APRIL 6, 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

LENT 2025 40 DAYS OF PRAYER & RENEWAL

40 YEARS OF WANDERING



By 2027, Arthur Mennonite Church will become a community of children and adults who build deeper relationships with each other. <u>AMC's VISION</u> <u>NURTURE THE</u> FUTURE CHURCH We will guide our children to learn God's Word and know Jesus personally. Opportunities for the spiritual growth of all ages will be provided as we boldly share God's love to the world.

Welcome to AMC!

Are you a first time guest? We're glad you're here! Nursery is available for children ages 5 and under. Buddy bags for older children are available in the foyer at the back of the sanctuary.



Les Helmuth: Administration Nadine Miller: Worship

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CHRISTIAN ED. CLASSES 9:30 A.M. EACH SUNDAY

ADULTS - FELLOWSHIP HALL Costly Sacrifice

PRIMARY KIDS (AGE 2—GRADE 5) WEST BASEMENT (Gospel Light)

JR HIGH YOUTH (Grades 6-8) AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (Grades 9-12) AT YOUTH HOUSE (1 Samuel)

ASK ABOUT LIFE GROUPS! JOIN ONE AND GET CONNECTED!

AMC YOUTH GROUP INFO. JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Youth CE at 9:30am on Sunday mornings at the Youth House. Come and see what God is doing in our midst. Be a part of growth!

Easter Breakfast - April 20th

The AMC Youth will be hosting an Easter Breakfast fundraiser in the fellowship hall on April 20th from 8:00-9:15am. Thank you to all youth parents who signed up to provide items for the breakfast!

Upcoming: ReGen Youth Conference happening July 3-7. You won't want to miss this! See Sam for sign up sheet or more info.

TODAY'S MESSAGE "The Wanderers" Deuteronomy 8:1-11 Pastor Glen Rhodes, Minister of Discipling

Today's Worship Service

Join us on-site or live stream on Facebook or YouTube starting at 10:25am

Songs of Praise and Worship

Sing Wherever I Go Come Thou Fount (BR2) *Call To Worship *Blessed Be Your Name *He Leadeth Me (BR461) *Be Still & Know

Welcome, Announcements, & Prayer

Children's Time

Tithes & Offerings Prayer

Scripture Readings Acts 7:30-36 | James 1:2-5

Prayers of Confession, Repentance & Intercession

Message

Prayer of Response

CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Esther Yoder Family (passed away on Mar. 31)
- John Yoder (healing/fall, at Arthur Home)
- Karen Litteral (broken leg, surgery, healing)
- Maranna Chupp (brother, John, passed away)
- Edna Gingerich (moved Eb. Village Rm. 115)
- Gary Martin's family (passed way on Mar. 21)
- Jamison & Cheyanne Miller (newborn)
- Luke & Katie Miller (newborn)
- Kendall Burdick (broken foot, healing)
- Peter Kauffman (still waiting on prosthetic)
- Sharon Binion (cancer, healing)
- Lela R, Ed & Edna G, Josephine M. (Eb. Vill.)
- Molly Appleby (cancer, healing)
- Jill & Ken Bunker (health, healing)

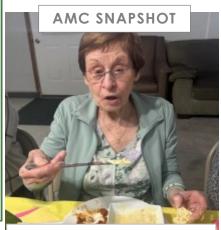
LAST SUNDAY

Attendance Worship Celebration 109 C.E. Classes 47

Offering Total Offering - Mar 30 \$5,663 *5th Sunday Offering designated for MCC Meat Canning

2025 Weekly Budget Need - \$6,433

Tithes & Offerings can be placed in the boxes at the back of the Sanctuary or online through the church app/website.



At the Care and Share mystery supper last week, Phyllis Kauffman had to eat her soup with a knife. Sounds challenging!

NATION & WORLD

- Those affected by recent storms
- Persecuted Christians & world revival
- Myanmar & Asia (earthquake)
- AMC supported Missionaries Prknovi, Glenn, Birkey, all others
- Families, Marriages, Youth & Children
- Wars in Israel, Gaza, Lebanon, Syria
- War between Russia & Ukraine (Peace)

PRAYER REQUESTS

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEDNESDAY 8:30am: Ladies' Breakfast 4-7pm: Esther Yoder's Visitation at AMC 7pm: Explore Life Group

THURSDAY 10am: Memorial Service for Esther Yoder at AMC NEXT SUNDAY Palm Sunday Hosanna To the King! 9:30am: C.E. Classes 10:30am: Worship

Baby Dedications Next Sunday

We are excited to have two Baby Dedications next Sunday during our worship service! Join us as we dedicate Boone Miller, son of Jamison and Cheyanne, and Elliana Miller, daughter of Luke & Katie. We continue to pray for these newborns and their families.

MCC Responding to Asia Earthquake

In the wake of the magnitude 7.7 earthquake that struck Myanmar, Mennonite Central Committee will be responding with local partners to provide cash assistance for immediate medical needs, food, and water. Donate today to provide emergency relief to families in need at mcc.org/myanmar

Arrangements for Esther Yoder

Esther Yoder, a beloved member of our church family for many years passed away at the Arthur Home on Monday, March 31. A visitation will be held this Wednesday evening (April 9) from 4-7 pm here at the church. A memorial service will be held Thursday morning (April 10) at 10:00 am here at the church. Keep this family in prayer.

Gary Martin's Passing

As was shared last Sunday during worship, former AMC Interim Pastor Gary Martin passed away suddenly at his home of natural causes on Friday, March 21. Gary was the Interim Pastor here at AMC from 2000-2003 and led our church through a very difficult but transforming time. He introduced our current church structure & encouraged us to work together in the Lord's work. AMC will be sending \$200 to Mennonite Central Committee in his memory. Please pray for his wife Pat and their family during this time.

Easter Tulips Sign Up

We will be adorning the sanctuary with tulips in a variety of colors for Easter Sunday. A sign up sheet is



on the bulletin board. You are welcome to dedicate your tulips in memory of a loved one. Tulips are \$12 each. All orders are due by Sunday, April 13.

Join Us For These Events in April!

We invite you and your family to join us for these special events this month. Watch for more details to come soon.

April 13: Palm Sunday at AMC Children waving palms

April 18: Community Good Friday Service at Arthur United Methodist Church from 12-1pm. Glen Rhodes & John Stewart sharing reflections.

April 20: Community Easter Sunrise Service at First Apostolic Church at 6:30am. Message by Bob Silvanik.

Easter Breakfast Fundraiser & CE By AMC Youth in fellowship hall from 8am to 9:15am. CE classes at 9:30am.

AMC Easter Sunday: Worship Celebration will begin at 10:25am

APRIL REMINDERS

Fellowship Meal Helpers Today: Larry & Dory K, Ed Yoder Family, Larry M & April C

Pathfinders: Ed & Joanna Y. Legacy: Bob & Cari P. Homebuilders: TBD Care and Share: Jake & Maranna C, Henry & Amanda C, Bertha Y.

SWS Visitor this week: Vera Yoder Nursery Today: Jory & Natalie B. Next Sunday: Michael & Brittnay Y.