

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

Watch Sunday's service live at 10:30 a.m. at www.mgmennonite.org

9:30am Sunday School

10:20am Adult classes dismissed for worship

10:25am Children & youth classes dismissed for worship

Weekly Newsletter dated November 13, 2020 10:30am Corporate Worship

Maple Grove Reopening Guidelines

Sunday's Service - November 15, 2020

Message: Terry Shue

Worship Leader: Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler

Song Leader: Renee Koshmider



<u>GATHERING</u>

Prelude

Opening Song HWB #20 Come and See

Welcome & Announcements Call to Worship/Prayer

PRAISING

Songs of Praise HWB #76 Praise, I Will Praise You Lord

Take My Life

Goodness of God

Prayer for Offering

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Philippians 4:4-9

Message Of Dumpster Fires and Gardens

RESPONDING

Song of Response HWB #46 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Congregational Sharing/Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song Peace in Christ

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

HWB-Hymnal Worship Book (blue) TMH-The Mennonite Hymnal (red)
STJ-Sing the Journey (green) STS-Sing the Story (purple)
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- ₱ Pray for Larry Hills who is recovering from pneumonia.
- ♣ Pray for John Hilmer (Mary Hilmer's son) who was hospitalized with complications from his cancer.
- ⊕ Pray for Nelson Schlabach and Henry Sommers, Jr. for health issues.



Nathanael & Savanah want to meet you!

We have met many of you but not all!

We want to continue to get to know everyone at Maple Grove. Please help us get to know you!

It would be helpful to know these things:

- When are you typically available?
 - O What days and what time of day?
- How might you like to meet?
 - It could be a meal, going for a walk, watching a Browns game, playing disc golf, stopping by my office, etc.
- Who all to meet with?
 - O Do you want to meet with just me? Me and Savanah? Just Savanah? Our dogs?

Contact me or Savanah whatever way works best for you – by phone or email.

Or talk to us in person!

WE WANT TO GET TO KNOW YOU!!!



Offering Last Sunday, November 8 Attendance: 83

 General Fund
 \$ 4,055.64

 Education Fund
 1,859.50

 Lake Township FISH
 180.00

 Total Offering
 \$ 6,095.14

November 15th is Education Sunday;

non-designated funds from the offering will go toward the Education Fund.



OUTREACH

Collection for FISH – donate today!

The Ministry of Outreach is having a collection for Lake Township FISH. In lieu of groceries, there will be an offering of funding on two Sundays – November 8 & 15. Please mark your giving envelope for FISH if you would like to donate.

<u>Don't forget to save your Acme receipts to benefit Lake Township FISH!</u> A collection box for the receipts is under the mailboxes at the church. A percentage of the cash back amount printed on the bottom of each receipt will be donated to FISH. Thank you – Ministry of Outreach

REMINDER: Family Ministry has freezer meals available for those in need in the refrigerator at the church. These can 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 someone could just use some help. The meals are ham & scalloped potatoes and rigatoni. Fruit slush is available for dessert. All are labeled with heating instructions. To take a meal to someone, please let Cindy in the church office know what meal you are taking and who it is going to. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry – Sheryl Weaver, Charla Sommers, Kathy Cartner, Marsha Miller

Deck the Halls & Stock the Store



Lighthouse Ministries' Affordable Christmas program is for families in the southeast neighborhood of Canton surrounding the Lighthouse. In purchasing presents for kids, the real gift you are offering is dignity for a parent to provide for their children.

- The presents you purchase will be sold at an affordable price in a "store" run by the Lighthouse.
- The purpose is to support and empower neighborhood parents in their roles as provider and caregiver for their children.
- The lists of gifts you see on the board in the church lobby were generated by responses to surveys that were distributed to parents and caregivers of the children who use the Lighthouse services.
- Affordable means the gifts will be marked down so that the most the parent pays is 25% of the purchase price. For some of the higher priced gifts, the maximum the parent pays is less than 25%.

All gifts should be returned UNWRAPPED with the purchase price listed somewhere on the packaging by Wednesday, December 2. Please tape the tag on the gift.

Any questions, please contact Holly Miller.





In the craziness of 2020 and through this uncertainty of what our winter will look like, LOC is working to ensure that they can still partner with you and meet the needs of our community.

- This year, we will be offering gift cards at a fraction of the cost to our families in lieu of physical gifts.
- In addition to the gift cards, the LOC Warehouse will be open to shop the clothing closet, and shoppers receive a blanket, toiletries, socks and shoes, books, and games for their children.
- We are confident that this change will ensure that we can continue to provide holiday assistance to families in need in our community. For the future, our hope is that we will be able to return to our original LOC Christmas event in years to come.
- For more information, visit Love Our Community's website <u>www.loveourcommunity.net</u>.

<u>If you would like to contribute to LOC Christmas event</u>, you may purchase gift cards and bring to the church – a collection box for the gift cards is on the table at the church. Love Our Community has provided a list of gift card suggestions which is below. You may also make monetary donations through the offering. We will collect through the month of November. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Miller.

