
Maple Grove Mennonite Church

February 9, 2020

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 or an usher 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		Sheila Penepacker
Worship in Song		Worship Team
Visitors & Church Announcements		
Prayer & Offering		
Special Music		Worship Team
Sharing & Prayer		
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 58:1-9a	
Sermon	<i>"Deaf and Blind"</i>	Alan Kauffman
Response Song		
Final Blessing		
Sending Song		

February 2, 2020	
Offering	Attendance
\$3,874.00	SS: 80 WS: 108

This Week:

Monday, Feb. 10, 6-9:00 PM – Volleyball in FH

Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2-3:30 PM – Singing Strings in Foyer

Thursday, Feb. 13, 6:00 PM – Pastoral Succession Group Meeting

Saturday, Feb. 15, 8-9:30 AM – CPYM Board Meeting in Room 200

Sat., Feb. 15, 11:00 AM – Wanda Bender Memorial Service here

Next Week's Text: I Corinthians 3:1-9

Looking Ahead:

March – My Coins Count Offerings Each Sunday

March 22-24 – Spring Meetings with Gerald Peachey

March 28 – Soup & Scoop Game Night in FH at 6:00

April 3 & 4 – LMC Celebration of Church Life

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to pray for this week: Lee & Fern Hartzler and Louise Whitsel
- ◆ Rhoda Campbell was moved to rehab at William Penn this week. Keep her in prayer as she regains her strength.
- ◆ Richard Byler was readmitted to Lewistown Hospital this week and spent a number of days there. Pray that his leg may be healed of cellulitis.
- ◆ Pray for the division that is in our country that shows up in many areas of our daily lives.
- ◆ As potential elders and deaconesses are contacted, pray for discernment.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Give thanks for the other churches in this valley that are our partners in sharing the good news.
- ◆ Praise God for the ways you see your relationship with Him making a greater difference in your relationship with others.
- ◆ This coming Friday is Valentine's Day. (Hint, hint men!) Take time to thank God for His love for us and for those that have reflected God's love to us throughout our life.

Thank you for all the cards, prayers, and get well wishes that have been so helpful in my recovery and the kindnesses that have been show to us.
Darv & Joan Yoder

Our day to contribute **soup and boxed macaroni/cheese** to Backyard Club is next Monday, February 17. Please have your donations on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 that day.

The item we will be collecting for Shelter Services during the month of February is **body wash**.

Update on the Restructuring Process:

Council recently met and discussed what we see as the “big” questions for Maple Grove as we examine what God has for us going forward. We were able to narrow it down to 5 key questions.

1. What do you see as God’s unique mission for Maple Grove?
2. What can we do at Maple Grove to stimulate growth?
3. How do we foster deeper relationships with one another?
4. How do we share the truth of the gospel in a pluralistic society?
5. What is life giving/life draining about Maple Grove?

These questions were then sent to Conrad and Jacob Kanagy, who will use them to create a questionnaire for the congregation to participate in. This questionnaire will be available online and also in a hard-copy form, if preferred. After this process is completed, the results from the questionnaire will be used to guide small group listening sessions, designed to give everyone at MG an opportunity to share their thoughts and feelings in a safe environment with a focus on meaningful discussion. After the listening sessions are completed, Conrad will submit a final report to the Council with recommendations for Maple Grove based on our discussion.

The Council remains very excited and committed to this process. We are already sensing God at work! Our prayer is that everyone, both members and regular attenders, will be engaged with us in this process. Our primary focus is centered around question number 1. We sincerely desire God's leading and wisdom as we seek to be a congregation that is truly following after his call for us! We want to be involved in God's mission, whatever opportunities may come! Our earnest prayer is that this process will help us to reinforce the areas we are already succeeding in, and to discover new ways to serve God and others in our community. Please continue to pray for this process, and for God to reveal Himself as we commit it to Him!

On February 4, in a meeting at Martinsburg Mennonite Church, pastors and LMC leaders affirmed a plan to form a new district for the following LMC congregations located in the greater Central PA region:

- Blough Mennonite Church, Hollsopple, PA
- Carpenters Park Mennonite Church, Davidsville, PA
- Delaware Mennonite Church, Thompsontown, PA
- Lost Creek Mennonite Church, Mifflintown, PA
- Maple Grove Mennonite Church, Belleville, PA
- Martinsburg Mennonite Church, Martinsburg, PA

Next steps include discernment and affirmation of a bishop for this new district and selecting a name for the district. Please pray for the Lord’s leading in these important matters.

On Saturday, Mar. 7, Everence Central Penn will **host Stewardship University**, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community. Courses will explore subjects ranging from elevating your nutrition, preparing for retirement and paying for college to finding mission opportunities close to home – and more. For information or to register, visit stewardshipuniversity.com or contact Lynette Morales at 717-653-6662.

New to the Bulletin Board

- ◆ February Backyard Club News

Maple Grove has a Child Protection Policy		
	This Week	Next Week
Nursery – SS	Kay Peachey & Sheila Penepacker	Krissy & Clint Bonson
Nursery-Worship	Nancy Kauffman & Marilyn Spangler	Esther Hartzler & Amber Penepacker
Sound Technician	Matt Kauffman	Jared Byler
Pray-ers	John Rheam & Sandy Tussey	Lavern Yutzy & Lynn Peachey
Ministerial Team Greeters	Foyer: Ruby Yoder North Door: Lavern Yutzy	Foyer: Ed Yoder North Door: Joyce Rheam



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