
Maple Grove Mennonite Church

October 11, 2020

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

If you desire prayer, those wearing white ribbons are available to pray with you.

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	Herb Zook
Worship in Song	Worship Team
Dismissal for Children's Church for K - 5 th Grade	
Scripture Reading Exodus 32:1-14	
Sermon "Holy Cow"	Alan Kauffman
Response Song	
Final Blessing	
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Share & Prayer	
Sending Song	

The **flowers** on the altar table this morning are in celebration of Lester Yoder and Margie Wheeler's marriage on Friday, Oct. 9. Congratulations Lester & Margie!

October 4, 2020		
Offering	Alms	Attendance
\$5,694.00	\$629.00	SS: 51 WS: 73

Senior Birthdays This Week

Nancy Kinsinger	Oct. 15
Delores Kanagy	Oct. 18
Pat McKeehan	Oct. 18

This Week:

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 6:30 PM – Worship Committee Meeting

Next Week's Text: Exodus 33:12-23

Looking Ahead:

October 21 - Church-Wide Prayer & Fasting for Mission Vision

November 1 - All Saints Day Service

November 8-10 - Fall Meetings with Gerald Peachey

November 15 - Operation Christmas Child Box Filling Evening

December 2 - Operation Christmas Child Trip to Baltimore

December 13 - Primary Dept. Christmas Program

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service (covid tentative)

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to pray for this week: Tom & Frieda Paden and Logan Peachey
- ◆ As Council begins to discerning future step regarding our mission visioning, commit this to regular prayer.
- ◆ Big Valley Ministers meet this coming Tuesday. Use this as a reminder to be praying for all of our partner congregations in the valley.
- ◆ Pray for those who are needing to make difficult life decisions.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Give thanks for those times when the phrase, "it could have been much worse" applied to you.
- ◆ Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day in Canada. Join them in counting the many blessings that are ours each day.
- ◆ Mennonite Central Committee is celebrating their 100th anniversary this year. Celebrate the lives that have been touched for Jesus by this mission arm of the Mennonite Church.

The **Adventure Club** is meeting right after church today to go to the At the Barnyard corn maze in Ferguson Valley. Bring a packed lunch and parents will be texted when they leave the corn maze.

Very soon, Maple Grove leadership, along with Conrad and Jacob Kanagy, will take the findings from the questionnaires and listening sessions and begin to discern next steps for our congregation. This is important work that has the potential to shape our life together for years to come. So starting Wednesday, October 21st, and each Wednesday after that, the Ministerial Team is inviting the congregation to join them in **fasting and prayer** as we discern our part in God's work in this community. You are encouraged to skip one meal that day and use the time to humbly come before God in spoken and listening prayer. If you are unable to fast that day, feel free to choose some other day of the week. Or if you cannot fast for health reasons, please join us by committing additional time to prayer.

It's been a year ago on Sept. 1 that **Big Valley Thrift & Gift Shop** opened their new building on Main Street. Sales have more than doubled from our old location and expectations were high that this Sept. we might meet last Sept's opening sales. AND WE DID! - even exceeded by \$367. Although we were shut down for two months because of the virus, we are on target to meet our \$4,000 a month donation to MCC. Praise be to God!

P.S. Volunteer clerks, backroom sorters and donation door receivers are needed. See Betty Hartzler, Thrift Shop Board Member

Marissa Peachey has resigned as the church **cleaning person** due to finding a full-time job. The opening is currently for both sides of the building, but if you prefer only one side there is some flexibility. Cleaning both sides takes approximately 4-5 hrs./wk. If you, or anyone you know, would be interesting in this position, please submit your/their name to the church office.

If you have been attending Maple Grove, but are not yet a member and are interested in **joining Maple Grove**, let Alan Kauffman know. We would like to provide that opportunity for people to join sometime in the near future if there is interest.

I would love to have articles on THANKFULNESS in the November issue of the **Maple Leaf**. We have so much to be thankful for so pick one (if you can). You can put articles in my church mailbox, (remember to out your name on it) or you can email it to me at plpeachey51@gmail.com. I will respond back to you when I receive it so you will know I got it. Articles are due October 18th. As always...thank you so much for all your submissions! This is "your" newsletter, so be a part of it! Blessings, Lynn

A one day mission trip to the **Operation Christmas Child processing center** in Baltimore is planned for Wednesday, December 2. We will be going down and coming back the same day, and we will take the church van if there is enough interest. Let Erin Byler or JoAnn Byler know if you are interested in going along. Your OCC gifts can be put in the box in the foyer and money donations can be given to Erin or JoAnn. Checks should be payable to Maple Grove.

October's Shelter Services Collection Items: Shampoo, combs and brushes

Our day to contribute **soup and boxed macaroni/cheese** to Backyard Club is Monday, October 19. Please have your donations on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 that day.

A **pulled pork fundraiser meal** by Daniel & Katie Peachey will be served this coming Saturday, October 17 from 4 - 7 PM at Belleville Mennonite School to benefit the Neil & Lena Hartzler family's international adoption. The Hartzlers are currently in the process of adopting two young girls from Colombia. Meals will be available on a donation basis and will consist of smoked pulled pork, homemade rolls, baked beans, coleslaw, and dessert. Take-outs will be available from 3 - 7 PM and dining in will begin at 4 PM, and lasting through 7 PM (or until sold out). Please come out for a delicious meal and to support the Hartzlers!

Awaken the Blessing, a public community worship event will be held today, beginning at 3pm on the Belleville playground. This event is supported by various churches within our community. EVERYONE is welcome to bring your friends and family as we join together in a celebration of prayer, praise, and declaration of the goodness of God. An interactive prayer area will be on-site to provide for all prayer requests. This is an outdoor event, so bring along a jacket and perhaps a chair.

Food for thought from your Health Promoter, Dar Yoder: I can make the world a happier place. Do your best to help one person every day in a small way. By becoming the answer to someone’s prayer we often find the answers to our own. When the people around us are happier, it’s a lot easier to smile.

<i>Maple Grove has a Child Protection Policy</i>		
	This Week	Next Week
Nursery - SS	Krissy & Clint Bonson	Esther Hartzler & Sheila Penepacker
Nursery - Worship	Nancy Kauffman & Marilyn Spangler	Pearl Stanbrough & Amber Penepacker
Sound Technician	John Baker	Jared Byler



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