

8:30 - 9:15—Informal Fellowship
9:30 AM—Sunday School
10:30 AM—Corporate Worship



*Disciples of Jesus,
Revealing His Kingdom
Through Love, Spiritual Growth,
and Service Together*

February 9, 2020

GATHERING

Prelude

Opening Song

He Has Made Me Glad

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

PRAISING

Songs of Praise

STS #62 *Create in Me a Clean Heart
Living Waters*

Offering – General Fund

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture

Colossians 3:12-17

Message

Family Traits

RESPONDING

Song of Response

HWB #420 *Heart with Loving Heart United*

Congregational Sharing/Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song

They'll know We are Christians

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

Sermon:	Terry Shue	Offertory:	Julie Yoder
Worship Leader:	Matthew Manchester	Greeters:	Larry & Ruth Hills (Main Doors)
Song Leader:	Renee Koshmider		Arrie Ledsome (Education Door)

HWB-Hymnal Worship Book (blue) / TMH-The Mennonite Hymnal (red)
STJ-Sing the Journey (green) / STS-Sing the Story (purple)
Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314

BAPTISM AND MEMBERSHIP

Are you interested in exploring baptism or membership at Maple Grove?

If so, we would love to discuss that with you. Please reach out to Pastor Terry if you would like to learn more.

Maple Grove will be offering a class called “Exploring Baptism” on Sunday mornings in place of the high school youth class. A summary of the class is below. The content of the class is not specifically on baptism so it will be relevant for those that have already been baptized, those wanting to be baptized soon, and those that may want to consider baptism down the road. Maple Grove plans to have a baptismal service in late spring for those that would like to be baptized. This class is open to those younger and older than youth age that want to explore this topic. Attendance of this class does not mean a decision to be baptized has been made. If you have questions, please reach out to Myron Weaver or Gary Sommers.

“Exploring Baptism”

Knowing about Jesus is not the same as knowing Jesus, following Him, and having a life changing relationship with Him. Beginning on February 16th, Myron Weaver and Michael Yoder will take the youth through Michele Hershberger's book “God's Story, Our Story.” Through the class we will look at the following questions:

- *What does it mean to be a Christian?*
- *How can I make sense of my life?*
- *What's really going on in the Bible?*
- *Why is the church so important to God?*

This study will be an introduction to Christian faith from an Anabaptist perspective. We will also visit Behalt, where we will see the cyclorama which tells the story of humankind and the early and continuing development of the Christian church.

MIDWEEK – FEBRUARY 12 & 19 & MARCH 4

Starts with a meal @ 6:00 PM

The meal this Wednesday is
pasta bake, salad, applesauce, fruit & brownies.

Winter Midweek Program starts this Wednesday.

Ministry of Congregational Care has scheduled the following Wednesday evenings for Maple Grove's midweek program.

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| Feb. 12 | Meal & meditation - for all ages.
6:00-6:45pm - Meal
6:45-6:55pm - Meditation |
| Feb. 19 | Meal & Discussion / Children's Activities (see below)
6:00-6:45pm - Meal
6:45-7:45pm - Pastor Terry will lead discussion on
what are your expectations of a pastor.
- Activities will be planned for children. |
| Feb. 26 | 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service (no meal) |
| March 4 | Meal & Service Projects – for all ages!
6:00-6:45pm - Meal - Followed by comforter knotting
and assembling MCC kits. |

If you have any questions, please see a member of MOCC: Dan Dutcher, Paul Bontrager, Gary Sommers, Marty Miller and Pastor Terry Shue.

February 19 Midweek Children's Activities

For children in grades 1-8 (Kids' Club and Jr. Youth), they will be eating supper at church from 6-6:30pm. Promptly at 6:30pm, we will leave to go to Glazed and Amused in North Canton to paint pottery. Please send \$8 with your child. We will be returning by the end of the night. Questions can be directed to Ruth or Michael Yoder.

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

FISH Collection: Brown bags are available for the collection for Lake Township FISH. Items requested are:

- Canned pineapple
- Applesauce
- Crackers
- Shampoo

Please return items to the church by next Sunday.

You may also give through the offering by marking your giving envelope for FISH

The second Thursday of each month is Maple Grove's turn to supply volunteers at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe. Men and women are needed this Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

All-Church Social – Next Sunday, February 16

Family Ministry has scheduled a game night at the church next Sunday, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. All ages are welcome! Please bring games to play – pizza, snacks and drinks will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry: Kathy Cartner, Marsha Miller, Charla Sommers & Sheryl Weaver.

Freezer meals are available for those in need.

Meals have been prepared and are in the freezer at the church to be taken to someone in need, whether it's someone in the church or a neighbor or a friend, coming home from the hospital or a situation where they could use some help. There is chicken pot pie, tater tot casserole, ham & potato casserole, and apple crisp. All are labeled with heating instructions. To take a meal to someone, please sign out the meal in the church office and let Cindy know what meal you are taking and who it's going to. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry – Marsha Miller, Kathy Cartner, Charla Sommers and Sheryl Weaver.

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS – continued

Want to be a greeter on Sunday mornings? Individuals, couples and families are all welcome to sign up. Please write your name down on the month you are available for on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the church lobby or contact Lois Bontrager, Ministry of Worship.

