If you need to contact someone for pastoral care or for emergencies, call Melody Rupley on her cell phone (717-669-6496). Please add this number to your church directory. In addition, feel free to phone the church office (717-859-1488) on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and Rebecca Pereverzoff can assist or put you in touch with other AMC staff.

GIVING & BUDGET Giving for General Fund	<u>Last Week</u> \$7,447	<u>Weekly Budget</u> \$9,712	
Year-to-date General Fund	<u>Actual</u> \$229,840	<u>Budget</u> \$281,635	
January-December 2016: \$505,000		Attendance Last Sunday: 180	

Church office hours are Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm Church Office: (717) 859-1488 | 1311 Diamond Street | Akron, PA 17501

## AKRON MENNONITE CHURCH

July 24, 2016

9:00 am **GATHERING/PRAISING** 

Gathering music Deb Sprunger

Chime and Lighting of the Christ candle

Words of welcome

Call to worship

What is this place HWB 1 (blue) HWB 55 (blue)

Cantemos al Señor (Let's sing unto the Lord)

**HEARING GOD'S WORD** 

Come and see HWB 20 (blue) Children's Time Sandra Richard Wood

Children ages 2-4 are dismissed for preschool church in Room 16 with Linda Frey, Jim Shenk & Anna Nancarvis

Scripture 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 (ICB) Mary Martin You Decide: Who's In, Who's Out JW Sprunger Sermon

**RESPONDING** 

HWB 307 (blue) Will you let me be your servant

Communion

Offertory Prayer

Offering and Offertory Deb Sprunger

Prayers of the people **Jeanette Bontrager** 

Introduction of guests

Announcements

**SENDING** 

As we gather at your table insert

Benediction

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Patricia Martin Song Leader Worship Leader Jeanette Bontrager

**Scripture next week:** Luke 10: 25-37; MYF DOOR report

# **PLEASE JOIN US (10:15 - 10:40)**

Everyone is welcome to participate in coffee/tea fellowship following the worship service. Guests, please sign the guest book in the foyer next to the Welcome Desk.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & DISCIPLESHIP HOUR CLASSES (10:40 - 11:35)

#### Adults

*Stories that Heal and Shape Us* (Room 10): Tonya Wenger will share from her life journey. Jean Buchen, Facilitator. Women young and old are invited to attend.

**Focus on Mission** (Sanctuary): Richard Sarker will give an update on the Conscience International for Bangladesh project. Susan Blessing, Facilitator.

*Koinonia* class is on summer break and will reconvene in September.

### For Our Children & Youth

Taught by members of the church who graciously volunteer their time, see below for locations

Nursery age - - - - - - - - Nursery Ages 2 - 4 - - - - - - - - - - - Rooms 16/18

Kindergarten-5th Grade - - - - - - - Rooms 131, 132, 133 (lower level)

Jr. MYF (6-8th Grade Youth) - - - - - - Room 122/124 (lower level)

MYF (High School Youth) - - - - - - MYF Room (lower level)

#### AMONG THOSE SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Marion & Verna Schrock; Helena Dueck
Nursery Worship: Linda Frey & Jim Shenk
Coffee Servers: Linda & Gerry Horst
Sound Person: Barry Nolt
Nursery DH: Donna Shenk & Barry Nolt
Mug Washers: Jim & Donna Shenk

Ushers: Dale Herr (Head usher), Amy Herr, Lloyd Chapman, Nancy Chapman & Eileen Byler

Sunday lunch hosts: John & Janet Stoner

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 2 Lunch Bunch @ 11:30 am @ Oregon Dairy

August 3 Library Committee Meeting @ 6:00 pm in the library

August 4 AMC Men's Breakfast @ 7 am @ Udder Choice; Urbane Peachey, presenter

August 11 AMC to prepare and serve Ephrata Community Meal

#### Save these Dates:

September 11 Concert by Sopa Sol at AMC to benefit Nzabarinda family October 29 Ted and Co. to present "Peace, Pies and Prophets" at AMC

November 5-6 Mission Fest at AMC (celebrated with DSECC)

January 15-18, 2017 Winter Bible School at AMC March 18, 2017 MYF Pig Roast and Auction

# **Mennonite Youth Fellowship (MYF - Grades 9-12):**

- Today, July 24: Planning for next week's sharing on DOOR
- **Sunday, July 31:** MYF to report on DOOR experience during worship
- Save the Date: August 5-7: MYF Planning Retreat
- Save the Date: March 18, 2017 MYF Pig Roast & Auction

## **PRAYERS**

JB Shenk passed away early Thursday morning, July 21, surrounded by family. The family are planning to hold his memorial service at AMC, tentatively on Saturday, July 30. Please hold them in your prayers as they celebrate his life and grieve his absence.

Evie Gerstlauer was involved in a vehicle accident on Monday, July 18. She is quite bruised internally but otherwise okay. She would appreciate prayers on her behalf for healing. ~ Lin Good

My daughter Carol Friesen will be receiving a kidney transplant July 25 in Omaha, NE. Pray for continued good health and a successful surgery.  $\sim$  Al Claassen

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Congolese family names:** In January we welcomed to our congregation a family who had been in a refugee camp. We referred to the father as "Rwajekare." Actually, his first name is "Nzabarinda" and that is what he would like to be called. If you have mail for members of the family, you will find their mailbox under Rwajekare, the father's last name. Thank you. ~ Marilyn Langeman

**Join others** to make a "faithful witness amid endless war" at the Horsham (Pa.) Air Guard Station where a militarized drone base has recently become operational. Those traveling to this monthly event from Lancaster County, PA will leave the Akron Mennonite Church parking lot at 10:00 am on Saturday morning, July 30, and return there by 4:00 pm. If you are able to participate, contact H.A. Penner at <a href="mailto:penner@dejazzd.com">penner@dejazzd.com</a> or (717) 859-3529 so sufficient transportation can be arranged.

**Becca Martin**, daughter of David and Rachel Martin, will begin a term of service with MVS in Washington, DC in mid-August. She will work with refugee families as a Protection Counselor through the United Nations High Commission for Refugees. (For a more complete description of Becca's assignment, please refer to your July newsletter). AMC's Missional Challenge Fund is committed to contributing \$1,500 toward her needed \$3,000. If you are interested in contributing an additional amount, please make your checks payable to AMC and indicate "Becca Martin MVS support" in the memo line. To donate online, go to

http://www.mennonitemission.net/givetoservice Or, cash can be given to Karen King (Becca's advocate) in an envelope marked "Becca Martin". In Karen's words, "Another equipped young adult from our congregation helping to shape our world! There can be no greater joy! Thanks for your consideration!"

**Please send your submissions** for the AMC August Newsletter to Rebecca (amc@akronmench.org) no later than Monday, July 25.