GIFT CARD AMOUNTS:	STORES/RESTAURANT IDEAS:
\$10	Burger King, Dairy Queen, Dominoes, Dunkin' Donuts, Front Porch Cafe, McDonald's, Peace, Love & Little Donuts, Pizza BOGO, Pizza Hut, Romeo's Pizza, Starbucks, Subway, Taco Bell/KFC, Wendy's, other local restaurants, etc.
\$20	Amazon, Dick's Sporting Goods, Front Porch Cafe, Hartville Hardware, Kohl's, Peace, Love & Little Donuts, Sheetz, Starbucks, Target, The Shops at Hartville Kitchen, Ulta, Walmart, other local stores & restaurants, etc.
\$40	Amazon, Baby Sweet Pea's, Beatty's Sports, Best Bib & Tucker, Best Buy, Big Lots, Dick's Sporting Goods, Hallstar Sports, Hartville Hardware, Ritchies Sporting Goods, Kohl's, Target, The Shops at Hartville Kitchen, Two E's In a Pod, Ulta, Walmart, other local stores, etc.
\$60	Amazon, Best Bib & Tucker, Best Buy, Big Lots, Dick's Sporting Goods, Hartville Hardware, Kohl's, Target, The Shops at Hartville Kitchen, Ulta, Walmart, other local stores, etc.

Advent-At-Home Devotionals and free webinar on "Advent with Children"

Mennonite Church USA invites you to join Talashia Keim Yoder, writer of this year's "Advent at Home" devotional, for a **free webinar on "Advent with Children,"** Sunday, November 22 at 3 p.m. The author will share simple ways to celebrate Advent as a family, as well as various ways to use the devotional. Register by Thursday, November 19: https://bit.ly/37Lttbo. Click here to get more information on Advent-At-Home devotionals and a free download of the devotional. Copies of the devotional are also available on the literature rack at the church.

Thank you from Lighthouse Ministries in Canton

To our sisters and brothers at Maple Grove Mennonite Church,

My name is Sean Swanson and I have the honor of serving on the board for Lighthouse Ministries. I wanted to take a moment to say "thank you" for your generosity to the Lighthouse!

Our mission is, "to impact the youth of our neighborhood with the love of Christ," and through your gift, we are able to continue to be about the work that God has called us to in Southeast Canton.

Thank you again for partnering with us as we partner with Christ and His Kingdom! Grace & Peace, Sean Swanson

<u>Digital newsletters available – paper copies are available at the church:</u>

- Lighthouse Ministries newsletter "The Beacon" is available by clicking here.
- MCC Great Lakes monthly newsletter "In Touch"
- Read Hartville Migrant Ministry thank you letter



The Ohio MCC Comforter Bash originally scheduled for April 2021 has been postponed for one year. In the meantime, we encourage you to continue making comforters for MCC in your homes or churches. These handmade comforters bring hope and comfort to the people who receive them. They provide not only warmth, but also a tangible message that their needs are not forgotten. We also invite you to continue making comforter tops and backs (60" x 80"), and we will collect them at the Material Resources Center in Kidron for the Ohio MCC Comforter Bash in April 2022. Contact Sarah Geiser at SarahGeiser@mcc.org or (330) 201-4515 for more information.

<u>Check out the new "On the Move – En Movimiento" podcast from MCC that uses storytelling to challenge current narratives of migration</u>. In the first episode, Ron Byler, recently retired executive director for MCC U.S., reflects on his January 2020 pilgrimage along the southern U.S. border. Ron drove and walked along the border wall and visited with communities on both sides of the border. He shares about the communities, the people and what this pilgrimage has meant for him. For more information and to listen to the podcast, visit <u>mcc.org/move-en-movimiento</u>.



2 Corinthians 9:11

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

Two ways that you can help Adriel fulfill their mission this holiday season:

1. 2021 Calendar Fundraiser:

Calendars feature artwork and photos from Adriel youth and foster families. Calendars are available for \$20 a piece - which includes shipping straight to your door! Proceeds benefit children and families in need through Adriel's various programs. Place your order here by November 20th.

2. Angel Tree Project:

Sponsor an Adriel youth for Christmas this year. Visit https://Adriel.networkforgood.com/projects/112063-adriel-christmas-angel-tree. Your support will ensure that every child in Adriel's care will receive a Christmas gift just for them. Your \$25 donation will enable Adriel to purchase a gift for a child from their individual wish list and ship directly to their foster home.

Email <u>foundation@adriel.org</u> with any questions or for additional information. Thank you for your support and generosity!

To include something in the newsletter, please contact Cindy by noon on Wednesday – thank you!

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Prayer Chain Contacts: Jen Geiser and Kami Sommers

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – adult classes dismissed 10 minutes before worship / children & youth 5 minutes before

Women's Class in Sewing Room-Education Side Sr. Women's Class in Room 9
Mixed Intergenerational Class in Adult SS Room-Education Side Sr. Men's Class in Room 10

Mixed Post-High/20's-40's Class in Basement

Children's Sunday School Classes with rooms and teachers:

PreK-1st grade in Rms. 1-2 Ruth Yoder 5th-8th grade in Rms. 5-6 Matthew Manchester 2nd-4th grade in Rms. 3-4 Sheryl Weaver/Lesli Miller Youth in Basement Michael Yoder/Myron Weaver