Matt Pflederer  
Youth (*Grades 9-12*)..... Evie Shellenberger

### ***Teachers:***

**Adult Class:** A discussion of *Making Friends among the Taliban* by Jonathan Larson will be led by Ted Larrison

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### ***Affirming Our Faith***

- ONE: To heal, guide, console – that is God’s doing on Pentecost. God looked at our ways and saw us wounded, lost, fearful.
- ALL: Now God is about to heal us.
- ONE: Wounds will close and stop hurting. Memories will not torment us.
- ALL: God wants to lead us.
- ONE: Our own ways lead in a circle back to ourselves. God’s ways lead us through happiness and unhappiness towards God.
- ALL: God wants to console us.
- ONE: When the meaninglessness of life scares us, God consoles. The one who is consoled has life with God. Nothing is destroyed, lost, or meaningless.
- ALL: How does God heal, guide, and console?
- ONE: There is a voice within us that says, prays, calls, screams: Papa! Father! That is the Holy Spirit. That is Pentecost.
- ALL: May the Holy Spirit continue to heal, guide, and console Erin, Patsy, Ryan, Sophie, and all of us.



# **PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP**

**May 19, 2013**

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

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**Pentecost**

**Graduation Sunday**

**Focus:** We celebrate our graduates and the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives.  
(Songs and scripture chosen by graduates)

### **Gathering to Worship**

Song: Your love is amazing  
Call to Worship – SS #190  
SJ #9 – Come, now is the time to worship  
Welcome and Introductions

### **Celebrating God’s grace**

You are Holy  
I Will Declare  
The Old Rugged Cross

Affirmation of Faith (*see back of bulletin*)

Offering: Special giving for May is for the college mutual aid fund

Celebrating Shalom: Dana and Wally

### **Hearing God’s Word**

Children’s Time  
Scripture: Luke 10: 29-37, John 3:16  
Luke 6: 46-49, Psalm 116

Reflections from our Graduates

Blessings/Affirmation

Prayer for the Graduates (*see insert*)

### **Sharing with one another**

Sharing Joys and Concerns / Prayer  
Announcements  
Sending Song: Amazing Grace

**PASTOR-ELDER TEAM**

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Matt Pflederer, Pastor (574) 606-6727  
Marlene Beachy 723-0737  
Mica Beauregard 723-4502  
Ted Larrison 723-3826

**MINISTERS**

All the congregation

**CHURCH OFFICE**

**Pastors:** Rebecca Kauffman; Office Hours - Tues 9-4, Wed 12-4, Thurs 1-5  
Matt Pflederer; Office Hours – Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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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.

<p><b>TODAY</b> <i>May 19, 2013 (worship at 9:30)</i></p> <p><b>Graduation Sunday</b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Lonnie Sears Music Leader: Hannah Thill Meditation: sharing by graduates Greeters: Larry &amp; Trish Moore Nursery: Joanna W. &amp; Mica Beauregard A.V.: Larry Lehman</p>	<p><b>NEXT SUNDAY</b> <i>May 26, 2013 (worship at 9:30)</i></p> <p><b>The Beatitudes</b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Matt Pflederer Music Leader: Joanna &amp; Dave Woodsmall Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman Greeter: Louise O’Connell Nursery: Luke Mosemann &amp; Dave Woodsmall AV: Larry Lehman</p>
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**TODAY**

Graduation is an important mile-marker in the lives of our young people. Today we celebrate this achievement with them. We pray for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit upon them on this day of Pentecost and as they move into the future.

Mentors and mentees, put on your special hats today and come to the Thills from 12:15 - 2:00 for lunch and fun together.

The Community Youth Group will meet here at PMF from 5:30-7:00 pm. Come for a time of worship, games and food.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

We will conclude our series on the beatitudes with “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake ...” (Matthew 5:10-12).

**THIS WEEK**

There will be no Large Group meeting this week.

**UPCOMING**

Tues. 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 am – Pastor-Elder Team

June 1-2 – PMF Vacation Bible School for children age 4 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact Veronika, Stori, or Deb G. if you’d like to help.

Church-wide meetings:

- \*June 7-9 – IN-MI Conference annual meeting
- \*June 20-22 – Central District Conference
- \*July 1-6 – Phoenix ’13 National Convention

Sept. 14-15 – First Mennonite Church of Indianapolis invites us to their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. Details to come.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Note new email address** for Julie Harrison:  
julie.burns.harrison@gmail.com

**Paoli HS commencement** is May 25, 3:00 pm.

Following the ceremony, you are invited to celebrate with the graduates!

Sophie – at the OC Community Center

Ryan – at Ryan’s house

Erin – at Erin’s house, 5-8 pm

Patsy will participate in the **Springs Valley HS** graduation on May 25, 6:00 pm.

PMF is searching for a participant who has interest in serving as our liaison to the

**Mennonite Creation Care Network.** This

position involves reading a quarterly e-newsletter and engaging in the ongoing conversation about ways to make the Church more environmentally sustainable. Please contact Dana if you are interested.

A new issue of *World Ark*, from Heifer International, is in the magazine rack for you to read or borrow.

PMF’s worship services during the summer season will be held from 9:30 to 11:00 am. The summer session will begin June 9.

**FOR PRAYER**

Pray for the Holy Spirit’s comfort and love to be with Luke and Karissa Kimmel as they grieve the death of their infant son, John Simeon, and give thanks for the short time they had with him.

Continue to pray for strength and healing for Marlene’s mother, Doris Bachman, who is dealing with head & neck pain.

Pray for Gail Brown as she travels to Indy to visit her son’s family May 24-28, and for JR that he would have good interactions in this time while Gail is away.

Pray for students who are anticipating graduation this spring, that they would have strength to finish strong, and as they make decisions about the future.

### **A congregational prayer for graduates**

Congregation: You have grown up here on the stories of God.  
We have told them to you, sung them to you, acted them out—  
hoping to teach them to you,  
and, in turn, with gratitude,  
listened to you tell them to us, sing them, act them out—  
teaching us in the process.

Parents: We have prayed for you more than you know—  
both in frequency and in urgency.  
Amidst our prayers, we give thanks for you continually.  
And today, we celebrate your achievement with pride in what you've done,  
and in who we see you becoming.

Congregation: We pray these stories will sustain you, encourage you,  
inspire you, transform you, and accompany you  
wherever you go, whatever you do—  
because these are the stories we believe.  
They are stories of tremendous surprise, of profound wonder, of deep joy,  
of God's truth and grace, God's love, and the redeeming of all creation.

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