

A message from Rev. Brian Episcopo

As soon as you finish reading this paragraph, or sometime during the service, fill in your response to the statement below. For some of you, this question is so uncomfortable you may only put a "code word" or maybe just the word "shame." But I challenge you to go for it! Exchange your shame for acceptance and truly experience God's love. At the end of my sermon, the worship team will lead us in a closing song. During the song, I'll invite you to leave whatever you wrote (and the shame that goes with it) up front on the stage.

As I write this to you, I am praying (literally at this moment) that whatever you write down be completely disarmed of any power in your life by this simple truth: Jesus Christ gave His life to accept you regardless of what is below this sentence.

My greatest source of shame is:

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

Elders are available for prayer inbetween all services. Please stop by the Welcome Center any time during the morning to connect with an elder for prayer.

ADULTS

Adult Baptism Class

Sunday, Jan. 7 | 9:30-10:30 a.m. Register at **aachur.ch/abc1718**

Explore Membership Class

Sunday, Jan. 7 | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Register at **aachur.ch/aem1718**

Are you ready to take a next step in your faith? Learn about Believer's Baptism or how to become a member of AAC at one of these "get connected" classes.

Christianity 101 Course

Sundays, Jan. 14- Feb. 4 | 11:00 a.m.-noon Register at **aachur.ch/acc10118**

This is a 4-week course on becoming a follower of Jesus. We'll answer some of the questions new believers wrestle with when first exploring Christianity: Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus come? What does it mean for us? Can do we follow Him?

Israel Trip 2018

Oct. 15-25, 2018

Join Dr. Dennis Episcopo, his wife Judy, and special guests, David and Jenny Wraight, on a tour of the Holy Land. This trip is filling up fast, so stop by the Welcome Center for a flyer.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Please join us this Christmas for our Christmas Eve services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., and 1:00, 3:00, and 5:00 p.m. in the Worship Center. Invite your friends and family!

Discovery Land will be open for children ages birth-3 years.

STREETS OF BETHLEHEM

Tonight, Dec. 17 | 5:30-9:00 p.m.

Tonight is your last chance to go back in time! As you stroll the village streets of Bethlehem, you will see, hear, smell, touch, and taste what life was like the night of Jesus' birth. This event is free and open to the community.

SPANISH TRANSLATORS NEEDED ON SUNDAYS

If you are able to assist on a rotating schedule with live Spanish translation for Sunday morning sermons, please contact Barb for more info by emailing her at bmlodzik@appletonalliance.org

SENIOR ADULTS

New Year's Eve Potluck

Sunday, Dec. 31 | 2:00 p.m. Register at aachur.ch/samnyep123117

Kick-off the New Year with fun, games, great food, and friends. No cost, but register online or at the church so we know what dish you'll be bringing to pass.

WELCOME We're glad you're here!

Stop by the Welcome Center in the Hub. We have a gift for you and would love to connect with you. Find out what's happening at AAC at appletonalliance.org

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Sunday Services: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.