

**Welcome to
Maple Grove Mennonite Church**

March 12, 2017

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		Lisa Rheam
Focus Statement		Jared Byler
Call to Worship		
Hymns & Greetings		Andrea Yoder
Visitors & Church Announcements		
Prayer & Offering		
Sharing & Prayer		
Worship in Song		
Scripture Reading	Genesis 12:1-4	
Sermon	"Get out of Here!"	Herb Zook
Response Song		
Final Blessing		
Sending Song		

March 5, 2017	
Offering \$4,986.00	Attendance SS: 75 WS: 94

This Week:

Monday, March 13, 6:00 PM - Volleyball in FH
 Tuesday, March 14, 6:30 PM - Council Meeting
 Tuesday, March 14, 6:45 PM - Land O Lakes Dinner in FH
 Wednesday, Mar. 15, 6:30 PM - Sing at VV
 Thursday, Mar. 16, 4-8:00 PM - Penepacker Bible Study in FH

Next Week's Text: Exodus 17:1-7

Looking Ahead:

March 19 - Menn. Heritage Center Hymn Sing at Locust Grove
 March 25 - Soup & Scoop and Group Scoop Night in FH
 April 9-11 - Nelson Kraybill-Spring Meetings-SS in auditorium
 April 13 - Maundy Thursday Service (communion/foot washing)
 April 16 - Easter Breakfast at 8:30, Worship at 10:00
 May 19-20 - Central PA Clinic Fund Raiser Dinner and Auction

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to be praying for this week: Lee & Fern Hartzler and Cassandra Yoder
- ◆ Pray for the many people in the mid-west who are experiencing devastation from fires.
- ◆ Remember the many people from Maple Grove who are at Valley View in cottages, assisted living, the haven, rehab or memory lane. Pray for them this week.
- ◆ As leadership begins to contact people to see how they/you may want to serve in the coming year; pray that God would give you the direction to know what ministry/work God is calling you to say "Yes" to.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Starting today, we will be enjoying daylight longer in the evenings. Give thanks for the time many will now have to get a few more things done outside after work.
- ◆ Saint Patrick's Day is this coming Friday. Give thanks for all those people/saints who have helped, in some way, to point us to God.
- ◆ Impact (a youth weekend that Chris Tatom/CPYM was part of) was last weekend. Praise God for the many that attended and whose lives were transformed for Jesus.

A very big **Thank You** to all kitchen staff, dish washers, all the wonderful cake bakers and the servers that helped with Jane's funeral on Saturday. I appreciate all the willing-ness and the

volunteers who helped. I also appreciate the phone calls and the great texts I received. Thanks again.

Jeri Schwartz, Jeffrey Young & Marjorie Laughlin

Plan to attend our evening together (**Soup & Scoop and Group Scoop**) on Saturday, March 25, starting at 5:00. The evening will begin with a variety of soups and fingers foods. We will then hear from a number of people regarding hobbies/collections they have. Those already lined up to share are: Lynn Peachey, Sandy Tussey, John Rheam, Betty Yoder and Wanda Yoder. After the sharing we will enjoy some ice cream together. Just come. Everything is being provided by SS classes. If you have any questions, contact Alan Kauffman.

J. Loren Yoder will be spending several weeks with **MDS in Lewisburg, WV**. There are openings for four men to work there rebuilding houses and/or building new ones from April 23-28. Contact J. Loren for more information.

We will be **singing at Valley View** again this Wednesday evening at 6:30. We need more singers to help enhance the worship time. Enter at the 500 wing and come back to the end of the hall (400 wing sun porch). Contact Herb Zook if you have any questions.

It is time to renew your subscription to *The Mennonite*. If you would like to order under the church group plan, the cost is \$37/yr. as opposed to the cost of an individual subscription which is \$46/yr. Your current subscription will expire next month. Your check, *payable to Maple Grove Church*, is due in the church office by *Sunday, March 26*.

Next Tuesday, March 21 is our day to contribute canned soup and boxed macaroni/cheese to **Backyard Club**. You can bring your donations next Sunday or have them on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 AM on Tuesday, March 21.

Herb and Marlene are wondering if there are people who would be interested in attending the **MCC relief sale in Harrisburg** on Sat. April 1. If there is enough interest we will take the van. Let us know fairly soon if you are interested.

The vote on our **affiliation with Allegheny Mennonite Conference** continues through this week. Ballots are under the mailboxes as well as envelopes for you to place your ballot in or ballots in as a family. Each ballot will need to be signed. *Any unsigned ballots will not be counted.* All ballots need to be returned to the office by noon, next Sunday, March 19. Please note that for the vote to pass, we need 2/3 who would "Agree", since this would require a change in our constitution. Also, if the vote passes to withdraw, the withdrawal would not be immediate. It would officially happen once a decision would be made on another affiliation/conference and once that conference/affiliation would officially accept Maple Grove into its membership.

We will be collecting **30 gallon garbage bags** through March 26 for the Shelter Services in Lewistown. The donation bin is in the foyer.

The Mennonite Heritage Center will hold its **14th Annual Heritage Hymn Sing** next Sunday evening, March 19 at 7:00 PM at Locust Grove Church. We will sing from the 1902 Church and SS Hymnal. There will also be special music by the Bethel AME Choir and Gospel Bluegrass Music will be presented by the Stone Valley Pickers.

Jane Neff, director of the Homeless Shelter, is hoping to start a **prayer base** that lifts up the Shelter, its staff and its residents on a regular basis. She would email the intercessors group as particular needs come up. Contact her at 717-248-0102 if you would like to be part of this ministry.

Jason and Lori Kauffman, grandchildren of John and Esther Kauffman, are having a **spaghetti fund raiser dinner** for their adoption on Saturday, March 25 from 4-8:00 PM at Allensville Mennonite Church.

The Salt and Light Co., a music ensemble from Rosedale Bible College, will present their concert, Think on These Things, on Thursday March 16, at 7:00 p.m. at the Locust Grove Mennonite Church. The program features vocals accompanied with Acoustic instruments in a blend of folk and light contemporary sounds that the entire family will enjoy. The concert is free and open to the public.

On Saturday, April 8, Everence Lancaster will host **the Stewardship University**, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community. One of our workshops will focus on senior fraud prevention. Darryl Dahlmeiner of LSS Financial Counseling will explain how to recognize the most common forms of fraud and the tactics con artists use, especially when trying to get money from older adults. For more information, contact Lynette Morales at 717-394-0769.

New to the Bulletin Board

Spaghetti Dinner Mar. 17 for Relay for Life Team

	This Week	Next Week
Nursery - SS	Erin Byler & JoAnn Byler	Krissy Bonson & Sarah Yoder
Nursery - Worship	Josh & Morgan Detwiler	Jason & Sarah Yoder
Sound Technician	Matt Kauffman	Jared Byler
Ministerial Team	Foyer: Ray Yoder	Foyer: Nate Kauffman
Greeters	South Door: Sandy Tussey	South Door: Kurt Rheam

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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