Offering Last Sunday, February 2nd: **Attendance Last Sunday:** 102

General Fund	\$ 3,500.50
Education Fund	250.00
Charity Fund	100.00
Youth Group Fundraiser	100.00
Total Offering	<u>\$ 3,950.50</u>

The 2019 year-end giving statements are under the mailboxes in envelopes marked with your offering number. Please pick up your numbered envelope. In order to receive a year-end giving statement, you must have an offering number. If you currently do not have an offering number, please contact Ryan Miller. The offering envelopes are designed so you can designate your offering to specific funds. If funds are not designated on the envelope, they are included in the General offering except for the 3rd Sunday of each month which is Education Sunday and non-designated funds go to the Education fund. **For accurate recording, please mark the front of your envelope with your offering number as well as designation of funds. If you have any questions, please contact John Koshmider, the church treasurer. Thank you!**



The Youth Group would like to thank you for your support of the fundraiser lunch held January 26th. We were able to raise \$893.00 to go toward Youth Group activities. We are blessed by your offering and continued support!

John & Ann Raber would like to thank the “Kids Club” and leaders Mike & Ruth Yoder for the card and party mix.

Bulletin Board & Literature Rack Updates (in church lobby)

- Flyer for “The Frohliche Dorf Show” at Central Christian School on Saturday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. To purchase tickets, go to www.ccscomets.org.
- Flyer for Central Christian School Annual Auction on Saturday, March 14. Breakfast: 7-9:00 a.m. – Auction: 9:00 a.m.
- Thank you letter from MCC for items donated in 2019
- Thank you letter from Hartville Thrift Shoppe for a total of 222 volunteer hours during 4th quarter of 2019 by: Maria Eklich, Mary Hilmer, Twila Miller, Veronica Miller, Carol Sommers, and Scott Sommers on the Board of Directors.
- Hartville Thrift Shoppe is introducing a Service Grant Program for church-related service projects where funds are needed. Flyer with details is posted.

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Terry Shue Bridge Pastor

Day in the office: Tuesday

Cindy Fleming Secretary@maplegroovemennonite.org

Days in the office: Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Friday 8am-1pm

Ministry of Congregational Care Members:

Dan Dutcher Gary Sommers

Paul Bontrager Marty Miller

Prayer Chain Contacts: Kami Sommers and Jen Geiser

Congregational Care Contacts:

Clara Sommers Harold Beachy

Dan Dutcher Matthew Manchester

Dorothy Shrock Rhoda Sommers

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – CHILDREN & YOUTH

	Classroom	Teachers
PreK-Kindergarten	Rooms 1-2	Becky Shrock & Jill Liechty
Grades 1-4	Rooms 3-4	Sheryl Weaver
Jr. Youth (Gr. 5-8)	Rooms 5-6	Matthew Manchester
Youth (Gr. 9-12)	Basement	Kami Sommers & Michael Yoder

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - ADULTS

Women's Class	- Sewing Room	Mixed Post-High/20's-40's Class - Basement
Sr. Women's	- Room 9	Mixed Intergenerational - Education Side
Sr. Men's	- Room 10	

REFRIGERATOR NEWS

THIS WEEK AT MAPLE GROVE

- Monday** - 7:00 p.m. Ministry of Education Meeting
Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. Sr. Men's Bible Study
Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. Midweek Program
Thursday - 6:00 p.m. Volunteers needed @ Hartville Thrift Shoppe

LOOKING AHEAD

- February 16 - "Exploring Baptism" classes begin during Sunday School
- Sermon: Jeff Knori, LCCS Campus Pastor/Principal
- Collection for Lake Township FISH
- All-Church Social – Game Night @ the Church – 5-8:00 p.m.
February 18 - Ministry of Worship Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
- Ministry of Congregational Care Meeting – 4:00 p.m.
February 19 - Midweek Meal – 6:00 / Class – 6:45-7:45 p.m.
February 26 - Ash Wednesday Service – 7:00 p.m.
March 1 - First Sunday of Lent
March 7 - Annual Conference Assembly for OH Mennonite Conference
@ Sharon Mennonite Church in Plain City
March 4 - Midweek Meal – 6:00 p.m. / followed by Service Projects
March 8 - Daylight Saving Time begins

YOUTH NEWS

- Wed.-Feb. 5 - Watch Kaydri Sommers' basketball game @ LCCS
– 6:00 p.m. followed by McDonald's
Sun.-Feb. 16 - "Exploring Baptism" classes begin during Sunday School
- All-Church Social – Game Night @ the Church – 5-8:00 p.m.
Wed.-Feb.26 - Ash Wednesday Service – 7:00 p.m.
Wed.-March 4 - Midweek Meal – 6:00 p.m. / followed by Service Projects
Sun.-March 8 - Youth Mentor Event – more details will follow

FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH:

- Pray for Tom Lubbers who was hospitalized for blood clots and kidney stones and is now recuperating at home.
- Pray for Mary Eklich; Eugene Miller; Jim Miller; Ann Raber; Harold Beachy; Mabel Weaver; Henry Sommers, Jr.; Leslie, Korey, Emma & Ayden Miller.
- Pray for the Pastor Search Committee: Paul Bontrager, Jen Geiser, Jill Liechty, Perry Miller and Scott Sommers.

ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for Ryder Brown (grandson of Julie Yoder's friends who has cancer).
- Pray for Olive, Marv & Rhoda Sommers' granddaughter, who is recovering from her liver transplant. Pray for strength for the whole family.
- Pray for Alta Bates' son, Steve Keim, who is recovering from bypass heart surgery.



The Nursery is available for 0-3 years old during the worship service.

Nursery Attendant Today: Sheryl Weaver

A children's activity bin is available at the back of the sanctuary for the children to use during the service.

- Please take toys to your seat and return the items to the bins after the service each week.
- A small table is available in the back of the sanctuary for parents who may need a place to sit with their young children during the service.