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**Maple Grove Mennonite Church**

**November 14, 2021**

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.*

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Prelude	Worship Team
Welcome & Opening	Leonard Yoder
Worship in Song	Worship Team
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Prayer for the Offerings (Regular & Shoeboxes)	
Dismissal for Children's Church    K-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lisa Rheam
Mission Moment    Mennonite Disaster Service	Larry Stoner
Sharing: Where have you seen God? Where do you need God?	
Scripture Reading    Mark 13:1-8	
Sermon "Now you see it, then you won't!"	Alan Kauffman
Response Song	
Final Blessing	
Sending Song	

<b>November 7, 2021</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
\$4,395.00	SS:79    WS:103

**This Week:**

Monday, November 15, 6:00 - Council Meeting

Monday, November 15, 6:00-9:00 PM - Group 12 in FH

**Next Week's Text:** Mark 12:28-34

**Looking Ahead:**

Nov. 21 - Implementation Team Sharing (Reversed SS/Worship)

December 5 - Dale Stoltzfus and Keith Weaver Here

December 12 - Primary Department Christmas Program

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service

**Prayer Concerns:**

- ◆ Our two church families to pray for this week: Scott, Emily, Jacob & Lydia Brown and Lavern & Kathy Yutzky
- ◆ The Implementation Team is preparing to share during the 9:30 worship service next Sunday. Pray for them as they prepare.
- ◆ Council meets tomorrow evening. Pray for the discernment and decisions they need to make.
- ◆ During Children's Church today, the children will be working on a project for our shut-ins for Advent/Christmas. Pray for the shut-ins from our congregation and others you know.

**Praise Notes:**

- ◆ As Larry Stoner shares with us today, give thanks for the many lives that have been touched by the ministry of Mennonite Disaster Service over the years.
- ◆ The Advent devotional booklets are ready. Give thanks for the many contributors from Maple Grove.
- ◆ Last Sunday afternoon was our Operation Christmas Child event and a number of people from our congregation were part of a workday on Tuesday at the Mennonite Central Committee Resource Center. Praise God for these and other volunteer workers that makes a difference in a hurting world.

**Reminder:** We are having a **combined adult Sunday School hour** today in the auditorium. Larry Stoner from Mennonite Disaster Service is here to share about the work of MDS.

**Thank you** all so much for any and every expression of appreciation that you offered to us during the month of October. We were deeply moved by your words of affirmation and for the extremely generous gift of money given to us, not to mention the creativity in which it was given. We trust that you know how honored and blessed we are to serve God and you at Maple Grove. We love you.

Alan & Nancy Kauffman

**Thank you so much** to everyone who was here last Sunday evening to help with the shoeboxes! We had a good turnout and a great time filling all the boxes! Thanks to each one who contributed toward the gifts and postage, helped organize and sort the items, filled boxes, manned the stations, and helped with cleanup. What a blessing when we all do our part! We filled 208 boxes and all shipping charges are covered! We will not be taking a group to the processing center in Baltimore this year but hope to go again next year. Thanks again, and God bless you all! Erin Byler

Beginning this Sunday, some changes are happening: 1) Only the sermon will be appearing on our website. If you want to hear the entire service, you can request a CD or check out the CD of the service from the library. 2) Share & Prayer is being moved to its traditional spot in our order of worship and is being renamed to “Where have you seen God & Where do you need God?”

Our **2021 Advent devotional booklets** are available under the mailboxes. The booklet is written by members of our church family and runs from November 28 through Christmas Day. Help yourself and feel free to take an extra one to share with a friend!

Our **Christmas Eve offering** will be for Shelter Services homeless shelter. The shelter has experienced major financial shortfalls this year with \$50,000 in grants no longer available and decreased giving in general. We will be receiving offerings Christmas Eve and during the entire Advent Season. More details to come. Andrea Yoder and

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	This Week	Next Week
Nursery – SS	Clint & Krissy Bonson	Esther Hartlzer & Dar Yoder
Nursery - Worship	Nancy Kauffman & Marilyn Spangler	Clint & Krissy Bonson
Sound Technician	John Baker	Jared Byler

Lavern Yutzy serve on the shelter board if you have questions.

Next Sunday, November 21, **Sunday School and Worship will be reversed.** The Implementation Team will be sharing during part of the 9:30 worship time and the 10:30 Sunday School hour will be to discuss what the Implementation Team shared. Questions will be provided for the SS class discussion. *The bells for the conclusion of SS will ring at 11:25 and 11:30 so children can be dismissed to join their parents.* Please plan to be part of this important new piece of our congregational life together.

**LMC's new mailing address** is: LMC, PO Box 1635, Lancaster PA 17608-1635.

Walking Roots Band will be presenting a **Christmas Concert** “Singing Light” on Saturday, December 11 at 7:00 PM at Stumptown Mennonite Church in Bird in Hand, PA. If you attend in person, masks are required. If you are unable to attend in person, you can view it virtually on the PA Relief Sale YouTube channel. It is free to attend, however, the event will include opportunities to financially support the programs and missions of the Mennonite Central Committee.

If you have **changes to our 2022 church birthday/anniversary calendar**, please let the office know by Nov. 28.

Today is the **last day** to contribute soup or boxed macaroni/cheese to Backyard Club. There will be no collection in December.

During the month of November, we are collecting **boxes of tissues** for Shelter Services, Inc.

New to the Bulletin Board

- ◆ International Gifts Sale Poster
- ◆ Thank you note from Shelter Services for \$1,500 donation



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

