

**Maple Grove Mennonite Church
December 20, 2020**

View our service on Maple Grove's Facebook page at 10:30 Sunday morning. Alan's sermon title is "Nothing is Impossible with God!"

December 13, 2020	
Offering \$3,325.00	Building Fund \$50.00

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to pray for this week: Jeff & Jolene Byler and Will & Betsy Yoder
- ◆ We will be recording 2 services this coming week (Tuesday and Wednesday). Pray for all who will be participating.
- ◆ Pray for those who will be traveling this coming week for the holidays.
- ◆ For the many people who will be celebrating Christmas without loved ones (who either have died or will not be traveling home or who are observing smaller gatherings), remember them in prayer.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Wash me and I will be whiter than snow! Give thanks for this promise that was on display for us this week!
- ◆ So many people we know have or are suffering from dementia. Give thanks for your healthy mind.
- ◆ I bring you good news of great joy that shall be for all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord! Give thanks to God for the most precious gift we have ever or could ever receive.

Senior Birthday This Week
Leroy Kanagy December 23

The **2021 church birthday and anniversary calendar** is available under the church mailboxes and inside the front door. Help yourselves!

This Sunday, December 20, is the last Sunday to contribute toward our **Christmas Eve offering** project for the Big Valley Ambulance Club.

The **bulletin** will be produced on Thursday the next two weeks. Have announcements and any other information to the office by Thursday morning at 8:30 on December 24 and December 31.

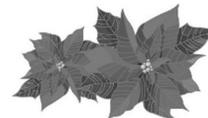
Alan Kauffman will be taking some **vacation** time over the next 2 weeks. He will be taking off Thursday through Sunday this coming week and every day the following week except Thursday. Phonetree messages can be directed to Jason Yoder during this time.

The **slate** of open positions was approved by Council this week. It will be in the bulletin December 27 and January 3 and the congregation will take action on it January 10.

Council made a decision to not have **in-person worship services** through January 3. They will re-evaluate numbers after January 3.

The audio of our 2018 **Christmas Eve service** will be available for you to listen to on Christmas Eve. You can access it by clicking on the link on our Facebook page.

For the month of December we will be collecting **underwear** for Shelter Services. They need all sizes of underwear for men, women and children. You can place them in the basket in the foyer anytime *this coming week or next*. We are no longer collecting coats.



HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS!

Food for thought from your Health Promoter – Dar Yoder: The work is worth it. Lose the expectation that everything in life should be easy. It rarely is. In fact, there are no shortcuts to any place worth going. Enjoy the value in your efforts and be patient with yourself. Realize that patience is not about waiting; it's the ability to keep a good attitude while working hard on your dreams. It's knowing deep down that the work is well worth it in the end.

New to the Bulletin Board

- ◆ Thank you letter from Shelter Services for coats



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