

Allensville Mennonite Church

Generation to Generation



His mercy extends to those who fear him,
from generation to generation.
Luke 1:50

Coffee Fellowship 8:45 AM
Worship Service 9:15 AM • Sunday School 10:40 AM

NOVEMBER 17, 2024

Prelude - *Janice Peachey*

Announcements/Devotional - *Pastor Randy Sunderland*

Congregational Singing

Message - **Antoine van den Assem**

Born to Overcome - 1 John 5:1,4-5

Congregational Singing

Sharing & Prayer - *Pastor Adam Peachey*

An offering box is placed at the exits of the sanctuary.

Sunday School ~ 10:40 - 11:45 AM

Adult Superintendent ~ Lavern Peachey

Children's Superintendents ~ Marlene Peachey, Sonny Peachey

NURSERY

A quiet nursery is available outside the back of the auditorium. An active nursery is located in the Sunday school wing and is staffed during the worship service (at the start of the message, after congregational singing) through the Sunday school hour. Those serving in nursery today are:

- ▶ **Silas & Leah Neer** - *Morning Worship*
- ▶ **Jason & Lori Kauffman** - *Sunday School*

Emily Hostetler is serving in the library today.

Next Week's Service - November 24, 2024

Missions Sunday. Adult Sunday school hour in sanctuary.

Prelude.....Betty Hostetler
 Devotional.....Joe Sharp
 Message.....Jerry Sauder, Rosedale International
 Nursery Worship Service.....Ted & Amanda Hart
 Nursery Sunday School.....Rachel Henderson & Val Sharp
 Library.....Juli Sunderland

Upcoming Events

Tues, Nov 19: Leadership Prayer Meeting, 7 PM

Wed, Nov 20: Building Team Meeting, 7 PM

Sun, Nov 24: Thanksgiving Offering

Sun, Nov 24: Missions Sunday with Jerry Sauder. Sunday school in the sanctuary with a fellowship meal to follow.

Sun, Dec 1: Prayer Circle during Sunday school in Prayer Room

Tues, Dec 3: Ladies' Sewing Circle, 8 AM - 2 PM

Tues, Dec 3: Leadership Team Meeting, 7 PM

Sun, Dec 22: Christmas Program, 7 PM

Sun, Dec 29: Building Fund Special Offering

Wed, Jan 29: Annual Congregational Meeting, 7 PM

Service Notes

November 17, 2024

Last Week's Service - November 10, 2024

Worship Attendance - 162

Sunday School Attendance - 165

BUILDING FUND PROGRESS

Building Fund (Amount received to date) - **\$833,333 (Goal \$833,333)**

Personal Loans (Amount pledged or cash in hand) - **\$465,000 (Goal \$833,333)**

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

SHINE Jr. High

- *Wed, Dec 4:* Bible study 7 - 8:30 PM at Adam & Becca's
- *Sat, Dec 14:* Christmas party/activity

KOL Sr. High

- *Wed, Nov 20:* Bible study, 7 PM at church.
- *Wed, Dec 4:* Bible study, 7 PM at church
- *Wed, Dec 18:* Bible study/Christmas party at Ben & Darlene's barn

COMMUNITY ESSENTIALS - WEEK 2

Community Essentials relating to Unity and Harmony

6. Be at peace with one another – Mark 9:50, 1 Thessalonians 5:13
7. Live in harmony with one another – Romans 12:16
8. Have equal concern for one another – 1 Corinthians 12:25
9. Be devoted to one another – Romans 12:10
10. Agree with one another – 1 Corinthians 1:10
11. Accept one another – Romans 15:7

UPCOMING SABBATICALS

As was announced last Sunday, the Leadership Team would like to bring to the congregation's attention that as of September 1, 2025, our three pastors will have been serving together for three years. As we've developed our new structure in consultation with our overseer and others, we've discussed the importance of each pastor taking regular sabbaticals for personal renewal and spiritual restoration.

To support this, we've established a plan for each pastor to take a three-month sabbatical approximately every three years. Although we're still working through the details, we aim to have everything finalized and presented at the annual congregational meeting on January 29.

Our tentative plan is for one pastor to take a sabbatical in the summer of 2025, the next in late fall or winter of 2025, and the third in the summer of 2026.

