

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

### **Class:**

Early Childhood (Ages 0-3 years).....	Parents
Primary (Ages 3- 1st) .....	Crystal Shellenberger & Stori Sullivan
Middler (Grades 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 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:** “Ten Things They Never Told Me About Jesus” – Book study

### Prayers

Pray for members of Mennonite Church USA's "Constituency Leaders Council" (CLC) as they meet this week in Goshen. This group is made up of representatives from each conference across the US, as well as reps from constituency groups such as Hispanic Mennonite Council, Mennonite Women, African-American Mennonite Association, etc. Pray for wisdom as CLC continue to discern the "elder" function of CLC, and other items given to them by delegates at the Kansas City convention last year.

Remember Liliann W. in prayer as she continues to wait and work for full healing of her leg. Pray for others you know who have health concerns.

Pray for people affected by violence - in Paoli, in Hesston, KS, and Kalamazoo, MI; in other places around our country, in many places around the world. Pray for people who feel that violence is their only way to solve a problem or ease a pain. Pray that creative non-violent solutions would be learned and practiced in our homes, schools, communities, and governments.

### Announcements Continued

This Saturday, **Rebecca and Jim will attend the IN-MI Conference** southern region meeting, hosted by Howard-Miami MC in Kokomo. Pray for all the delegates and staff (including Mary M.) as we engage in worship and conversation about our life together and shared practices as a conference. Give thanks for the ministries of Central District Conference as well.

**Note:** Be aware that the church's fax machine is no longer able to receive faxes, though it can still send a fax.

**Howard-Miami Mennonite Church in Kokomo, IN** will host pastor Randy Detweiler as he shares about his experience with an MCC Learning Tour to Israel/Palestine; March 20, at 4:00 pm with a light supper to follow. Contact the PMF office if you'd like more information.

# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



**March 6, 2016**

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

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### **Living Ink: “A Story of Extravagant Devotion”**

Lent 4

*Focus: God's story includes God's extravagant gift to us through Jesus. Our acts of extravagant devotion to Jesus become a fragrant gift to the world.*

#### **Gathering to Worship**

Gathering Song: Hallelujah, Your love is amazing  
Welcome and introductions  
Call to Worship

#### **Singing Our Faith**

This is a story full of love – H 315 (vs.1-4, 7)  
You are my all in all  
Fill us up with Your feast

#### **Confession/Words of assurance**

**Celebrating Shalom** – Wally Shellenberger

**Opportunities for Generosity** – Special giving for March is for the Food Pantry

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

Children's time  
Scripture: John 12:1-8; Philippians 3:4b-11  
Meditation

#### **Responding**

**Sharing our joys and concerns / Intercessory Prayer**

#### **Sending**

Announcements  
Song: Love the Lord your God – SS 55  
Benediction

**PASTOR-ELDER TEAM**

Rebecca Kauffman, Pastor 653-4140  
Mary Beth Gibbons 723-2723  
Yolanda Yoder 653-8627  
Lonnie Sears 723-0722

**MINISTERS**

All the congregation

**CHURCH OFFICE**

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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**

This year during Lent we are invited to see ourselves as living characters in the Living God's ongoing story. God's story grounds us in God's promises and actions of calling and redemption. Some of God's story is still being written - the ink is still wet. Today's story of Mary's act of extravagant devotion to Jesus challenges us to imitate her earnest discipleship and to deepen our love for Christ.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Next Sunday we are pleased to welcome Saulo Padilla, an immigrant and immigration consultant for Mennonite Central Committee, who will share with us his personal story of being an immigrant. We are asked to remember Jesus words, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me..."

**THIS WEEK**

Tues. Mar. 8, Worship Committee mtg. 7:00 pm

Everyone is invited to be involved in our **grant launching this Saturday March 12**. We will begin with a Guatemalan meal on Saturday evening, followed by an evening of music, dancing and games.

**UPCOMING**

March 24, 6:00 pm - **Maundy Thursday** service at PMF

March 25, 7:00 pm - **Community Good Friday** service at the Paoli HS Auditorium. This is an opportunity to worship with others and to hear the Good Friday story from Peter's perspective. An offering will be collected for Paoli Ministerial Association's benevolence fund which helps people in our community.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Everence Financial will conduct three interactive Webinars** in March that are open to all PMF participants:

- 1) **INVEST IN A BETTER WORLD**, Mar. 21 at 2:00 and 8:00 pm. Will discuss how your God given resources can be used to make a difference for good.
- 2) **BUDGET BASIC AND BEYOND**, Mar. 22 at 2:00 and 8:00 pm. Will discuss church budget ideas to include four basic church budget models.
- 3) **UNDERSTANING LONG TERM HEALTH INSURANCE**, Mar. 23, 2:00 and 8:00 pm. Will discuss how long term health insurance can help families cover the cost of long term care.

Those interested in participating in any of these Webinars should contact the local Everence Advocate, Wendell Lantz, for more information.

**Camp Amigo is hosting** Scrapbook, Crafting, and Sewing Retreats this Spring. They are also hosting two Mother-Daughter Retreats, one in April and one in December. For details on dates and costs etc. see brochures on the bulletin board.

Larry and Maxine Miller are known to PMFers from previous church trips to Mashulaville Mississippi. **The Mashulaville program is seeking donations to send community youth to summer camp** at Pine Lake Camp. Families pay the deposit but an additional \$120 is needed to support a camper for the week. Tax deductible contributions can be sent as a check made out to Mennonite Service Center, 105 Dormitory Drive, Macon, MS 39341.

<b><u>TODAY</u></b> March 6, 2016 (worship at 9:30)  <i>Living Ink</i>  Worship Leader: Aaron Johnson Music Leader: Sandi Sears Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman Greeters: Lonnie & Sandi Sears Nursery: Milton Borntinger/Louise O'Connell A.V.: Larry Lehman	<b><u>NEXT SUNDAY</u></b> March 13, 2016 (worship at 9:30)  <i>Stories of Immigration</i>  Worship Leader: Evie Shellenberger Music Leader: Joanna & Dave Woodsmall Meditation: Saulo Padilla Greeters: Wally & Evie Shellenberger Nursery: Yolanda Yoder/Keith Gibbons AV:
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