

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Class:

Early Childhood (*Ages 0-4 years*)Parents
Primary (*Ages 5 – 2nd grade*)Crystal Shellenberger & Stori Sullivan
Middler (*Grades 3rd – 5th*)Jon Shellenberger, Aaron Johnson,
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: Discussion of articles from “The Mennonite”.

Call to Worship

Leader: Father of us all, Mother of each one,
thank you for your love for us from the beginning of time.
People: *You formed us when we were in our mother's wombs,
you knit us together lovingly, your devotion to us has not failed,
your care has followed us our whole life long.*
Leader: All we are and all we have we owe to you,
and so, on this Sabbath Day, we devote this time to your glory,
People: *We honor you - who forms us and calls us each by name.
You are our God, known yet unknown,
unseen yet seen, present here, yet everywhere.*
All: **Gather us in to your steadfast love, your tender care, your abundant grace.
We pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.**

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Prayers

Pray for Peter and Delicia Wigginton who are serving in Ecuador through Mennonite Mission Network. Rejoice with them in the birth of Ariana Naomi, joining big sister Aliyah. Pray for the Spirit to guide and inspire them as they support the local churches, especially as local churches find ways to assist refugees who are arriving from Columbia, the Middle East, and Africa, as well as migrants from Venezuela.

Give thanks to God for the Spirit's provision and care for students throughout the course of their studies. Pray for our graduates, Logan, Sophie, ZoraAnn, and KC, as they begin a new chapter in their lives and careers.

Pray for denominational staff, common speakers, and worship leaders as they make preparations for the bi-annual Mennonite Church USA convention to be held in Orlando, July 4 – 8.



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

May 14, 2017

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

A Living Presence

Focus: Sometimes a focus on our own expectations and hopes prevents us from seeing what God is up to. God opens our eyes to greater sight through the ordinary and the mysterious things of life.

Gather to Worship

Song: Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Welcome and Introductions
Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

Singing our Faith

Like a mother who has borne us – SJ 91
Mothering God, who gave us birth – H 482
"From mother's arms, we see the world" - special by Shanna, Clark, Franklin,
and AdaRuth
Amazing Grace – H 143 (vs. 1)

Celebrating Shalom – Phil Mininger

Opportunities for Generosity – Special giving for May goes to Mennonite Mission Network - Peter & Delicia Wigginton.

Hearing God's Word

Children's time
Reading: Author unknown
Scripture: Luke 24: 28-35
Meditation: Susan Classen
Response song: Who has known the mind of Jesus? – SJ 58

Recognition of graduates

Song: The Lord lift you up – SJ 73

Sharing Joys and concerns/intercessory prayer

Announcements

Benediction - Song: We are people on a journey – SJ 8

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

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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.

TODAY May 14, 2017 (worship at 9:30 am) <i>A Living Presence</i> Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman Music Leader: Marlene Beachy Meditation: Susan Classen Greeters: Kara Schmidt Nursery: Crescencia Nunez/Stori Sullivan A.V.: Andrew Blount	NEXT SUNDAY May 21, 2017 (worship at 9:30 am) <i>A Living Presence</i> Worship Leader: Evie Shellenberger Music Leader: Marlene Beachy Meditation: Jorge Vielman Greeters: Lonnie & Sandi Sears Nursery: Deb Giles/Luke Mosemann AV: Andrew Blount
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TODAY

Even though Jesus was with the discouraged disciples on the road to Emmaus, they were unable to notice his nearness right away. What keeps us from seeing God walking with us? What opens our eyes?

Tonight all participants going on the Guatemala trip and all parents of youth going on the trip will meet from 6 - 7 p.m. for our final preparation meeting. Please let Evie know if you cannot attend the meeting.

NEXT SUNDAY

We are people on a journey! As we walk, we may find ourselves on holy ground, which is a gift from God. Read Exodus 3. Worship will include a blessing for those traveling to Guatemala.

We will be blessing the Detainee Kits and sending them to M.C.C. with Jorge Vielman who will be sharing in the meditation next Sunday. Thanks to all who contributed to make these kits available.

This Week

Wed. May 17, Small Groups

Fri. May 19 & Sat. May 20, Rebecca at Conf. mtg.

Upcoming

Summer Campout, Sat. Aug. 26 - Sun. Aug. 27 at Tipsaw Lake.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our FYI fundraising activity of selling Cafe Justo coffee will end June 1. We have sold 250 pounds of coffee which has both helped us in raising money for our Guatemala trip and has helped the coffee growers in Mexico make a decent living from the coffee they grow. Thank you to everyone who has participated in this

project. There is still coffee available for purchase.

PMF is currently collecting immigration Detainee Kits for Mennonite Central Committee. If you would like to contribute a kit please follow the instructions on the kit list (see bulletin board or www.mcc.org/gl-immigration-kits). Place your kit at the front of the sanctuary in the next couple of weeks.

An **AV workshop** will be held every Sunday in May at 8:30 AM. You may attend one or all. If you have any questions please see Andrew.

ZoraAnn Woodsmall invites all PMF participants to celebrate her graduation on May 20, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the PMF building. Come anytime between 4 and 6 to celebrate with her and her family.

We celebrate the educational achievements of five of our youth and young adults this spring. Clara Sears will be receiving a Ph.D in Epidemiology from the University of Louisville on May 12. Sophie Sears will be graduating from Goshen College with a degree in Biochemistry. Logan Parsons will be graduating from IUPUI on May 14 with a degree in Construction Engineering Management Technology. K.C. Warren and ZoraAnn Woodsmall are both graduating from PHS on May 20 after completing their high school education. Congratulations!

A search committee for the work of processing applications and discerning a person to serve as Pastor of Youth Formation, has been formed and is beginning its work. Persons on the search committee are Doris Weaver, Phil Mininger (chair), Evie Shellenberger, and Rebecca Kauffman. More information will be forthcoming. Please hold these persons and their collective work in your prayers over the coming weeks.