

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

Early Childhood (Ages 0-3 years)..... Parents
Preschool (Ages 3-5 years)..... Evie Shellenberger, Stori Sullivan
Primary (Grades 1-3)..... Crystal Shellenberger, Darlene Larrison
Middler (Grades 4 & 5) Doris Weaver, Veronika Sukup
Junior High (Grades 6&7) Andrew Blount, Mary Beth Gibbons
Youth (Grades 8-12)..... Matt Pflederer

Teachers:

Adult Classes: The Bible as Story led by Bonnie Beachy.
"Jesus and the Scriptures" - Understanding Jesus in light of the Old Testament

For Prayer

Terry and Sarah express gratitude for the good family time they were able to have recently in Georgia. Terry began radiation this past Monday. Pray that they would experience peace and serenity as they enter this new stage of living with Terry's cancer.

Ask for the Holy Spirit's direction as we engage in discerning gifts to carry out the various ministries of PMF.

On this day when we celebrate Christ's ultimate victory over the power of sin and death, remember in prayer those who grieve the loss of a loved one, and those who are nearing the end of this life.

Pray for the leaders of Mennonite Church USA and our Conference Ministers, Dan Miller, Doug Kaufman, and Lois Kaufmann, as they provide leadership, vision, and encouragement.

Fellow Conference congregations to pray for this week: First Mennonite Church, Fort Wayne IN, First Mennonite Church, Indianapolis, IN and First Mennonite Church, Chicago, IL.

Melanie Quinn thanks God for the newly formed group of older girls who are taking responsibility for the younger children at the Mother Theresa Resource Centre in Botswana. Pray for resources to continue to feed 200 children each weekday and 350 on Saturdays.

PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



April 20, 2014

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

*Christ
is
Risen!*

Easter Sunday

Focus Statement:

Encountering God: what have we witnessed ...in Jesus' empty tomb?

We encounter God's triumphant power in Jesus' empty tomb. Mary Magdalene encountered the resurrected Jesus and shares the news with the disciples.

Prelude music:

Lord of the Dance

That Easter Morn At Break of Day - SS 88

Alleluia He is Coming

Christ We Do All Adore Thee - H 105

Encountering God

Call to Worship (see insert)

Welcome, introductions and prayer

Praising with Song

Low in the Grave He Lay - H 273

I Know that My Redeemer Lives - H 277

Alleluia No. 1

Opportunities for Generosity, Song - Thine Is the Glory - H 269

Special giving for April is for Hoosier Uplands Hospice

Confessing our faith (see insert)

What have we witnessed?

Celebrating Shalom – Wally

Children's Time

Scripture: John 20: 1-18

Meditation: There's something about Mary

Communion

Christ the Lord is Risen Today - H 280

Christ Has Arisen - H 267

Sent as witnesses

Sharing joys and concerns / prayer

Announcements

Sending song – Lift Your Glad Voices - H 275

Benediction

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

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Matt Pflederer, Pastor	(574) 606-6727
Mary Beth Gibbons	723-2723
Mica Beauregard	723-4502
Ted Larrison	723-3826

MINISTERS

All the congregation

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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

The Lord had risen! Today we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. So come let us celebrate through song, word and table the defeat of death and the beginning of abundant life!

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week, and for several future Sundays, our worship services will be led by small groups. We will utilize scripture passages that participants named as being formative for their own spiritual life and the life of the church. In preparation, read John 1, I Timothy 6: 6-8, and Matthew 6:5-15.

THIS WEEK

Wed. 23rd, meal at 6:00; Large Group meeting 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Agenda to include: reports from PET, Finance committee, Gift Discernment, and welcoming task force, review of changes to PLT job description.

Thurs. 24th, 7:00 pm – PET meeting at Matt’s house

Fri. Apr. 25, 7:00 pm - Sat. Apr. 26, 5:00 pm – Sexuality classes for girls in grades 5, 6, and 7.

UPCOMING

May 4 – with joy we stand with Hannah Thill as she will take another step of faith and be baptized upon confession of faith.

May 9-10 – Sexuality classes for boys in grades 5, 6, and 7. Detailed information on times, and what to bring will be provided later.

June 20-22 – You are invited to worship and fellowship during IN-MI Mennonite Conference Annual sessions. The theme is “Broken ... Beloved.” (Contact a PET member if interested in attending.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please make note of **Matt’s new phone** number: 812-653-4131.

New in the magazine rack: *A Common Place* magazine from MCC featuring stories from Chad and Gaza.

Sign up sheets for **summer camp** are located on the bulletin board. If your child plans on attending one of the camps at Camp Amigo or Camp Friedenswald, please sign them up as soon as possible. If you have any questions please contact Stori.

The Prevent Child Abuse Orange County Vigil is Friday, April 25, 2014, at the Orleans Square.

Please join us at 5:00 for food & fun, essay contest winner presentation at 5:30, Guest Speaker Ian McMillan at 5:45, and the Orleans Elementary Choir at 6:00. Remember your lawn chairs or blankets!

Anyone wanting a **CD recording** of the sharing and listening meetings regarding homosexuality should contact Stori Sullivan.

TODAY April 20, 2014 (worship at 10:00)

Encountering God: What have we witnessed?

Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman
 Music Leader: Marlene Beachy
 Meditation: Matt Pflederer
 Greeters: Larry Lehman
 Nursery: Louise O’Connell/Jim Beachy
 A.V.: Craig Bumbalough

NEXT SUNDAY April 27, 2014 (worship at 9:30)

God’s Word that Feeds and Leads Us.

Worship Leader: Debby Heinz
 Music Leader: Keith Gibbons
 Meditation: Matt, Jim and Keith
 Greeter: Dave and Marlene Beachy
 Nursery: Craig Bumbalough/Sandi Sears
 AV: Craig Bumbalough

Call to worship

Leader: Come all you disciples who yesterday were weeping;
let us rejoice, for the tomb has been found empty.
People: **Jesus is risen from the grave!**
Leader: Let us sing glad songs of joy and victory on this Easter day.
People: **Our Lord is risen from the grave!**
Leader: Let us stand in awe at what the Almighty God has done.
People: **Jesus the Savior is not dead. He lives forevermore!**
Leader: Share the good news: Christ is risen!
People: **The Lord is risen indeed!**
All: Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

Confession of faith – based on Acts 10: 34-43 and Psalm 118:14, 23

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.
We believe in God who is Lord of all.
We have heard God's message spoken by Jesus of Nazareth,
whom God anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power.
We are witnesses: how Jesus went about doing good
and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.
We are witnesses to all that he did.
He was put to death by hanging on a tree;
but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,
not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses,
and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.
We accept his command to preach to the people and to testify
that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.
We affirm and proclaim what all the prophets testify about him:
that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes!

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