

**Welcome to
Maple Grove Mennonite Church
September 25, 2016**

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

Nursery care is provided during SS and the worship service for infants through age 3

Prelude	Worship Team
Call to Worship	Robert Zook
Worship in Song	Worship Team
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Prayer & Offering	
Memory Verse	Herb Zook
Dismissal for Children's Church	
Statement of Belief	Alan Kauffman
Sharing & Prayer	
Scripture Reading	I Peter 4:7-19
Sermon	<i>"Cubs Win!"</i> Alan Kauffman
Response Song	
Final Blessing	
Sending Song	

No Ultimate Frisbee tonight

September 18, 2016			
Offering	Missions	Building Fund	Attendance
\$2,683.00	\$25.00	\$338.00	SS: 84 WS: 123

Next Week's Text: Luke 17:5-10

This Week:

Wednesday, Sept, 28, 7:00 PM - Prayer Meeting
Saturday, Oct. 1 - Zook Quilt Dinner in FH/Kitchen

Looking Ahead:

October 2 - Fall Communion Service
October 3 - CPYM Banquet here
October 7 - Faith Promise Banquet at BMS
November 6 - All Saints Day Service

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to be praying for this week: Barb Boylan and Jeff Young.
- ◆ Many people from our congregation are suffering from physical illnesses and are awaiting treatment or are in rehab. Keep them in your prayers.
- ◆ Next Sunday is our fall communion during the worship service. All who are attempting to follow Jesus are welcome to participate. Prepare with prayer.
- ◆ Pray for Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their faith.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Fall is on the way. Take time to watch our Creator's handiwork as the colors begin changing.
- ◆ Give thanks for the easy access we have to the scriptures.
- ◆ Thank God for those that keep our church clean, organized and attractive from week to week.

2016 YEAR OF THE BIBLE

There will be no memory verse for next week.

Trivia Question: What part of the day did Christ embark on the boat from which He calmed the waters?

Answer to Last Week's Question: Apphia, a Christian of Colossae

We would like to **thank** everyone for your cards and expressions of love for us as we celebrated our 40th anniversary. We were overwhelmed. Thank you so much. We love you.

Alan & Nancy Kauffman

To our loving congregation: **Thank you** so much for the cards, prayers, food, words of encouragement and many acts of kindness you have given us during Jane's illness. Jane continues to improve each day and we ask for your continued prayers for a complete recovery. Jane has a post-op appointment at Johns Hopkins on Tuesday, Sept. 27. God is good! Ray & Jane Yoder

Our **fall communion** service will be held next Sunday, October 2. Sunday School will be shortened by 10 minutes that day to allow adequate time for the service. The alms offering will be for future alms needs. If you are unable to be present that day and would like to participate in communion in your home, contact the office. *Reminder to Ministerial Team:* Meet in the library at 9:15.

In response to some of the discussion and comments during our business meeting on [Aug. 24th, 2016](#), the pastoral staff along with the other members of the Ministerial Team want to reaffirm the statement that had been sent to Allegheny Mennonite Conference and distributed to the congregation on [Nov. 27th, 2015](#), following our congregational meeting on [Nov. 22nd, 2015](#), when we voted to remain with Allegheny Mennonite Conference. This statement is on a blue half sheet in your mailbox today and is being read during the worship service.

There will be a **fellowship meal** next Sunday.

Jon and Lynn Peachey's **new address** is: 221 Park Drive, Reedsville, PA 17084.

The annual report booklet is in your mailbox today. Special thanks to Jeri Schwartz for the cover photo and all who contributed reports.

It's that time of year to start thinking about **Operation Christmas Child Boxes!** We are ready to start collecting items or money donations for this year's boxes. A bin has been placed in the foyer to collect your donations. Please give money donations and/or checks made payable to Erin Byler and they will be used to purchase additional items for the boxes or to help fund shipping costs.

The Mennonite Heritage Center is hosting an **Antiques Road Show** on Saturday, October 15, at 6:00 PM in the Locust Grove Multi-Purpose Room. Forrest Kauffman and Bill Dancy will appraise each item for a \$5.00 donation. Have the items you want appraised at the church by 5:00 PM. Come enjoy this interesting and informative evening.

Join the Belleville Mennonite School community as 71 years of God's faithfulness to the school is celebrated at the **Faith Promise Banquet** on Friday, October 7, at 6:30 PM. The banquet will feature the high school Concert Choir and speaker, Marcia (Renno) Mylin, '80 (MA, Christian Education) who will share *Understand the Times*. The Class of '66 which is celebrating their 50th class reunion will be honored, alumni awards will be presented and a delicious turkey dinner will be served. Be our guests and spend a wonderful fall evening enjoying a delicious dinner while learning about BMS today and honoring the school's rich heritage.

The Ministerial Team and Council unanimously decided there will be no offering collected for Allegheny Conference. Those wishing to **contribute to Allegheny Mennonite Conference** may do so by mailing a check to: AMC, PO Box 742, Davidsville, PA 15928 and write "Budget" on the memo line of the check. If you want your contribution to go toward something other than the budget, there are forms available in the office to send along with your check.

Attention Ladies: We are planning another trip to Country Cupboard in Lewisburg on Saturday, October 8. We will be taking the van and leaving the church at 8:00 AM. There are sign-up sheets in each SS classroom and on the bulletin board.

The **Monday Nite Seniors** will meet tomorrow evening, September 26, at 5:30 PM in the social room at West Kish. We will be featuring chicken and ask that you bring a covered dish to share. We invite anyone over 60 to come and enjoy the food and conversation. Hope to see you there.

Join Lewistown Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 16 at 3:00 PM for an uplifting and inspiring concert performed by **Essence of Joy**, one of ten choral ensembles from the Penn State School of Music. Under the direction of founder Dr. Anthony Leach, Essence of Joy performs sacred and secular music from the African/African American traditions. Many of their songs are deeply moving gospel songs and spirituals. Founded in 1991, editions of the choir have performed globally for audiences in North America, Europe, Asia, and Africa. There is no cost for the concert, but a free-will offering will be received.

Perspectives 2017 will be held at the Allensville Mennonite Church on January 8 – April 30, 6:30 – 9:15 each Sunday evening. This is a course for the Church. The goal is to bring our individual lives into a closer alignment with God's purpose, to join God in His story. If you want to grow and be challenged—want more vision, direction and eternal impact to come from your life, check it out at www.perspectives.org.

Year-end charitable gifts - Did you know you can make charitable gifts from funds in your IRA? If you are older than 70½, you can give tax-free gifts from your IRA to your church or your favorite charity. Learn details in the IRA Rollover Update at everence.com.

	This Week	Next Week
Nursery - SS	Kristin Kauffman & Esther Hartzler	Sarah Yoder
Nursery - Worship	Pearl Stanbrough & Betsy Yoder	Sheila & Amber Penepacker
Sound Technician	Jared Byler	Jared Byler
Ministerial Team Greeters	Foyer: Sandy Tussey South Door: Kurt Rheam	Foyer: Jane Yoder South Door: Ray Yoder

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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