

Welcome to Maple Grove Mennonite Church

April 14, 2019

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		Worship Team
Welcome & Opening/Confession		Joyce Rheam
Hymns & Greetings		Worship Team
Visitors & Church Announcements		
Prayer & Offering		
Sharing & Prayer		
Scripture Reading	Luke 19:28-40	
Sermon	“Parade Parody”	Alan Kauffman
Response Song		
Final Blessing		
Sending Song		

April 7, 2019	
Offering \$4,364.00	Attendance SS: 90 WS: 114

This Week:

Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 PM - Prayer Meeting
 Thursday, April 18, 6:30 - Love Feast & Communion Service
 Sunday, April 21, 8:30 AM– Easter Breakfast
 10:00 AM-Worship Service

Next Week’s Text: Luke 24:1-12

Looking Ahead:

April 27 – Big Brother/Big Sister Bowl-a-Thon
 April 28 – Lot Service/Affirmation for Elder and Deaconess &
 Reception of New Members
 April 30 – Swiss Shalom Choir here at 7:00 PM

May 2-4 – “Time of Caring” Community Outreach
May 5 – Music Sunday
May 19 – Movie Night at church
June 9 – Outdoor Service

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to be praying for this week: Roy & Rita Kanagy and Dave & Effie Spicher

Senior Birthday This Week

Esther Kauffman

April 20

Today is the day to begin the **devotional booklets for Holy Week** that were placed in your church mailbox last Sunday.

Our lot and affirmation services for elder and deaconess is going to be April 28th. Please be praying for this. The **candidates for elder** (which will be determined by lot) are: John Baker, Chris Tatom and Ed Yoder. Andrea Yoder is the candidate for deaconess and she will be affirmed that same day. Absentee affirmation ballots for deaconess are available in the office for those who cannot be here on the 28th.

All are invited to attend our **Maundy Thursday Service** this Thursday, April 18, will begin at 6:30 PM with a light meal. All food and place settings will be provided. Following the meal, there will be communion, foot washing and an alms offering. The alms offering will be for future needs. The evening will conclude with a reader’s theater.

Easter Breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall at 8:30 AM next Sunday morning. There are food sign-up sheets in the classrooms and on the bulletin board. Place settings and drinks will

be provided. There will be no Sunday School and the Worship Service will begin at 10:00 AM.

If you are unable to attend the **communion service** but would like to be served the emblems in your home, contact Alan.

The **Swiss Shalom Choir** will present a concert here Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 PM. A group of about 30, from Zurich and other areas in Switzerland, will bring 5 alp horns, an accordion and other instruments, and will also do some yodeling. A free will offering will be received.

Save the Date! – On Sunday evening, May 19th at 6:00, the Fellowship Committee is hosting a **Movie Night at the church**. More details to follow! Come and invite your friends.

The **Prayer Time after worship services** has been adjusted. Recently, people desiring prayer were to go to the front of the auditorium. Now, for more privacy, the two weekly “pray-ers” will be in the left front room, just past the piano. If you cannot make it after the service, people are encouraged to contact a member of the Ministerial Team or one of the other “pray-ers” and they will pray with/for you. As always, you can contact Alan at the church or at home for items you would like put on our congregational phonetree. Pray-ers include: Lynn Peachey (717-667-2896), John & Joyce Rheam (717-935-2737), Kurt Rheam (717-935-9924), Chris Tatom (317-403-0905), Sandy Tussey (814-667-3850), Jason Yoder (717-250-0447), Ray Yoder (717-935-5352), and Lavern Yutzy (717-437-0707).

Our day to contribute **soup and boxed macaroni/cheese** to Backyard Club is this coming Tuesday, April 16. Please have your donations on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 that day.

The items we are collecting for Shelter Services, Inc. for the month of April are **butter and eggs**. They can be put in the refrigerator to the right in the kitchen.

The April 28 **mission offering** will be going to Crossroads Pregnancy Center. They are in need of over \$6,000 to replace a furnace at one of their local centers.

College scholarship applications are available in the church office. The deadline to return completed applications is May 31.

The Mission Committee is looking into a possible **mission trip** for our church this fall. If you are think you would be interested in participating or have any ideas please contact a member of the Mission Committee, Tim Peachey, Erin Byler or Jolene Byler.

The Mission Committee has funds available for any of our church children and youth that are attending a **church sponsored summer camp**. Please contact Tim Peachey, Erin Byler, or Jolene Byler for more details.

Nancy and my recent purchase of a house and soon-to-be move to Strodes Mills has raised 2 main Maple Grove questions, which we can understand, and want to clarify. 1. This does not mean Alan is retiring in the immediate future. His current term runs to the end of 2020, with the potential to extend beyond that time if mutually agreed upon. 2. It does not mean that when we do retire, that we will be attending church elsewhere. As some may recall, we used to live in Siglerville for 12 years and attended here. Maple Grove is our church family and our commitment is to continue to attend and serve here as we are called and able to do so. If you have any other questions, please feel free to ask us. – Alan & Nancy Kauffman

We are planning to receive **new members** during the service of Apr. 28. If you are interested in joining, let Alan Kauffman know ASAP.

Big Valley Ministerium is again organizing a **“Time of Caring”** mission outreach project for Thursday through Saturday, May 2-4. If you have jobs that you need help with such as landscaping, lawn/shrub maintenance, leaf pickup, general clean-up, mulching, rototilling, weeding, taking garbage to landfill etc., call the church office. If you would like to volunteer to help with any of these jobs, there is a sign-up sheet for workers on the bulletin board. The base of operation will be the Community Center (former Union Elem. School). The work schedule will begin at 8 AM with coffee and donuts and have two shifts, ending at 4:00 PM. Lunch will be provided by area churches.

The Shelter has been given the opportunity to have 2 **'youth interns'** in our Thrift Store this summer. The positions are 8 weeks and the Grant Program 'SLIP' will pay them \$10.35 per hour. If you know of a youth age 16-24 that is interested please have them apply this week. The youth will not be alone and they will learn skills related to retail, marketing and peer interaction. This is a great opportunity to gain some job experience as well as enhance a resume for college or future employment. They can come by the Shelter Office or apply through career link.

	This Week	Next Week
Nursery – SS	Josh & Morgan Detwiler	No SS
Nursery-Worship	Nancy Kauffman & Marilyn Spangler	Sheila Penepacker & Pearl Kauffman
Sound Technician	Matt Kauffman	Jared Byler
Pray-ers	Ray Yoder & Jason Yoder	Lynn Peachey & Kurt Rheam
Ministerial Team Greeters	Foyer: Lynn Peachey North Door: Joyce Rheam	Foyer: Ray Yoder North Door: Lavern Yutzzy

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