

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

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

Weekly Newsletter dated March 5, 2021

Sunday's Service – March 7, 2021 lent Lent 3: Deep in the Changing Sky: Called to Deep Wisdom In the patterns and glory of God's creation, and in God's commandments and promises, we are called to obtain deep wisdom. God's wisdom undermines our assumptions and takes us deeper than our efforts can lead us. Terrv Shue Ruth Yoder Message: Song Leader: Worship Leader: Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler Children's Time: Koby Miller GATHERING Prelude **Opening Song** All Who Are Thirsty Welcome & Announcements Call to Worship & Praver Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. People: There is no speech . . . yet the voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. Leader: In the heavens you set a tent for the sun. ... Its rising is from the end of the heavens, its circuit to People: the end of them; nothing is hid from its heat. Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect . . . sure . . . clear . . . true and righteous. The fear of the Lord is pure. People: God, clear us from hidden faults: teach us to trust You. Let the words and meditations of our hearts be acceptable to You, O Lord, our rock ALL: and redeemer. We call out to You, as You call us to deeper wisdom. PRAISING Songs of Praise Christ is Mine Forevermore God of Wonders Prayer for Offering HEARING GOD'S WORD Children's Time Psalm 19 Scripture Eyes Wide Open! Message RESPONDING Song of Response STS #63 God. Fill Me Now Congregational Sharing/Prayer Confession & Assurance of Pardon Deep calls to deep. We call to You from the depths of our hearts. People: Leader: We confess when we have settled into sameness, forgetting the rhythms of the heavens, ignoring the rhythms of justice. We confess when we have not looked up into the eyes of a neighbor, into Your Word that still lives. (Silence. Or name the forces that keep us from deep wisdom.) Deep calls to deep. You call to us from the depth of Your love. Calling us to deep wisdom. We come to You, God. People: **SENDING** Sending Song HWB #414 God, Who Stretched Benediction/Blessing Worship Resources taken from the Leader Magazine Lent-Easter 2021 Postlude

Worship Resources taken from the <u>Leader Magazine Lent-Easter 2021</u> Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314 HWB-Hymnal Worship Book (blue) STJ-Sing the Journey (green) STS-Sing the Story (purple)



✤ Pray for healing for Harold & Nancy Beachy and their family.

If you have a prayer request you would like included in Sunday's service, you may text Pastor Nathanael to have it included – please see the recent Maple Grove News that was emailed or mailed to you for the number.



Offering Last Sunday, February 28General Fund\$ 5,973.18Education Fund800.00Total Offering\$ 6,773.18

Attendance: 61



In-person Sunday School Classes start back up this Sunday, March 7 at 9:30 a.m.

Coffee and donuts will be available. Below is a list of the classes. Please note that some of the room numbers have changed, although the classes are still in the same location.

Adult Classes

Women's Class: Room 1-Education Side Mixed Intergenerational Class: Room 2-Education Side Sr. Men's Class: Room 9-Hallway Sr. Women's Class: Room10-Hallway Mixed Post-High/20's-40's: Basement

Children/Youth Classes

PreK-1 st Grade:	Rooms 5-6
2 nd -4 th Grade:	Rooms 7-8
Jr. Youth (Grades 5-8):	Rooms 3-4
Youth (Grades 9-12):	Basement

REMINDER – THERE ARE STILL SOME FREEZER MEALS AVAILABLE

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: Marsha Miller, Vee Miller, Charla Sommers, Sheryl Weaver



<u>Kids Club (Grades 1-4) will be having a private watch party of the Lorax</u> <u>at Tinseltown in North Canton on Sunday, March 14th</u>.

We will meet at the church at 3:00 pm to go to the theater, or you can meet us there at 3:30. Bring money if you would like to buy snacks. Please let Jen Geiser or Kim Weaver know if you plan to attend.

Higher Education Grants from Maple Grove - Applications due by March 31

In an effort to encourage our members to pursue a Christian education that emphasizes the Anabaptist vision, Maple Grove has available a grant program for students enrolling in colleges and seminaries maintaining the Mennonite Anabaptist vision. Copies of Maple Grove's policy and the application form are available on the literature rack in the foyer. <u>Any interested students should</u> return the application to Maple Grove's Treasurer, John Koshmider, by March 31, 2021.



College Scholarships from Everence – Application Deadline is March 10th

Everence is continuing its college scholarship program for the 2021-2022 school year and will be accepting applications through March 10, 2021. The program awards scholarships of \$1,000, \$2,000 and \$3,000. To be eligible, the student or the student's parent must own or be using an Everence product. For more details or to apply, visit <u>everence.com/college-scholarships</u>.

Hartville Thrift Shoppe – "Operation Clean Sweep"

This is the time of year when donations are slow at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe. You can help us out by doing some early spring cleaning or just bringing in things you've been meaning to donate. Our donation room is open seven days a week, 6am-9pm (it's on the side of the building facing Marc's). We take almost everything, if you're unsure about an item, donation guidelines can be found by selecting the Donate tab at https://www.hartvillethriftshoppe.org/. Your continued support by volunteering, donating and shopping at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe allows us to fulfill our mission of supporting Mennonite Central Committee, a relief and development organization that works with our most vulnerable populations in the US and over 50 countries around the world.

Ohio Conference is excited to announce FIVE upcoming workshops to be held Thursday

evenings in March and April from 7 to 8 p.m. These free online workshops are open to EVERYONE, and we invite you to come and learn more about the Lord's work. On Thursday, March 11, Pastor Ramon Lianez from Central Mennonite Church will present, "Being Andrew: Sharing the Savior and Redeemer of the World." Participants in this workshop will rediscover what biblical evangelism is, what it is not, and how they can share the Gospel message to those around them in a simple manner. Come and rediscover simple yet powerful evangelism for a post-Christian society. Please register at https://bit.ly/OhioConferenceEvents by Monday, March 8.

Camp Luz is planning on hosting Summer Camp in 2021!

Registration is open at www.campluz.com. The Camp will be hosting an online Parents' Meeting on March 23 at 7:00pm for those who would like to learn more about our plans for this summer. Sign up for the parents meeting by calling the camp office or emailing Emily@campluz.com.

Prayer resources & announcements for March from Ohio Conference (copies are posted on the Conference bulletin board at the church):

- Please remember Ohio Conference congregations, pastors and related ministries in your prayers. The March-April issue of <u>Prayer Prompter</u> has been compiled by Dan Hooley, prayer coordinator for the Ohio Conference.
- *Prayer Vine*, a publication of Mennonite Mission Network, lists daily prayer requests for mission workers serving in locations around the world. The March issue of <u>*Prayer Vine*</u> is now available.
- Mennonite Education Agency has compiled <u>Prayers for Mennonite Education</u> for March. These
 prayer requests have been gathered from the member schools of Mennonite Schools Council,
 as well as the colleges, universities, seminaries and educational programs of Mennonite
 Church USA.
- MC USA announcements for the month of March are available <u>here</u>.

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Nathanael Hofstetter - Office Hours: Terry Shue: Cindy Fleming: - Office Hours: Ministry of Congregat Prayer Chain Contact	ional Care:	Pastor (pastornathanael@maplegrov Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday thru Th Associate Pastor Church Secretary (Secretary@maple Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Frida Paul Bontrager, Dan Dutcher, Ruth M Jen Geiser and Kami Sommers	ursday-1-3pm; Friday-Sabbath grovemennonite.org) ay – 8am-1pm

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