

**Gathering together**

Prelude  
Welcome  
Introduction of guests & Announcements  
Call to worship

**Praising God**

HWB 68 (blue) *O come, loud anthems let us sing*  
HWB 226 (blue) *You are salt for the earth*  
Offering & offertory

**Hearing God’s Word**

Children’s time: STS 47 (purple) *Let the children come to me*  
HWB 389 (blue) *Take My Life*  
Scripture reading *1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23*  
Sharing

**Responding to God’s Word**

STS 39 (purple) *Will you come and follow me*  
Prayers of the people  
HWB 229 (blue) *Tú has venido a la orilla (Lord, you have come to the lakeshore)*  
Benediction

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Children ages 2-4 are dismissed following Children’s time for preschool church in the nursery with Ethel Shank and Susan Martin.

Cheryl Braun (pianist); Marion Schrock (worship leader); Herman Bontrager (song leader); Amy Seifarth (soloist); Jim Shenk (children’s time leader); Don & Elaine Brubaker (scripture readers); Matt Carlson & Rachel Nolt (sermon)

**Next week:** Mic 6:1-8; Ps 15; 1 Co 1:18-31; Mt 5:1-12; Chynaah Doll, sermon

**AMONG THOSE SERVING TODAY**

**Greeters:** Jane & Steve Hartzler, Helena Dueck  
**Nursery:** Ethel Shank & Susan Martin  
**Coffee Servers:** Don & Linda Good  
**Ushers:** Dale Herr (Head usher), Amy Herr, Lloyd Chapman, Nancy Chapman, Eileen Byler  
**Sound/AV Operator:** Marv Horst  
2<sup>nd</sup> Hour: Lynne Beth & Monica Carlson  
**Mug Washers:** Richard & Phyllis Leaman

**PLEASE JOIN US (10:10 – 10:35 am)**

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

**SECOND HOUR FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES (10:35 – 11:20 am)**

**Imagining 2020 at AMC:** During 2<sup>nd</sup> hour today there will be another brainstorming session in the Assembly Room for those who were not able to make it to the first brainstorming session, including children and youth K-12. Come ready to share your ideas and dreams for AMC in 2020! We’ll start promptly at 11:35. Facilitated by Matt Carlson.

**Human nature, human rights, and Anabaptists:** Mark Kelley is leading a six part discussion on human nature and human rights, using his new book: *This Mere Existence: Motivation and Strategies for Restoring Human Rights*. This book is available for purchase in the church office for \$10. This class meets in the Assembly Room.

**Koinonia:** This ongoing class is watching and discussing a DVD series titled Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy: Richard Rohr on the Legacy of St. Francis. Facilitated by Lenoir Wible. Class meets in Room 222.

**Faith and Family:** Conversations about the joys and challenges of parenting, and faith formation in our families. Facilitated by Karen King and Rachel Nolt. Class meets in the Sabbath Room.

Children and 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-4th Grade - - - - - Rooms 131, 132, 133 (lower level)  
Jr. MYF (5-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth) - - - - - Jr. MYF Room  
MYF (High School Youth) - - - - - MYF Room

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**February** 4 Lunch Bunch meets @ Oregon Dairy @ 11:30 am  
4 Library Committee meets @ 6:00 pm  
4 Meal with International Visitor Exchange Program guests at 6:30 in Assembly Room  
6 Men’s Breakfast @ 7:00 am @ Udder Choice  
8 Share-a-Life intergenerational activity at Material Resources Center @ 9:00 am

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The No Longer Alone Family Support group** will meet next **today** from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Landis Homes Crossings Meeting Room. Family Support Group members will reflect on the history and vision of No Longer Alone Ministries.

**2019 Contribution Reports** are in your church mailboxes. Please compare them with your personal records, and let Rebecca know if there are any discrepancies. Thank you for all the ways you shared resources, time, and talents with AMC in 2019.

**Meal with IVEP:** Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 p.m. you are invited to share a meal here in the Assembly Room with 40 young adults from all over the world. They come to us through the IVEP (International Visitor Exchange Program) program of Mennonite Central Committee and will be in town for a mid-year conference. The Hospitality Committee will provide the basic meal (baked potatoes with toppings). You are encouraged to bring some type of dessert to share (e.g., fruit, cookies, etc.) Please sign up on the bulletin board by February 2 if you plan to attend. Also indicate if you are willing to help clean up (wash dishes and put away chairs and tables). Please contact Marilyn Langeman if you have questions.

**Share-a-Life** will volunteer at the MRC on Saturday, February 8 at 9 am. This event is open to all ages. A sign-up sheet is posted on the AMC bulletin board.

**The annual MYF Spaghetti Dinner** has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 18. **The annual MYF Auction** is scheduled for Saturday, March 21. Please mark these dates on your calendars.

**On Saturday, March 7, 2020**, Everence Central Penn will host Stewardship University, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community. Courses will explore subjects ranging from elevating your nutrition, preparing for retirement and paying for college to finding mission opportunities close to home – and more. For information or to register, contact Lynette Morales or visit [stewardshipuniversity.com](http://stewardshipuniversity.com)

**Playground safety:** DSECC is experimenting with the use of cones to control traffic flow during the times when children are on the playground. If you come to AMC on a weekday during playground time, please be on the lookout for the cones and be prepared to park and exit accordingly. Feel free to park underneath the canopy, but leave a lane free for cars to pass. Thank you.



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