

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

### **Class:**

Early Childhood (Ages 0-4 years).....	Parents
Primary (Ages 5 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade) .....	Crystal Shellenberger & Stori Sullivan
Middler (Grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> ) .....	Jon Shellenberger, Aaron Johnson, Jim Beachy, Dave Woodsmall, & Doris Weaver
Junior High (Grades 6, 7 & 8) .....	Andrew Blount & Mary Beth Gibbons
Youth (Grades 9-12).....	Evie Shellenberger & Phil Mininger

**Adult Class:** Radical Hospitality: Responding to Immigration

### **Teachers:**

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### Call to Worship

Lord,  
in the glory of late summer  
we come to worship  
reveling in the beauty of your handiwork.  
Give us insight this morning  
into how the work of our hands  
is part of the work of your hands.  
We join with you in lifting the heavyhearted,  
comforting the sorrowful,  
and calming the anxious.  
Fill us with the joy of service this morning.  
We pray all these things in the name of Jesus  
Amen.

### Prayers

Give thanks to God for the life of Nic Allen. Pray that Christ's continued comfort, peace and strength would be with his wife Rosie, and children Will and Heather, as they grieve his death and remember his love.

Remember Milton Borntreger in prayer as he recuperates following knee replacement surgery last Wednesday. Pray for God's healing touch so that he might not have infections and regain strength quickly.

Pray for those affected by natural disasters in California, Louisiana, Florida, Italy, and elsewhere. May hope and generosity abound.



# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

**September 4, 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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### **Work and Vocation**

**Focus:** *The work of daily tasks as well as our unique vocations are shaped by and done in response to the love and call of God.*

#### **Gathering to Worship**

Song: Lord, You have come to the lakeshore – H 229

Welcome and introductions

Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

#### **Praising**

O blessed spring – SS 100

A workers prayer

Here to the house of God we come – SS 53

Take O take me as I am – SJ 81

#### **Celebration of birthdays and anniversaries**

**Celebrating Shalom** - Peter Dyck

**Opportunities for Generosity** – Special giving for September is for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), Offering ourselves in our work.

Song: Take my gifts

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

Children's time

Scripture: Genesis 2: 7,8,15 ; Ecclesiastes 2:24-25; 3: 9-15; Ephesians 2:8-10

Meditation

#### **Commissioning Sunday School Teachers**

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

**Announcements**

**Closing Song:** Let us talents and tongues employ – SS 123

## PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

Rebecca Kauffman, Pastor	653-4140
Darren Bender-Beauregard	723-5259
Doris Weaver	723-2841

## MINISTERS

All the congregation

## CHURCH OFFICE

**Pastor:** Rebecca Kauffman; Office Hours - Tues 9-4, Wed 9-1, Thurs 1-5  
**Director of Youth:** Evie Shellenberger; Office Hours: Thur. 9 – 1. Cell: 812-653-9703  
**Secretary:** Deb Giles; Office Hours – Wed. and Fri. 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
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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> Sept. 4, 2016 (worship at 9:30 am)	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b> Sept 11, 2016 (worship at 9:30 am)
<b><i>Work and Vocation</i></b>	<b><i>Work and Vocation</i></b>
Worship Leader: Jim Beachy	Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman
Music Leader: Marlene Beachy	Music Leader: Marlene Beachy
Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman	Meditation: Aaron Johnson
Greeters: Deb Giles	Greeters: Dave & Debbie Heinz
Nursery: Deb Giles/Lonnie Sears	Nursery: Yolanda Yoder/Bill Johnson
A.V.: Andrew Blount	AV: Andrew Blount

## TODAY

What is your attitude toward "work"? How does your Christian commitment relate to the various kinds of work you do? How does 'vocation' help give meaning to our days? As Christians, our vocation is a response to God's grace and call on our lives. In each stage of life we ask: "what is God calling me to now and in this place?"

A Celebration of Life service and plaque dedication in memory of Nic Allen, former PMF participant, will be held at PMF this afternoon at 2:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

## NEXT SUNDAY

What is the "work" / vocation of those who are children and young adults? Is it more than having a summer job or planning 'what I want to be when I grow up'? There is preparation for the future, but perhaps more importantly, the work of this life stage involves developing an identity and exploring the talents and interests God has gifted you with.

**Youth Council** will meet following Sunday school on September 11. A simple lunch will be provided. This is an important meeting as we look at plans for the year ahead.

## THIS WEEK

Tues., Sept. 6, PET mtg. 12:30 pm

## UPCOMING

Save the Date! Sat., October 1st is PMF's turn to help with the Orange Co Habitat for Humanity Apostle's Build. This year the house is being built in French Lick.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**New on Bulletin Board:** An evening with Mark Lowry and Stan Whitmire poster.

**New in magazine rack:** "today" magazine and September's issue of *The Mennonite*.

*The Mennonite* is the publication of Mennonite Church USA. Its purpose is to provide a forum for the voices within the denomination, to promote the ministries of Mennonite Church USA and to offer an additional voice distinct from but collaborative with other leadership voices. It is a monthly magazine. The group cost for a one year **subscription is \$37**. If you would be interested in subscribing let me know **no later than Sept. 9**. Your check should be made out to PMF. Thank you, Deb Giles.

It's time to start **Spanish classes** again! Classes are beginning on Sept. 11, at a new time from 5:00-6:15. Everyone who want to learn Spanish or refresh their current knowledge is welcome. We will start by seeing what we remember from Lessons 1-5 in the workbook.

All adults, youth and their parents who **are planning to go on the border trip** are strongly encouraged to attend a planning meeting on Wednesday, September 14. We will meet at 5 p.m. at Larry and Trish Moore's house. The evening includes swimming, a pitch in and important information about our up-coming trip.

**Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Summer Camp Out.** The participation of so many people made the weekend a success. Special thanks to the youth sponsors for assisting the youth in camping and to the Summer Camp-Out Committee, Darren, Donna and Jon, for their work!

Note Connie has a new phone number at her new apt; it is [812-723-8644](tel:812-723-8644). Her old number still reaches her when she is at the house.

**Penny Power offering** collected in our piñata was \$480.22. The money goes to Food Resouce Bank.

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