

## 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, &amp; 6</i> ).....	Jim Beachy & Marlene Beachy
Junior High ( <i>Grades 7&amp;8</i> ).....	Jamey Sullivan, Aaron Johnson, Bonnie B.
Youth ( <i>Grades 9-12</i> ).....	Matt Pflederer

### **Teachers:**

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

### For Prayer

Please pray that Christ will be present with Milton Borntreger and his siblings as they mourn the loss of their brother Lee, who died on Thursday April 9. May God give them strength and comfort as they grieve and remember.

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.

Join in giving thanks with Parkview Mennonite Church in Kokomo, IN (one of our sister churches), as they celebrate the installation of Kelly Bates Oglesby as their new lead pastor today. Pray for God's blessing on Kelly, the other members of the pastoral team, and the congregation as they grow and minister together in their community.

April is Child Abuse Prevention month. "Merciful Lord, our hearts break as we recognize the suffering and death of innocent children. Bring healing to those who have survived violence, abuse, and neglect. Comfort those who have lost their precious little ones. Give us vision and courage to see and do what we can to protect children in our congregation and community. Amen." (prayer from Dove's Nest)

Last month, John Adeta Tetteh was installed as the national moderator of the Ghana Mennonite Church. Tetteh requests prayer for wisdom so the Church can grow spiritually as well as numerically.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

**New in magazine rack:** April issue of *The Mennonite*; spring issue of *A Common Place* from MCC

**New on the bulletin board:** Invitation from Parkview Mennonite Church to the installation service for their new lead pastor, Kelly Bates Oglesby. Parkview is in Kokomo and is one of our sister congregations.

Also on the bulletin board, announcement for the **Orange County Habitat for Humanity Annual Celebration Dinner**.

**Mennonite World Conference's** global assembly will be held July 21-26 in Harrisburg, PA. If you are considering attending – now is the time to register! See [www.mwc-cmm.org/PA2015](http://www.mwc-cmm.org/PA2015) for more details.



# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

**April 12, 2015**

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

## **Symbols that Shape and Sustain Faith**

### **Gathering to Worship**

Gathering Song: Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! – H 272  
Call to Worship  
Welcome and introductions

### **Singing Our Faith**

Wonders of wonders – H 622  
Psalm 139: 13-17  
Child of blessing – H 620  
Mark 10: 13-16  
Jesus, friend so kind and gentle – H 621

Celebrating Shalom – Wally Shellenberger

Recognition of special days for April

Opportunities for Generosity - Special giving for April goes to Habitat for Humanity

### **Hearing and Experiencing God's Word**

Children's Time  
Child and Parent Dedication  
Lord we bring to you our children – SJ 90  
Lord of the home – H 490  
Scripture: Luke 2: 22-35, 39-40  
Meditation  
Responses

### **Going in Faith**

Sharing joy and concerns / intercessory prayer  
Announcements  
Sending Song: Jesus loves me, this I know  
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  
 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.

<b>TODAY</b> April 12, 2015 (worship at 9:30 am)	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b> April 19, 2015 (worship at 9:30)
<b><i>Dedicating Ourselves to God</i></b>	<b><i>Confession</i></b>
Worship Leader: Matt Pflederer	Worship Leader:
Music Leader: Marlene Beachy	Music Leader: Marlene Beachy
Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman	Meditation: Matt Pflederer
Greeters: Gail Brown	Greeters: Deb Giles
Nursery: Wendell Lantz/Stori Sullivan	Nursery: Louise O’Connell/Jim Beachy
A.V.: Larry Lehman	AV: Jamie Sullivan

**TODAY**

The act of dedicating a child to God is a symbolic act that helps form the faith of parent, child, and faith community. Today we join the Kinsey, Johnson, and Albertson families in dedicating and blessing their children.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

We will look at the act of Confession. Confession is the practice of truth-telling. It acknowledges the realities about ourselves and the world. As such, it becomes the act of bringing to light those things that have been hidden and skewed in our common life in order to "live in the light" of God goodness and desires for justice in our relationships.

MYF activity; Pitch in lunch following church and painting names on the JH classroom walls.

**THIS WEEK**

Wed. April 15, Small Groups.

**UPCOMING**

April 22, 6:30 – 8:00 pm – Large Group meeting. Come for a light meal at 6:00. Agenda to include PET report, finance report.

April 29 and May 3, ELF Nights led by the music committee. More details later.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The 2015 **Celebrate MCC Great Lakes** Annual Gathering will take place Sun., May 3, 5:30 pm at Silverwood MC in Goshen. Guest speakers Deb & Jim Fine, recently returned from service in Iraq will share from their experiences. See poster on bulletin board; an RSVP is requested.

**Everence Financial** will present an **informational webinar, *Understanding long-term care insurance***, on Thursday, April 23, at 4 p.m. or 8 p.m. (EDT). Financial Advisor Craig Foor, CLU®, ChFC®, CASL® will discuss how you can cover the high cost of long-term care – without wiping out your life savings. He’ll also talk about ensuring quality of care and maintaining your independence. You’ll get the information you need to make informed decisions. There will be time for your questions. To participate, contact your church’s Everence Advocate or Melissa Short at Everence: (800) 222-5054 ext. 3392 or [melissa.short@everence.com](mailto:melissa.short@everence.com)

**Cherish the Children Celebration:** please join Prevent Child Abuse Orange County on Friday, April 24, 2015, at 5:00 for our annual gathering to recognize the importance of our children! The event will be held at the Paoli Community Park. We'll have food and fun, essay contest winners, and a skit by the Orange County Players! We are very fortunate this year to have Terry Hall as our guest speaker.

*\*We need a few dozen cookies as refreshments, please contact Mary Beth if you can bake some!*

**IN-MI Mennonite Women** will hold their annual Spring Gathering at Walnut Hill MC in Goshen on Sat. May 2, 8:30 am – noon. Four sisters will share on the theme “Singing as we go”; see bulletin board.