

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

Early Childhood (Ages 0-3 years)..... Parents
Primary (Ages 3- 1st) Crystal Shellenberger & Stori Sullivan
Middler (Grades 2nd – 5th) Veronika Sukup & Bonnie Beachy
Junior High (Grades 6, 7 & 8) Andrew Blount & Darlene Larrison
Youth (Grades 9-12)..... Evie Shellenberger & Phil Minerger

Teachers:

Adult Class: Dig In – 13 Scriptures to help us know the way .

Call to Worship

Leader: With thankful hearts,
we gather to worship,
We give thanks for God's steadfast love,
turning parched lands into springs of water.
Today we eagerly wait for God to satisfy the thirsty
and to fill the hungry with good things

**ALL: Lord of life, all, our longings are known to you;
send our roots rain;
refresh us and make us whole.**

Sending

May the God whose love endures forever
satisfy our thirst
and fill us with good things.
May God's love overflow into every barren place
and bring new life

For Prayer

Pray for God's grace and strength to surround Duane and Sherry as they continue to live day to day.

Be in prayer for our Pastor-Elder Team and participants as we listen for the Holy Spirit's guidance for our life together.

Give thanks for the IN-MI Mennonite Women retreat taking place this weekend at Camp Amigo in Michigan. Pray for the speaker and all participants as they explore the theme "Growing (up) together in Christ". Attendees from PMF are Doris, Evie, and Hannah, Madeline, and Summer Ford.

Pray for those who are struggling with pain or health concerns.

Give thanks for Gideon's, Wycliffe, Mennonite Mission Network, and other agencies who are working to translate and make the Bible accessible to many people.



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

October 11, 2015

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

Send our roots rain

Thanksgiving: give thanks to the Lord...For he satisfies the thirsty (Psalm 107:1,9)

Gathering to Worship

Gathering Song: I saw a tree by the riverside – SS 116
Welcome and Introductions
Call to Worship: (see back of bulletin)

Singing:

The love of God – SJ 44
Taste and see – SJ 86
Hallelujah Your love is amazing

Recognizing Birthdays and Anniversaries

Celebrating Shalom – Bill Pickens

Offering: Opportunities for Generosity: Special Giving for October is for the Congo Orphanage and hygiene and school kits.

Special Offering: Gideon's International

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time
Memory Passage: Psalm 100
Scripture: Psalm 107
Meditation

Responding

Silent Reflection and Prayer for the Week
Other responses
Sharing our joys and concerns /Intercessory Prayer

Sending

Announcements
Water Blessing
Song: Rain down – SJ 49

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

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Mary Beth Gibbons 723-2723
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Lonnie Sears 723-0722

MINISTERS

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.

<p>TODAY Oct. 11, 2015 (worship at 9:30 am)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Send our roots rain</i></p> <p>Worship Leader: Milton Borntreger Music Leader: Keith Gibbons Meditation Rebecca Kauffman Greeters: Louise & Jim O’Connell Nursery: JoAnn Borntreger/Evie Shellenberger A.V.: Jamie Sullivan</p>	<p>NEXT SUNDAY Oct 18, 2015 (worship at 9:30 am)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Service of Scripture and Song</i></p> <p>Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman Music Leader: Marlene Beachy Meditation Scripture Reflections Greeters: Lonnie & Sandi Sears Nursery: Becky Johnson/Crescencia Nunez AV: Larry Lehman</p>
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TODAY

Giving thanks to God is a significant part of many psalms. When you read Psalm 107, what key words and patterns do you notice? Can you identify with any of the "characters"? How is God's nature depicted? What might we learn by making thankfulness to God an essential part of our spiritual practice?

NEXT SUNDAY

God has been "sending our roots rain" as we prayed with the psalms over the past six weeks. The Gospel stories of Jesus also water our spiritual roots and help us grow in Christ-likeness. For the next two Sundays we will dig into stories of people's encounter with Jesus.

Sunday, Oct 18th, MYF Clean up at Connie Gilliom’s and Schmidt’s. 1 – 4 pm.

THIS WEEK

Wed. 14th, 6:00 – 8 pm – ELF Night – Join in fellowship over a meal together. Then Karla Minter (former PMF participant, currently with MMN) will lead us in an interactive time of scripture reading. What ways of reading and presentation help the Bible stories come alive for you? All ages welcome, with special activities for the younger children. We will EAT good food, LEARN ways to enhance scripture presentation for worship, and have FUN being creative together! Hosted by Worship Committee.

UPCOMING

Saturday, Oct. 24 – PMF fall workday – many hands are needed to clear leaves, clean, and do other projects in order to care for and maintain our physical property. Come help! -Trustees

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Winter Retreat - PET would like your ideas for a theme and speaker for our retreat at Mt. St.

Francis on February 6 & 7, 2016. Contact Mary Beth, or anyone on PET with your suggestions. Thank you!

Children’s Choir opportunity! [Mennonite Youth Choir Festival](#) would like to invite children in grades 3-9 to join in a weekend of singing, March 5 - 6, 2016, in Goshen, Indiana. The church has a long and deep tradition of praising God through singing. In order for this to continue it is up to parents and the faith community around them to encourage their children with opportunities that develop a love for music in worship. Youth of all denominations are encouraged to participate. Early registration is Nov. 1 - \$35. See poster on MYF bulletin board for details.

The High School Sunday School class wants to support the many refugees by putting together **Hygiene and School kits**. They would like to collect several hundred kits in the next six weeks to send to MCC for distribution. Please check your mailbox for more information. Thanks! Evie

I would like to report that our Saturday **workday with Habitat** was very productive! We probably set a record for most volunteers on site in one day. PMF had 15 on site and counting all those helping with food it was over 20. Bonds Chapel also had over 20 people. In four Saturdays, the house is under roof and dried in! Thank you also to Erik, Austin & Devon Thone and Scott & Jack Boswell who worked in previous Saturdays. Thank you also to those who participate through financial giving toward building materials. Thank you, phil m.

New In the magazine rack: CPT and behind the hammer mag.

New in on the bulletin board: MAH News and Notes.