If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to a member of the Leadership Team. However, please bear in mind that we're still in the process of finalizing many details. Thank you for the overwhelming support that the Leadership Team has felt in this new structure.

UPDATE FROM THE BUILDING TEAM AND BUILDING FINANCE TEAM

The Building Team continues to work on details of finalizing building prints and finalizing pricing since it has been almost two years since the initial estimated pricing was completed. After pricing is finalized, the Building Finance Team will review the updated pricing to determine if adjustments in the funding breakdown are needed. We are praising the Lord that we have met our set goal of \$833,333 for cash in hand for the building project! We will continue to raise funds as we still have not met our personal loan goal amount of \$833,333; we currently have approximately \$465,000 that is either cash in hand or pledged in personal loans. We will continue to have special Building Fund Offerings on the 5th Sundays, and these funds will decrease the amount of money needed from personal loans and/or financial institution lending. Continue to pray for wisdom and discernment for the Building Team and the Building Finance Team as they prayerfully work through these steps.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

A Thanksgiving Offering will be received on Sunday, November 24 for the recipients including:

- Antoine and Chris van den Assem (Vision for Asia)
- Backyard Club
- Central PA Youth Ministries (Lewistown Focus)
- Crossroads Pregnancy Center
- Dion and Naty Peachey (Frontier Ventures)
- Gideons International
- Habitat for Humanity
- Pablo and Rosa Gallego (Partners in Evangelism)
- Shelter Services
- Meals on Wheels
- Valley View Benevolence Fund
- Divorce Care 4 Kids
- Duane and Genie Zook
- Rhoda Yoder - Rudy Yoder's sister-in-law who was in a car accident
- Jesse Kauffman, Sr. - Crist Kauffman's brother who had open heart surgery and then had significant complications
- Bob Glick
- Charlie Murphy

ADVENT RESOURCES

For Adults:

This Advent season the Pastoral Team will be using Louie Giglio's "Waiting Here for Hope, An Advent Journey of Hope" as a guide for the advent readings and messages. We invite you to purchase this 30 Day Advent devotional to use in your own personal times of devotion throughout the advent season.

For Families:

Beginning next Sunday, November 24, there will be a table in the foyer with advent materials for families to utilize this season. There are enough devotionals for each family unit to take one and enough activities for every child to take one of each. If you have questions, please contact Kelsey Peachey.

GRIEF SHARE

GriefShare will again be meeting starting January 2025. At GriefShare, we find a safe, comforting place where we can talk with others about our grief. We will find support, direction, and guidance in the context of community. Please contact Bob Zook if you would like to participate as a group facilitator and/or a participant.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Filled Shoe boxes are due back to church today. Please contact Michelle Spicher at 717-513-3342 if you were unable to return shoeboxes this morning and need to arrange pickup throughout this week.

HURRICANE RELIEF OFFERING

The October 27 special offering (for transportation costs to truck hay to North Carolina farmers following Hurricane Helene) raised a total of \$8,120!

AMC's NEW APP!

In coordination with Subsplash, AMC has a new app that can be downloaded on mobile devices and tablets! The bulletin insert today displays the look of the app. Current features include worship service information, bulletins, upcoming events, live stream, online giving, and the Bible. We hope you find this to be a helpful tool! If you have questions or need help downloading the app to your device, please contact Dustin Kauffman, Pastor Randy, or Danielle Peachey.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Send to: announcements@allensvillemennonite.org or call 717-483-6774, ext. 2. Deadline is 7 AM on Thursdays to be included in the bulletin/announcements for the following Sunday.

Church Phone - (717) 483-6774

Use the church phone number above and extensions below to direct your call

Prayer Chain Message: ext. 1

Danielle Peachey, Secretary - secretary@allensvillemennonite.org, ext. 2

Randy Sunderland, Admin. Pastor - randy@allensvillemennonite.org, ext. 3

Bob Zook, Care Ministry Pastor - bob@allensvillemennonite.org, ext. 4

Bob's Church Office Hours - Mondays from 8 AM to 12 PM

Adam Peachey, Teaching Pastor - adam@allensvillemennonite.org, ext 5

Listen/Watch Service Online at allensvillemennonite.org