#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR**

Class:

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**

Continue to pray for the Whiteman family as Terry is at home receiving hospice care. Pray that God would grant them peace that is stronger than fear and hope that extends beyond sorrow. May there be times this week to share good memories as they look towards the milestone of their 32 anniversary this Friday.

Pray for teachers and students as the school year nears its end: for life-giving learning, for healthy relationships, and for energy and discipline to finish well.

Fellow Conference congregations to pray for this week: Grace Chapel, Saginaw MI, Grand Marais Mennonite Church, Grand Marais MI, and First Mennonite Church, Urbana IL.

Mary Raber, based at Odessa Theological Seminary in Ukraine, helps train church leaders. Pray that Christians may lead the way to peace in their neighborhoods and in the country, and for constructive dialogue rather than military violence.

### Formative Scriptures from this week's Small Group

Exodus 20: 1-17

Psalm 139

Isaiah 40: 30-31

Matthew 5: 1-12; 6: 7-13 (c.f. Luke 11: 1-4); 20: 1-16; 22: 34-40 (c.f. Mark 12: 28-34; Luke 10: 25-28;

Romans 13: 8-10); 25: 31-46

The gospel accounts of Peter's denial of Jesus – Mark 14: 66-72; Mathew 26: 69 – 75; Luke 22: 54-62; John

18: 15-27

Luke 10: 25-37

Romans 12

1 Corinthians 15: 50-58

Ephesians 4: 1-16; 4: 29-32

2 Timothy 1: 7

The Apostle's Creed

# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



# May 11, 2014

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

## God's Word that Feeds and Leads Us

Focus: Our love for God guides our relationships and the way we live.

#### **WE LOVE GOD**

Prelude

Welcome and introductions Call to worship – Isaiah 40: 28-31

> Praise, praise, praise the Lord – SJ #11 Love the Lord your God – SS #55 Santo / Holy – SJ #15

Confession of Faith – from Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18, 23-24 (see insert)

Celebrating Shalom – Yolanda Yoder

Opportunities for generosity

Special giving in May goes to PMF College Mutual Aid Fund

Scripture: Deut. 5: 1-2, 6-21; 6: 4-7 and Matthew 22: 34-40 Reflection on the text – Andrew

## WE LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS

Children's Time – Ephesians 4:29-32

Scripture: Luke 10: 25-37

Reflection on the text - Wendell

How can I say – SS #117 Whatsoever you do – SS #52

Responding
Sharing joys and concerns / prayer
Announcements

Praise God from whom all blessings flow – H #118
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

## **CHURCH OFFICE**

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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** May 11, 2014 (worship at 9:30)

#### God's Word that Feeds and Leads Us

Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman

Music Leader: Andrew Blount

Meditation: Andrew Blount/Wendell Lantz

Greeters: Jim and Bonnie Beachy

Nursery: Dave Woodsmall / Mica

Beauregard

A.V.: Larry Lehman

# **NEXT SUNDAY** May 18, 2014 (worship at 9:30)

#### God's Word that Feeds and Leads Us

Worship Leader: Ted Larrison

Music Leader: Marlene Beachy

Meditation: small group members

Greeter: Louise O'Connell

Nursery: Luke Mosemann/Joanna Woodsmall

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# **TODAY**

The small group leading worship today noticed that many of the formative scriptures they named connect with the theme of the Greatest Commandment.

# **NEXT SUNDAY**

Our worship service will be led by another small group who will share some of the passages that have been formative for them. Together we will sing and hear the salvation story! The fourth small group will share formative scriptures on June 1.

# **THIS WEEK**

Tues. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 pm – Circle of Care coordinators meeting at PMF

Wed. 14, Elf Night. The "Welcoming" Task Force is inviting all participants of PMF to attend this ELF Night to listen to one another. We understand that there are fears, concerns and reservations about PMF's discernment process concerning becoming a "welcoming congregation". Even the word "welcoming" has its own ambiguities. Meal 5:30pm to 6:15 and meeting 6:15 to 7:45; child care will be provided.

Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> – PET meeting

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> – come lend a hand at our Spring Work Day.

### **UPCOMING**

May 25 – Graduation Sunday

Save the Date! June 13-14 – PMF's Vacation Bible School

June 20-22 – You are invited to worship and fellowship during IN-MI Mennonite Conference Annual sessions in Goshen, IN. The theme is "Broken ... Beloved."

June 26-28 – Central District Conference annual meeting in Madison, WI. The theme,

Transformed Through Text and Table, will be the focus of the time together for worship, story telling, and fellowship. (Contact a PET member if interested in attending.)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**New in the magazine rack:** May issue of *The Mennonite* and Bluffton magazines.

Registration for **Rooted and Grounded**: A Conference on Land and Christian Discipleship, September 18-20, is now open. Proposals for paper presentations and/or workshops are accepted until June 1. (See www.ambs.edu, for details).

Mentors, come with your mentee to Mosemann's cabin on Saturday, May 17 from 4:30 -9:00. Activities include supper, watching 'The Fellowship of the Ring' and a hobbit related activity or two. Please RSVP by Thurs., May 15 to Doris by email or a phone call to 723-2841.

Please let Deb Giles know if you would be interested in subscribing to the daily devotional **periodical** *Rejoice*. The cost is \$26.95 per person.

Desserts needed: **Backpacks of Blessings** is hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, May 17, 2014. Our second annual chicken barbecue is scheduled for 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. at the O.C. Community Building. We are in need of cakes, pies, cobblers, etc. to sell as part of the dinner. The desserts will need to be dropped off at the community building between 12:00 - 4:00, on the day of the event. We can also use special desserts for our auction that happens during the dinner. If you can help, please let me know. Thank you! Mary Beth.

**Summer Campout** will be at Tipsaw Lake on August 23–24. Be sure to put the dates in your calendar. Details will be coming soon.

# Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18, 23, 24

(Congregation reads bold font.)

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

# All:

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

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