CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Shellenberger

Adult Class: PMF's history and leadership.

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus, you walk in our midst, but our eyes don't recognize you.

People: Open our eyes, Lord

Leader: We hear other people talking about seeing you, and we don't believe them.

People: Open our hearts, Lord.

Leader: We struggle to understand the mystery of your resurrection.

People: Open our minds, Lord.

All: May we see the signs, feel the Spirit, and proclaim the good news of Jesus

Christ. Let us be your disciples.

Meditation Notes

PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



April 22, 2018

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

You are Witnesses

Focus: What does it take to believe (in Jesus)?

Gathering to Worship

Gathering Song: Open my eyes Lord – SS 65 Welcome and Introductions
Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

Singing our Praise

Gravity of Love 10,000 Reasons Cornerstone

Celebrating Shalom – Phil Mininger

Opportunities for Generosity – Special giving for April goes to Habitat for Humanity. Song: My offering I bring to You.

Hearing God's Word

Children's time Scripture: Luke 24: 36-48; Mark 16: 14-18; John 20: 19-23 Meditation

Sharing joys & concerns/intercessory prayer

Announcements

Sending Song: Seeds

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 April 22, 2018 (worship at 9:30 am)	NEXT SUNDAY April 29, 2018 (worship at 11 am)
You are Witnesses	Shalom Sunday
Worship Leader: Veronika Sukup	Worship Leader:
Music Leader: Deb Giles	Music Leader:
Meditation: Aaron Johnson	Meditation:
Greeters: Gail Brown	Greeters:
Nursery: Crescencia Nunez/Stori Sullivan	Nursery:
A.V.: Noah Johnson	A.V.:

TODAY

Jesus wanted to equip the disciples to continue his work. He did that by teaching as well as by letting them touch him. How has your experience of Jesus' presence equipped you for ministry?

NEXT SUNDAY

April 29 - **Shalom Sunday.** We will begin at 11:00 am. Our focus will be Earth Day. How do we care for God's earth and creatures? We will have a pitch-in meal following activities, (no desserts, cake and ice cream will be provided). Please stay following Shalom to celebrate **Connie Gilliom's 80**th **birthday**. We will enjoy cake and sing some of Connie's favorite hymns with her.

THIS WEEK

Mon. Apr. 23, PET mtg. 7 pm

UPCOMING

May 9, Large Group mtg. Meal: 6 pm, mtg.: 6:30 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ELF NIGHT FOLLOW-UP: If you were unable to attend the Elf night on April 11, you can still complete the end of life forms in your box and put them in Gail Brown's box. If you have any questions let Gail know.

Save the date! Rooted & Grounded: A Conference on Land & Christian Discipleship, Sept 27-29, 2018 at AMBS in Elkhart. Imagine and embody alternative ways of relating to the land that cultivate *shalom*. This event will weave together worship, theology, biblical study and praxis. See ambs.edu/rootedandgrounded for details.

New in the magazine rack: A Common Place.

A faith and baptism exploration class will meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30-7:45, beginning today and for the following 3 weeks. The class will be geared to youth; six youth plan to participate. Please hold them in prayer as we explore faith from a Mennonite perspective together. If you are an adult who would like to consider baptism please contact Rebecca.

Prayers

Pray for Ervin Stutzman, who will end his term as executive director of Mennonite Church USA on April 30. Give thanks to God for Ervin's grace, humility, dedication, and deep love for Christ's Church as he has led with a servant's heart over many years. Pray he may experience a season of renewal and rest.

Pray for God's healing touch and strength to be upon those in our families and community who are living with cancer.

The Mennonites in Tanzania have been praying for the Mennonites in the USA! The churches in both countries have been seeking unity in the midst of different traditions and beliefs. Last summer, IN-MI conference received an invitation to visit Tanzania, to explore relationship and partnership building. Pray for Dan Miller, conference pastor, and Paula Killough, moderator, as they travel this Wed to Tanzania for a 2-week visit. May the Spirit of God guide their steps and interactions so we can learn from our sisters and brothers.