
Maple Grove Mennonite Church

October 18, 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	Pat McKeehan
Welcome & Opening	Alan Kauffman
Worship in Song	Andrea Yoder
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 11:1-4a
Sermon	“Quick of Scent” Scott Miller
Response Song	
Final Blessing	
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Share & Prayer	
Sending Song	

October 11, 2020	
Offering \$2,425.00	Attendance SS: 66 WS: 73

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: John & Jen Baker and Robert & Karen Zook

- ◆ Chris Tatom is preparing to preach next Sunday. Remember him as he prepares.
- ◆ Continue to remember Tina Paden as she recovers from her MS flare-up and Cindy Esh as she recovers from ankle surgery.
- ◆ “Be Kind” signs are sprinkled throughout our community. Pray that in our differences we can be kind to each other.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ If God colors leaves that nobody sees, think how much God loves and cares for you and give thanks!
- ◆ Give thanks for Scott Miller’s willingness to share with us today and for the ways God has used him to bless others.
- ◆ Smiles are free and more contagious than coronavirus. Share yours freely this week. 😊

There will be a **mission offering** next Sunday, Oct. 25. It will be divided between Central PA Youth Ministries and Gator Camp.

We currently have four **house fellowship groups** that are meeting. If you are interested in being part of a new group, let the office know. The frequency and time the groups meet and what is studied is up to each group.

In addition to the recent sheet distributed by the deaconesses, another way we could **help care for others** would be to give caregivers an occasional break. If you would be willing to sit with somebody for a few hours every now and then so a caregiver could do some other things, let the office know ASAP. Thanks for considering this ministry.

The **Pastor Congregation Relations Committee** (PCRC) current members are Dan Durst, Sue Farrell, and Ray Yoder. If you have anything you want to discuss, please let one of them know. Thank you.

Parents: Since we are now videotaping our services, we want to be sensitive to having your child(ren) videotaped, since it goes out to Facebook and anybody can view it. If this is something you would prefer to not have happen with your child(ren), please contact the office.

Did you know the church offers the following to assist you: 1) Our elevator is for anyone that has any trouble with steps; 2) Sound Mates are in the usher area for anyone with hearing difficulties; 3) Large print bulletins are available from the office for those needing them.

Alan Kauffman will be on **vacation** this Wednesday through the weekend. Give pastoral concerns to one of the members of the Ministerial Team: Jason Yoder, Ed Yoder, Doug Peachey, Ruby Yoder, Andrea Yoder & Kristin Kauffman.

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 *this coming 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.

Today is the deadline to:

- Let the office know if you or someone you know is interested in cleaning the church.
- Let Alan know if you are interested in joining Maple Grove.

- Submit articles to Lynn Peachey on thankfulness for November Maple Leaf.
- Let Erin or JoAnn Byler know if interested in going to Baltimore Operation Christmas Child Processing Center on Wed., Dec. 2. There are 10 persons going so far.

Next Sunday is the last day to:

- Donate shampoo, combs and brushes to Shelter Services.
- Donate Operation Christmas Child gifts or money

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

The PA Relief Sale will hold an **online quilt auction** on October 24 at 10:00 AM. To browse, bid or buy go to pareliefsale.org.

Food for thought from your Health Promoter: Dar Yoder – My happiness today is simply the result of my thinking. Happiness starts with you, not with your relationships, not with your job, not with our money, but with you! It is not always easy to find happiness in ourselves, but it is always impossible to find it elsewhere. Regardless of the situation you face, your attitude is your choice. Remember, you can't have a positive life with a negative attitude. When negativity controls your thoughts, it limits your behavior, actions and opportunities. If you realized how powerful your thoughts were, you would try your best to never think another negative thought again.

<i>Maple Grove has a Child Protection Policy</i>		
	This Week	Next Week
Nursery - SS	Esther Hartzler & Sheila Penepacker	Krissy Bonson & Dar Yoder
Nursery - Worship	Pearl Stanbrough & Amber Penepacker	Kay Peachey & Deb Durst
Sound Technician	Jared Byler	John Baker



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