

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

Early Childhood (<i>Ages 0-3 years</i>).....	Parents
Preschool (<i>Ages 3-5 years</i>).....	Evie Shellenberger, Patsy H, Crescencia N
Primary (<i>Grades 1-3</i>).....	Veronika Sukup & Andrew Blount
Middler (<i>Grades 4, 5, & 6</i>).....	Jim Beachy & Marlene Beachy
Junior High (<i>Grades 7&8</i>).....	Jamie Sullivan, Aaron Johnson, Bonnie B.
Youth (<i>Grades 9-12</i>).....	Matt Pflederer

Teachers:

Adult Classes: When Helping Hurts, led by Lonnie Sears

Affirmation of Faith

God calls us to be followers of Christ,
and, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace,
so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

FOR PRAYER

Pray for the staff and ministry of Amigo Centre (where PMF children attend summer camp) as it helps campers and guest groups connect with God, Creation, and others. Give thanks that repairs have been completed following a "flood" in the Retreat Center in early August caused by a water line break. Pray that God would renew the strength of weary staff following a busy season.

Pray for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, including Steve and Diane Babcock and their family, Leslie W., and Sarah W., and others.

Pray for those who need to feel the healing touch of Jesus – in their spirit, body, or emotions. Ask that God would give us faith to carry our friends and neighbors to Jesus, and to walk with people through times of illness.

The Mennonite Voluntary Service program welcomed nearly 50 participants to neighborhoods in the US this fall. Pray that they will grow in their own faith as they learn to live simply in unit households, worship in local congregations, and work in new communities.

Fellow Conference congregations to pray for this week: True Vine Tabernacle, Elkhart IN, Valparaiso Mennonite Church, Valparaiso IN, and Asian Mennonite Community Church, Lombard IL.



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

October 12, 2014

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

“Where O death, is thy sting?”

Focus: During times of illness, death, and grief being supported by our fellow believers can feel like being tenderly brought into the presence of Jesus.

Gathering to Worship

Special Music
Welcome and Introductions
Introduction of worship series
Call to worship – Psalm 103:1-18 (see H 822)

Singing our Faith

How Can I Say - SS 117
When From The Darkness - SJ 102
Our Darkness - SJ 101
Come To Me, Come to Us - SS 60

Celebrating Shalom – Milton Borntrager

Opportunities for Generosity: Special giving for October goes to Congo Orphanage

Hearing and Experiencing God's Word

Children's Time
Scripture: Mark 2:1-12
Meditation

Affirmation of Faith (see back of bulletin)

Responses

Sharing joys and concerns / intercessory prayer

Announcements

Closing Song: Will You Let Me Be Your Servant - H 307

Benediction

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

Rebecca Kauffman, Pastor	653-4140
Matt Pflederer, Pastor	653-4131
Mary Beth Gibbons	723-2723
Ted Larrison	723-3826

MINISTERS

All the congregation

CHURCH OFFICE

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

TODAY October 12, 2014 (worship at 9:30) <i>“Where, O death, is thy sting?”</i> Worship Leader: Ted Larrison Music Leader: Sandi Sears Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman Greeters: Louise O’ Connell Nursery: Dana Bumbalough/Jamey Sullivan A.V.: Craig Bumbalough	NEXT SUNDAY Oct. 19, 2014 (worship at 9:30) <i>“Where, O death, is thy sting?”</i> Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman Music Leader: Marlene Beachy Meditation: Rebecca and Matt Greeters: Wally & Evie Shellenberger Nursery: Wally Shellenberger/Bonnie Beachy AV: Craig Bumbalough
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TODAY

Today our focus is on the role of Christian community in times of illness. We as a Fellowship are learning how to create an “unbroken circle of care” around people facing illness, death, and grief. These are common human experiences, and our faith should shape how we respond to these circumstances and seasons of life. For the next several weeks, our worship times will include scriptures, songs, reflections and actions which will equip our hearts and hands to respond in caring, faith-filled ways to illness, death, and grief.

MYF Activity: We will have lunch and then go up to the hill to help do some yard work for Sherry and Duane Schmidt.

NEXT SUNDAY

As we continue our worship series on illness, death and grief we will explore the theme of "Lament." Lament is often the result of the disconnect we feel when who God is and promises to be, does not match up with our reality. The scriptures themselves give space and examples of crying out and complaining against God when we feel this disconnect. Our service will include an opportunity to write your own lament.

THIS WEEK

Wed. 15th – Small Groups

Thurs. 16th, 1:00 pm - PET meeting at Mary Beth’s house

UPCOMING

Save the NEW date! Sat. Oct. 25 – **PMF Fall Work Day!**

Sun. Oct. 26, noon – 2:00 pm – Mentor-Mentee Pumpkin Day. Bring a pumpkin food to share with the group for lunch and then carve a jack-o-lantern to fit your mood.

Mon. November 3rd – PMF will host several people from Armenia who are part of our Foods Resource Bank network. We will meet at PMF for a meal at 6:00 pm, followed by a time to learn about Armenia and our FRB involvements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New email address for Carolyn Brinegar: crlynbrngr@yahoo.com

The Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale was a success – thank you to the many volunteers and generous givers! \$497,000 was raised during the Relief Sale. The quilt auction raised \$113,000, up about \$5,000 from last year. Penny Power's total was \$144,000 including a \$90,000 matching gift. The Silent Auction raised around \$28,000.

New in magazine rack: October issue of *The Mennonite*; *The Marketplace* from Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA); and *Behind the Hammer* with stories from MDS (Mennonite Disaster Service).

Thank you from Tim & Jan Whiteman: Please accept the enclosed donation in memory of Terry Whiteman. We cannot thank you enough for all the love and support which you have given to Terry and Sarah during Terry's recent illness and death. You are a shining example of Christ's love working through others. A special thanks to Pastor Matt for leading Terry's memorial service. Blessings.

