

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

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

Teachers:

Adult Class: Returning veterans, returning hope: Seeking peace together

Call to Authenticity

Leader: Faithful God, we want to mature in faith.
**Congregation: But what does that really mean?
And what will we have to give up?**
Leader: We wonder what transformation requires of us,
our congregation, our denomination.
Congregation: We're afraid you'll ask too much.
Silence
Leader: We want to be your people.
**Congregation: Make us willing receivers of a covenant
knit right into the center of our being.**

Call to Commitment

Leader: God turns things upside down and inside out,
writing a new way of being into our very DNA.
**Congregation: God, we will watch and wait
for your new thing to bear fruit within and among us.**

For Prayer

Remember Evie in prayer today as she participates in an event of listening, confession and lament at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Pray for Spirit-Wisdom to anoint her as she speaks. Pray that the meetings will be a step toward healing and hope for all who have been hurt by John Howard Yoder's abusive behavior.

Give thanks for the ways many people in our community are seeking to work together to address needs in our community. Pray for the Holy Spirit to direct and bless the spirit of cooperation.

PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



March 22, 2015

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

Lent 5

God's Determination

First Look

Gathering Song: Will you come and follow me – SS 39
Candle-lighting, welcome and introductions
Scripture: Jeremiah 31: 31-34
Call to authenticity (see back of bulletin)
Unless a grain of wheat
Create in me a clean heart
Hungry

Upside Down and Inside Out

Call to grace (from Psalm 51)
Celebrating Shalom – Yolanda Yoder
Opportunities for Generosity - Special giving for March goes to the food pantry.
Heart and mind, possessions, Lord – H 392
Children's time
Meditation
Fill us with your feast

Second Look

Reader's theatre
Scripture: Jeremiah 31: 31-34
Responses
Sharing joy and concerns / intercessory prayer
Announcements
Call to commitment (see back of bulletin)
Benediction

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

Rebecca Kauffman, Pastor 653-4140
Matt Pflederer, Pastor 653-4131
Mary Beth Gibbons 723-2723
Ted Larrison 723-3826
Lonnie Sears 723-0722

MINISTERS

All the congregation

CHURCH OFFICE

Pastors: Rebecca Kauffman; Office Hours - Tues 9-4, Wed 9-1, Thurs 1-5
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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

We hear the voice of the mighty prophet Jeremiah. Jeremiah proclaims that God will make a new covenant with his people. A covenant they cannot break without cutting out part of themselves.

NEXT SUNDAY

Shalom Sunday – beginning at 11:00 am with welcome and song. We will celebrate Palm Sunday with music, readings, and a special skit.

Plan to stay following worship on March 29, to enjoy and contribute to Logan Parsons' fund-raising lunch. Logan will be going to Swaziland, Africa, in May to help build an orphanage for several girls. He wants to raise about \$1000 to pay for his transportation and lodging expenses. Come, enjoy some African food and learn about Logan's plans while in Swaziland.

Following lunch – information and planning meeting for parents of MYF students regarding upcoming sexuality classes.

THIS WEEK

Wed. 25th, noon – all are invited to come for noon prayers at the PMF building

UPCOMING

April 2, 6:00 pm – during this “Holy Week” come for our **Maundy Thursday** service to remember Jesus’ last meal with his friends. The service will include communion and foot-washing.

April 3, 7:00 pm – Community **Good Friday** service, hosted by Paoli Friends Church. All are invited to this service with readings based on the “stations of the cross.”

April 8 – ELF night – 5:30 meal, 6:30 congregational meeting

April 22 – date for next Large Group meeting.

June 3 & 5 – PMF Vacation Bible School, 10 am to 3 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In response to ongoing needs, PMF will be collecting items for **MCC relief and hygiene kits** for one more week. See salmon-colored flier for a list of needed items, as well as other ways you can contribute to MCC’s relief and peace-building work. Monetary gifts can be given online or through PMF.

Please claim your **“Lost & Found”** item(s) from the table in the Library. Thank you, trustees.

A **Grief Support Group**, facilitated by a chaplain from Southern Care Hospice, takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, at 1:00 pm at the Paoli Christian Church. Anyone is welcome. Consider letting your friends know.

New in magazine rack: March issue of *The Mennonite*

New on the bulletin board: See the thank you note from Howard & Judy Detweiler.

PRAYERS CONTINUED

Pray for the fruits of the Spirit to be evident in our life together at PMF. Pray for wisdom in the gifts discernment process, for our conversations about how we relate to one another and newcomers, and for the work of the Transition Team.

Pray for Max Villatoro and his family as he faces deportation. Max is the pastor at Torre Fuerte Iglesia Menonita (Strong Fortress Mennonite Church) in Iowa City, Iowa. Pray for state legislators and immigration officials, that they may have compassion on Max and the Villatoro family.

<u>TODAY</u> Mar. 22, 2015 (worship at 9:30) <i>Upside Down and Inside Out</i> Worship Leader: Veronika Sukup Music Leader: Marlene Beachy Meditation: Matt Pflederer Greeters: Veronika Sukup Nursery: Evie Shellenberger/Dessica Albertson A.V.: Jamey Sullivan	<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> Mar. 29, 2015 (worship at 11:00) <i>Palm Sunday - Shalom Sunday</i> Worship Leader: Music Leader: Meditation: Greeters: Nursery: AV:
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