CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

Teachers:

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

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

Call to Worship

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who creates all things.

People: For the gift of creation, we give thanks

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One committed to us through a love that never ends.

People: For the gift of reconciliation, we give you thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One who continually seeks us by the Spirit.

People: For the gift of your presence, we give thanks.

Leader: We bring to you the offerings of our thanks and praise.

All: We gather to Worship you--our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen

For Prayer

Continue to pray for the Whiteman family as Terry is at home receiving hospice care. Give thanks that he is experiencing some days of renewed strength, and is feeling more positive and able to enjoy short walks and visits.

Praise God and celebrate with the 35 students who graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN on May 24. Graduates represent 6 countries.

Remember Seth Giles in prayer as he is recovering from having his toe amputated. Pray that he would be able to move towards healing and wholeness.

Fellow Conference congregations to pray for this week: Holdeman Mennonite Church, Wakarusa IN, Hopewell Mennonite Church, Kouts IN, and Grace Mennonite Church, Constantine MI.

Pray for Wes and Deb Bergen (MMN workers) as they teach and minister in other ways on the campus of the Good News Theological College and Seminary in Ghana.

PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



May 25, 2014

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

Graduation Sunday

Gathering to Worship

You've Got a Place at the Welcome Table - SJ 4 There is More Love Somewhere - SJ 109 Welcome and introductions Call to worship (see back)

Singing Our Faith

God of the Bible - SJ 27 New Earth, Heavens New - H 299 In the Bulb There Is a Flower - H 614

Celebrating Shalom – Andrew Blount

Opportunities for generosity Special giving in May goes to PMF College Mutual Aid Fund

Hearing God's Word

Children Time Scripture Meditation Reflection from Graduate Blessings/Affirmation Prayer for the Graduate (see insert)

Sharing with one another

Sharing Joy and Concerns/Prayer Announcements Sending Song We Are Marching in the Light of God

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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.

<u>TODAY</u> May 25, 2014 (worship at 9:30)	NEXT SUNDAY June 1, 2014 (worship at 9:30)
Graduation Sunday	The Word that Feeds and Leads Us
Worship Leader: Lonnie Sears	Worship Leader: Evie Shellenberger
Music Leader: Sandi Sears	Music Leader: Mary Mininger
Meditation: Hannah Thill & Matt Pflederer	Meditation: Small Group Members
Greeters: Wendell Lantz/Doris Weaver	Greeter: Mishelle Lewellyn
Nursery: Julie Harrison /Andrew Blount	Nursery: Cynthia Parsons/ Veronika Sukup
A.V.: Larry Lehman	AV: Craig Bumbalough

TODAY

Graduation Sunday! We will be hearing from and blessing our High School Graduate, Hannah Thill.

4:00 – 8:00 pm – Mentor-mentee pairs are invited to come to the Moore home to watch part 2 of "Lord of the Rings."

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>

We will conclude our series of sharing scriptures that "lead and feed us." Another small group will lead our worship in the style of Taize, including sharing the Bible passages that have been formative in their life and the life of the church.

THIS WEEK

May 29, 7:00 pm, PET meeting

May 30, 1:00, Throop Elementary, 6th grade completion ceremony.

May 31, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm Paoli High School Graduation

You are all invited to attend **Hannah Thill's** graduation reception on Saturday May 31, from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Yoder/Thill home.

UPCOMING

June 13-14 – PMF's Vacation Bible School. Children age 4 through grade 5 (and their parents) are invited to come to PMF on Fri. 3:30 – 7:30 pm, and Sat. 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. We will be "Digging for Treasure"! If weather permits there will be swimming and a cookout option on Sat. 2 – 5:00 pm.

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.)

Shalom Sunday, June 29 will be at the Butternut shelter at Spring Mill State Park. Worship will begin at 11:00 am followed by a pitch in meal. There will be a bike riding group leaving that morning at 8:00 am for those who are interested.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New in the magazine rack: *Courier* magazine from Mennonite World Conference.

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.

Come join **Darlene and Ted Larrison as they** celebrate 50 years of marriage on Saturday June 21, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm here at PMF.

Our **summer worship** schedule will begin on June 8. Christian education for children and adults will continue through June 1.

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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