

## **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> – 5th*) .....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

### **Teachers:**

**Adult Class:** “Creation: A Divine Cycle”

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: In the midst of many distractions, we gather, longing for you.  
**All: Restore us, O God! We hunger.**  
Leader: In the midst of the temptation to live in fear, we gather, trusting you.  
**All: Restore us, O God! We hunger.**  
Leader: In the midst of challenges of daily living, we gather, craving our presence.  
**All: Restore us, O God! We hunger.**  
Leader: Come, worship the One who feeds our deepest hungers and sustains us with love.

### **Confession/Words of Assurance**

Leader: God of abundance, you give us all we need. We confess that, too often, we focus on what we don't have. We forget that it is you who truly sustains us. Forgive us. Satisfy us with your steadfast love, and help us to take refuge in remembering that what you provide is good. It is enough.

(Silence for confession.)

Leader: God abundant grace,

**All: Restore us.**

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad. Sing praises to the Lord! Taste and see that the Lord is good.

### **Prayers**

Remember Jim and Bonnie in prayer as they are in a time of transition preparing to move to Virginia.

Pray for Darren and Rebecca (PMF delegates), and Mary (conference staff) as they attend the regional meeting of IN-MI Conference this Saturday in Indianapolis. Pray for the Spirit's guidance in the conversations, discernment, and fellowship so that our journey walking with sister churches might be strengthened.

Pray for those who have health concerns, including: Nedra Sullivan, Danny Parsons, Connie Gilliom, Elaine Lowe's father, Ross.



# **PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP**

**March 5, 2017**

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

### **Restore Us O God! We Hunger.**

*Focus: As humans, we hunger for many things. God, our Provider, knows our deepest longings, offering both sustenance and deliverance from temptation.*

#### **We Gather to Worship**

Song: Come bring your burdens to God – SS 50

Welcome and Introductions

Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

#### **We Sing our Faith**

Fill us with your feast

Hungry

God fill me now – SS 63

#### **We Celebrate God's Gifts**

Celebrating Shalom – Crystal Shellenberger

Recognizing birthdays and anniversaries

Opportunities for Generosity – Special giving for March goes to the Food Pantry

Song: Jesus tempted in the desert – SS 36

#### **Confession/Words of assurance** (see back of bulletin)

Song: Taste and See – SJ 86

#### **We Hear God's Word**

Children's time

Scripture: Matthew 4: 1-11

Meditation

#### **We Respond and Share our Stories**

Lenten ritual

Song: You are all we have – SJ 29

Sharing Joys and concerns/intercessory prayer

#### **We are Sent in Love**

Announcements

Benediction

**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 am-3pm, Wed. 10 am-noon, Fri. 9 am-1pm  
**Director of Youth:** Evie Shellenberger; Office Hours: Thur. 9 – 1. Cell: 812-653-9703  
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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><b>TODAY</b> Mar. 5, 2017 (worship at 9:30 am)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Restore Us, O God</i></b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Veronika Sukup  Music Leader: Marlene Beachy  Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman  Greeters: Shanna &amp; Aaron Johnson  Nursery: Milton Borntreger/Louise O'Connell  A.V.:</p>	<p><b>NEXT SUNDAY</b> Mar. 12, 2017(worship at 9:30 am)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Restore Us, O God</i></b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Aaron Johnson  Music Leader: Marlene Beachy  Meditation:  Greeters: Wendell Lantz &amp; Doris Weaver  Nursery: Yolanda Yoder/Keith Gibbons  AV:</p>
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**TODAY**

The 40-day season of Lent mirrors Jesus' 40 days of fasting in the wilderness. What are you hungry for? Is there distraction, arrogance, misplaced ambition, or temptation in your life that you feel called to set aside? We are invited to draw closer to God and to seek to fill our hungers with the genuine "food" of life God offers.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Our desire for certainty and control in life is great. How might our Lenten journey teach us to be more comfortable with a life of wonder, curiosity, and mystery - with a life of faith? Read John 3:1-17 and Psalm 121, and consider how Jesus has engaged your doubts, wondering, and questions.

**THIS WEEK**

Fri. Mar. 10, 7:30 pm, PET mtg.

**UPCOMING**

March 15 - Large Group meeting. Meal – 6:00 pm, meeting – 6:30 pm.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Find **Gift Discernment response forms** in your mailboxes (and sent via email). Prayerfully consider how YOU would like to be involved (occasionally or regularly) in the ministries of PMF. If you have questions or would like assistance contact a member of Gift Discernment committee (Darlene, Wally, Deb, Rebecca). Please return the forms by Sunday, March 12.

The steering committee of **Backpacks of Blessings** is holding their annual Chicken Barbecue on Saturday, April 1, 2017, from 5-7:00 p.m. This year, we're selling tickets for \$10.00 in advance. The meal will include a 1/4 chicken, cheesy potatoes, beans, cole slaw, a drink and dessert(dine-in/carry out) Please see Mary Beth for tickets. And, let her know if you can make a cake or pie! Thank you!

**Louisville Bats game** is scheduled for Friday Night, June 9. Tickets are \$7 per person. If you would like to attend you may purchase your tickets from Deb Giles. Deadline to purchase tickets is March 31. This would be a great mentor/mentee activity.

**Coffee is always available** for purchase as an effort to support Mexican coffee growers and our PMF youth. If the coffee you like is available help yourself and leave \$10 per lb. in the basket provided. If you do not see what you want fill out an order form provided at the coffee table. Thank you for helping with this!

**New in magazine rack:** March issue of *the Mennonite*.