
**Welcome to
Maple Grove Mennonite Church**

May 1, 2016

9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Service

Prelude	Valley View Singers
Call to Worship	Alan Kauffman
Hymns & Greetings	Jane Yoder
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Prayer & Offering	
Memory Verse	Primary Department
Sharing & Prayer	
Worship in Song	
Scripture Reading	Ps. 118:5-9, Lu.21:5-9, I Pet. 3:13-15a
Sermon	<i>"Don't Be Afraid!"</i> Bob Hartzler
Response Song	
Final Blessing	
Sending Song	

There will be a **JYF/MYF fund raiser fellowship meal** following the service today. All are invited to stay for this time of food and fellowship.

Tonight: Spring meetings with Bob Hartzler at 7:00

There is **no MYF Bible Study** this evening due to spring meetings. Meet at the Dog House at 6:00 for ice cream.

April 24, 2016		
Offering	Missions	Attendance:
\$3,366.00	\$50.00	SS: 87 WS: 133

Next Week's Text: Rev. 22:12-21

This Week:

Mon-Tues, May 2-3, 7:00 PM - Bob Hartzler here
Tuesday, May, 2 – Women's Day Sewing

Looking Ahead:

May 8 - Hymn Sing here to Benefit Central PA Clinic
May 9 - Chris Tatom (Ministry Inquiry) Arriving
May 11 - Congregational Meeting to Discuss Survey Results
June 4 - Great Allegheny Passage Bike & Hike
June 4-5 - Congregational Retreat at Hostetler's
June 5-11- MDS trip to Detroit
June 12 - Music Sunday (Dan Becker)

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to be praying for this week: Jewel & Randy Kauffman and Marilyn Spangler
- ◆ Silas Neer is going to be working with the harvest in the Midwest this summer. Keep him in prayer.
- ◆ This coming Thursday is National Day of Prayer. We have much to be praying about nationally. Spend some time in prayer.
- ◆ Chris Tatom, our Ministry Inquiry Person for the summer, will be arriving in our area a week from tomorrow, May 9. Be praying for him and us, that we can learn and be mutually beneficial to on another.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Bob Hartzler is with us today and the next couple of evenings for renewal meetings. Give praise to God for the six years that he and Phyllis ministered among us and the ways God was able to use them in ways that continue on.
- ◆ This Thursday is Ascension Day. Praise God that even now, Jesus is at the right hand of God interceding for us.
- ◆ Friday is Nurses' Day. Take time to thank nurses you know and to thank God for those that have given their life to serving others in need.

2016 YEAR OF THE BIBLE

This Week's Memory Scripture:

Psalm 121:1-8 (NIV)

I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip – he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you – the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

Trivia Question: Which disciples witnessed Jesus' transfiguration?

Answer to Last Week's Question: Jaw bone of a donkey

Senior Birthday This Week

Nancy Miller

May 3

As you prepare for our **congregational discussion** on Wednesday evening, May 11 at 7:00, please look over the results of the survey that were in your mailboxes last week. As you do, what stands out to you as important as we move ahead together? We will begin the evening with a few introductory comments, then plan on devoting about 20 minutes to each of the three major topics for discussion: Outreach/Fellowship, Youth and Spiritual. This will allow about 15-20 minutes at the end for any other thoughts/ideas these results have prompted. We will plan to dismiss around 8:30. We will need to keep focused and on task to try to cover this amount of material. So coming prepared is essential. Thank you for helping us shape the future of our congregational life. The Ministerial Team

Thank you to everyone who provided snacks for the JYF/MYF Bible studies so far this year! There is a new snack sign-up sheet on the bulletin board behind the ushers table. Thank you in advance for your help!

Our **spring meetings** with Bob Hartzler will run each evening, Sunday through Tuesday evening, May 1-3 at 7:00. The sermon title for Sunday evening is *I worry too much*. There will also be an offering collected. The sermon Monday evening will be *Walls fall; Relationships remain* and Tuesday will be *Overcoming 'the Drive to Divide'*.

Maple Grove will be responsible for **Meals on Wheels** May 3 & 5 and May 10 & 12.

The annual meeting of the **Mifflin Co. Mennonite Historical Society** will be held this coming Friday evening, May 6 at Allensville Mennonite Church at 7:00 PM. Ervin Stutzman, author of three books about the Hoschtetler men's capture and life among the Native Americans of the mid 1700's, will be the guest speaker. His topic, "What I Learned about Native American Culture of the Mid-Eighteenth Century" will be of special interest to those of Hostetler ancestry who live in Big Valley and beyond.

The next **Big Valley Community Hymn Sing** will be held next Sunday May 8, at 7:00 PM at Maple Grove. A free-will offering will be given to the Central Pennsylvania Clinic for Special Children and Adults in Belleville, a non-profit, community supported clinic specializing in treatment and research into genetic disorders among Amish and Mennonite groups. You are invited to bring light refreshments such as cookies, cheese platter, mixed nuts, or fruit for a time of refreshments after the service. Beverages will be provided.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those interested in being part of a **house fellowship/Bible study** group. The time and frequency of meeting and the study material will be determined by the group(s).

Come join us at the **Benefit Auction and Dinner for the Central PA Clinic**. The 3rd annual dinner will be held Friday, May 20 from 3:30-7:30 PM under the auction tent at the sale barn in Belleville. The auction will be held Saturday, May 23 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM under the auction tents at the sale barn. Breakfast will be served at 6:30 AM and the doctor’s talk will be at 11:00 AM.

The **Great Allegheny Passage Bike & Hike** will be held Saturday, June 4 from 10 AM to 3 PM. Registration begins at 9:30 AM. You may take the trail in either direction for any distance you wish. Drinks and snacks will be provided at the starting location only. The event is sponsored by the Tristate Relief Sale and all proceeds will benefit Mennonite Central Committee. Additional details and sponsor forms are provided on the bulletin board.

Dustin Peachey will be participating in a project with the Coalition for Christian Outreach at Ocean City this summer. The purpose of the project is to develop student leadership and spiritual growth. If you would like to assist with Dustin’s support, checks should be payable to Maple Grove and dropped off at the office by May 29.

There will be a **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** on Friday, May 6th from 4 – 7 p.m. at the West Kish Presbyterian Church to benefit a Mission trip to Gator Camp. Monetary donations will help our youth make a difference in the lives of other youth at Gator Camp in Florida!

The next **Dementia Support Group** meeting will be held on Monday, May 2, at 3:30 PM in the Terrace Activities Room.

	This Week	Next Week
Nursery - SS	Esther Hartzler & Betsy Yoder	Sarah Yoder & Kristin Kauffman
Nursery - Worship	Sheila & Amber Penepacker	Pearl Stanbrough & Kendra Peachey
Sound Technician	Jared Byler	Matt Kauffman
Greeters	Tom & Frieda Paden	Mike & Faith Geckle
Ministerial Team Greeters	Foyer: Jay Byler South Door: Sandy Tussey	Foyer: Nate Kauffman South Door: Sue Farrell

Pastor Alan Kauffman M-T-W-F 8:00am-Noon
Associate Pastor Herb Zook Th 8:00am-Noon
Ministers All members of the church



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