

Welcome to Maple Grove Mennonite Church

January 7, 2018

Maple Grove Mennonite Church is a community of persons committed to Jesus Christ and His teachings. We live to share the good news of God's love by word and deed with our neighbors, community and the world, promoting peace, justice and mercy for all. We express our faith through worship, nurture, fellowship and service.



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9:30 AM

Sunday School

10:30 AM

Worship Service

If you are new to our church and want additional information about Maple Grove, please see Alan for a visitor packet after the service.

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

Prelude	Deb Durst
Welcome & Opening	Lynn Peachey
Hymns & Greetings	Tim Peachey
HWB #102 <i>"To God be the Glory"</i>	
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Prayer & Offering	
Sharing & Prayer	
Worship in Song	HWB # 504 <i>"Have Thine Own Way"</i>
Scripture Text	Mark 1:4-11
Sermon	<i>"Seven Surprises"</i> Alan Kauffman
Response Song	HFF #576 <i>"Thou Whose Purpose Is to Kindle"</i>
Final Blessing	
Sending Song	

There will be a **fellowship meal** following the service today. All are welcome to stay for this time of food and fellowship.

December 31, 2017			
Offering	Building Fund	Alms	Attendance
\$2,794.00	\$200.00	\$50.00	SS: 61 WS:85
Memorials: Nancy Reitz \$100 – Youth Ministries Mark, Lois & Mary King \$300 – Building Fund			

Senior Birthday This Week

Mary French

January 11

Next Week's Text: I Samuel 3:1-10

This Week:

Monday, Jan. 8, 6:00-9:00 PM - Volleyball in FH
Monday, Jan. 8, 6:30 PM - Ministerial Team Meeting
Tuesday, Jan. 9, 6:30 PM - Council Meeting
Wednesday, Jan. 10, 7:00 PM - Prayer Meeting
Thursday, Jan. 11, 10 AM - Noon - Play Group in FH

Looking Ahead:

January 21 - Pulpit Exchange (Sherman Stoltzfus here)
February 11 - Ministerial Team Retreat at John Rheams at 4:00
February 25 - Music Sunday
March 4-6 - Del Glick here for spring meetings

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to be praying for this week: Mary French and Jason, Sarah, Ellie & Deacon Yoder

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Congratulations to Jason & Sarah Yoder on the birth of Deacon Paul born January 4. Rejoice with them!

The **result of the vote** last Sunday on Alan's revised covenant was 97% affirmative. Thank you for your support. Copies of the updated covenant will be provided to Council and the Ministerial Team. Additional copies are available under the mailboxes for those who would like one.

Following the service today and each Sunday going forward, there will be two people available at the front of the auditorium, if you would like to share a **prayer request** and be prayed for. You do not have to name your request, you can simply ask for prayer. The prayers will not share what you share with anybody else, unless you request that they do. We are hopeful this will provide a greater

opportunity for attenders at Maple Grove to leave worship, having been cared and prayed for.

Last year's **Soup and Scoop Nite** was a hit, so we are planning another one this year. The date will be Saturday evening, April 7, beginning at 5:00 PM. What we are needing from you right now is to "Save the Date" and to participate. If you have a hobby or something you collect, please let a member of the Worship Committee know in the next few weeks. Members are: John and Jen Baker, Alan Kauffman, Kristin Kauffman and Jason Yoder. We would love to see your display and have you say a few words about it (or write something that could be read.) Thank You.

On Jan. 14, 21, 28, we will be collecting money to send **care packages to our college students**: Logan Peachey, Dustin Peachey, and Megan King. You may put donations in the box that will be below the college students' bulletin board.

We will be collecting **thermal underwear** (all sizes) for Shelter Services, Inc. during the month of January. You may place your donations in the blue bin in the foyer. The church contributed 99 pairs of gloves and mittens, and 39 hats to the Homeless Shelter for the month of December. Thank you!

Clean out your sewing room for MCC!! Quilters Attic at the PA Relief Sale is collecting **quilt related items**-the used/unused or unfinished things no longer needed in your sewing room. For a detailed list of items, please see the flier posted on the bulletin board. Your donations will be collected on the tables in the downstairs foyer.

2017 giving statements are in your mailboxes today.

Our day to contribute **soup and boxed macaroni/cheese** to Backyard Club is next Tuesday, January 16. You can bring your donations to the church next Sunday or have them on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 AM Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Those listed below have not had their picture included in the **church directory**, had changes in their family since the last update, or it may be time to update your photo. If your name is not included below but you would like to be included in the directory or if you just want to update your photo we invite you to have your picture taken as well. Jeri Schwartz will be taking pictures in the fellowship hall following the service **next Sunday, Jan. 14 & 21.**

Larry & Jean Eckland	John & Toni Peachey
Mike & Faith Geckle	Kurt & Lisa Rheam & family
Patrick & Ashley Joyce & family	Andrea Yoder
Brian & Kat Ketchum & family	Jason & Sarah Yoder & family
Neal & Kendra Martin	Ray & Dar Yoder
Don & Sandy Peachey & Garrett	

Also, if there are changes or corrections to your directory information such as address or phone number, please let the church office know.

SINGLE & PARENTING, a program that offers practical help and hope to single parents, will begin at the Juniata Valley YMCA, Burnham on Mon., Jan. 22. The program will run 6:30-8 PM each Monday evening through April 23. Parents participate in video seminars and small group discussions that explain how to wisely encourage their kids to obey, how to help their hurting child(ren), how to eliminate debt, how to deal with verbal onslaughts, and how to figure out what their emotions are telling them. Single & Parenting will run congruent with DC4K, a program for children ages 5 years to 12 years. DC4K is a student support group for

children whose families are experiencing separation/divorce. At DC4K, kids are engaged in crafts, games, activities, DVD dramas, and music, and will be engaged in this program while parents are participating in **SINGLE & PARENTING**. For more information on either or both programs, call or text 717-437-4946. There is no cost for registration. Programs are sponsored by Locust Grove Mennonite Church, Belleville, PA located at 3358 W. Main Street, Belleville, PA. 17004.

St. John’s Christian Day Care and Preschool in Belleville is accepting applications for a **full-time teacher’s aide** as well as **substitutes**. Applications due January 10. Please call the center at 935-2959 for more information.

The next **Dementia Support Group** meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 8 at 3:30 in the Terrace Activities Room.

New to the Bulletin Board

- ◆ January Backyard Club News
- ◆ List of possible donations to Quilters Attic
- ◆ List of current needs at Shelter Services, Inc.

	This Week	Next Week
Nursery – SS	JoAnn Byler & Erin Byler	Josh & Morgan Detwiler
Nursery-Worship	Nancy Kauffman & Pearl Stanbrough	Kristin Kauffman & Marilyn Spangler
Sound Technician	Jared Byler	Jared Byler
Pray-ers	Kurt Rheam & Sandy Tussey	Ray Yoder & Lynn Peachey
Ministerial Team Greeters	Foyer: Lynn Peachey South Door: Joyce Rheam	Foyer: Kurt Rheam South Door: Sandy Tussey

“Gathered to know Jesus, sent to make Jesus known”