

RIDGEVIEW MENNONITE CHURCH

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March 30, 2008

**Called by God to learn and share together
God's love with all creation**

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 AM

The Scandal of the Evangelical Conscience taught by Marie Kurtz and Dick Thomas—(1990 Hall)

Freely You Have Received Freely Give taught by Etta Esch—1960 lounge (lower level 1960 building)

International Lesson taught by Ray Lapp and Bob Martin—Room #130 A, B, C (overflow room off lobby)

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

The God of hope comes through closed doors and enters our lives so that we can be Easter people who choose to live Easter lives.

Gathering

Prelude

Call to Worship

Congregational Singing

Sharing Life Together (sign & pass the registry)

Praise & Prayer

Sharing Our Tithes & Offerings

Congregational Prayer

Proclaiming

Children's Message: Penny Power

Scripture: Psalm 16; I Peter 1:1-12

Message "Living as Easter People Is A Choice" Pastor John

Song of Response

Benediction

Carol Wenger, *worship leader*; Arnold King, Elaine Shirk, *musicians*;
Elaine Shirk, *children's message*; Michael Bentivogli, *sound tech*

THIS WEEK

Wed 9:00 am Time Out—*Power Praying Parent*—Bonnie Greiner

7:00 pm TCRC

Sat 7:00 am First Saturday men's gathering @ BIH

COMING EVENTS

April 19 & 20 Family Life Weekend with Harvey Yoder and Brad Yoder

Apr 25, Fri Urban Connections Tour

April 26, Sat ACC Spring Assembly @ Community Mennonite Church in Lancaster.

May 19-21, Mon-Wed Photographs taken for new church directory

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAM LOAF FUND RAISER...the senior high youth are selling delicious Gene Wenger ham loaves. Cost \$7.75 per loaf. Benefits the youth mission trip to Kentucky.

NEEDED: Charles & Anne Marie Smoker will need a vehicle while here in the states August 1, 2008 – July 31, 2009. Be in touch with Todd Gingrich (626-5219) if you can supply this need.

CHURCH SOFTBALL...if you are interested in playing on the church softball team, contact Jason Rohrer or Rich High.

TODAY is the final day to contribute to the congregational education fund established to support students/families who attend our church schools.

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOGRAPHS...sign up today for an appointment to have your family photo taken for our new church directory. Photography dates are May 19, 20, 21. Joyce will be in the lobby today to assist you. You can also call the church office to schedule your time.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY to Sanford & June Gehman on the passing of Sanford's father, Titus Gehman, who died this past week.

EDUCATION COMMISSION...anyone interested in working with the education commission in the area of adult education, please talk with Nelson Yoder or Marie Kurtz. Also, any person who would enjoy connecting with our young adults this spring and summer, please talk with Nelson or Marie. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for the education department.

FAMILY LIFE WEEKEND...April 19 & 20.

Saturday 6:00 pm

Multigenerational Family Banquet (RSVP to the church office)

“Remembering—My Last Night with Dad and Other Stories”

Harvey Yoder

Activities for the children

Sunday 9:00 am Combined adult Sunday school class

Intergenerational panel sharing stories of spiritual encouragement and challenge, moderated by Merv Stoltzfus

10:15 am Music with Brad Yoder and Jeff Raught

“Remodeling—It Takes a Whole Congregation to Build Healthy Disciples” Harvey Yoder

6-8:00 pm Coffee house featuring Brad Yoder

DO YOU EVER THINK about where your next meal will come from? Do you know what it feels like to be hungry? The junior high youth have rescheduled the 30 Hour Famine for April 18 & 19. We had to cancel in February due to inclement weather. In case you missed your opportunity before, we invite you to sponsor the junior high youth as they do their part in helping to prevent world hunger.

ACC EVENTS...URBAN CONNECTIONS TOUR, Friday, April 25, 12 noon – 8:00 pm...join persons from NYC, Baltimore, and Reading/Lancaster congregations to learn about current social justice issues and to form supportive relationships between ACC congregations. **ACC SPRING ASSEMBLY**, Saturday, April 26, at Community Mennonite Church. Carlos Romero will be the guest speaker....“God at Work in ourSpace.”

IF YOU LIKE a cappella music, hear the women’s ensemble, **Shekinah**, and enjoy a hymn sing too, Saturday, April 12, 7:00 pm, at Blossom Hill Mennonite Church. Details posted on bulletin board.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

April 2 7-8:30 pm “Amazing Grace” discussion

April 9 Rock wall climbing

April 16 TBA

April 23 Game night

REPORT FOR March 16, 2008

Offering \$7052.50 Education \$650

Church Attendance 251

PRAYER CORNER

- Search process for minister of youth
- Ministry Team retreat April 2
- Older persons experiencing declining health
- Partner congregations in Argentina
- Elaine Shirk's father, Jesse Bechtold, was hospitalized this week

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