

Sunday's Service – May 2, 2021

GATHERING

Prelude HWB #20 *Come and See*
Opening Song
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship & Prayer

PRAISING

Songs of Praise STJ #18 *Over My Head*
10,000 Reasons (*Bless the Lord*)
Offering

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Acts 8:26-40
Message ***The Spirit Moves***

RESPONDING

Song of Response HWB #395 *Here I Am, Lord*
Congregational Sharing/Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song TMH #573 *All the Way My Savior Leads Me*
Benediction/Blessing
Postlude

Message: Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler
Worship Leader: Jill Liechty **Song Leader:** Ruth Yoder

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

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.



- ✝ Pray for Julie Yoder' friend, Linda Faulkner, who is in the hospital for a worsening blood disorder.
- ✝ Pray for John & Arlene Yoder as John is very sick with COVID and has been hospitalized.
- ✝ Continued prayers for healing for Harold & Nancy Beachy and their family.
- ✝ Pray for Scott Bruegger as he prepares for his upcoming Parole Hearing in June.
- ✝ Pray for peace and justice for the world as violence continues across the globe.



Offering Last Sunday, April 25

Attendance: 73

General Fund	\$ 4,594.94
Education Fund	250.00
Total Offering	<u>\$ 4,845.94</u>



Coffee Time & Fellowship @ Church – Sunday mornings

If you would like to help with supplying donuts and baked goods for coffee time on Sunday mornings, **please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the church foyer.** Sign up for a Sunday, and bring in 2 dozen donuts and homemade or store-bought baked goods. Please have at the church by 9:00 a.m. on Sunday morning. Any questions, please see Perry Miller.

The ladies' sewing group will meet for comforter knotting and quilting on Wednesday, May 5

Everyone is welcome to join us for a day of fellowship while we work on the comforters and quilt in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Twila Miller or Ruth Miller if you have any questions.



The Building & Grounds Committee is planning a spring cleaning and outside work night at the church on Wednesday, May 12th, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

We'll need everyone's help to be able to clean the entire church as well as spruce up the outside in one evening. So bring your buckets, rags, ladders, wheelbarrows and shovels, and join us for an evening of work and fellowship. If you have any questions, please see a member of the Building & Grounds Committee:
Larry Hills, AJ Geiser, Savannah Hofstetter Ressler & John Raber.

Family Ministry has a few freezer meals left 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. All the meals are labeled with heating instructions. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry – Sheryl Weaver, Charla Sommers, Kathy Cartner, Marsha Miller

Our Daily Bread devotionals for June-August 2021 are available on the literature rack at the church. Please help yourself!

Hartville Area Mennonite Student Aid Plan (HAMSAP) – applications due May 15

HAMSAP is a financial aid plan for students from Stark County-based congregations who would like to attend a Mennonite college or seminary. Please read more at the [HAMSAP brochure](#). The application forms need to be returned by May 15th for the 2021-2022 school year and can be accessed [here](#) from Maple Grove's website. Please furnish all of the information requested and return to a member of the HAMSAP committee: Lee Yoder, Paul Bontrager, Michael Yoder, or Chris Miller; or return to Maple Grove's church secretary, Cindy Fleming, at secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org.



FISH Collection – May 9 & 16: The Ministry of Outreach is holding a collection for Lake Township FISH on two Sundays in May. You may donate through the offering or bring in requested items. Brown bags will be available this Sunday for collecting items – please return May 9th or 16th. Needed items are:

- Crackers
- Pasta Sauce
- Sides (rice/noodles)
- Toilet Paper



**Ministry of Outreach Kicks-Off “My Coins Count”
Collection starting May 1st**

Share the love of Jesus with a thirsty world!

My Coins Count offering will go to MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) at the Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale in August. My Coins Count raises money for water projects sponsored by MCC to help provide clean drinking water and new wells for communities all over the world.

Water is Life!

➤ ***785 million people or 1 in 10 people on the planet today lack basic access to safe water.***

You may mark your offering envelope “My Coins Count” or drop your change in the wishing well. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Ministry of Outreach:

Harold Beachy, Howard Miller, Holly Miller & Matthew Manchester



Vehicle Donation Request: The Hartville Thrift Shoppe would like to provide furniture pickup/delivery service for our donors/customers. We have a trailer but are looking for a donated truck or cargo van to pull the trailer. If you have a truck or van you're willing to donate, please contact Phil Stauffer at the Thrift Shoppe. 330-877-2769. Thanks for the many ways you support the Hartville Thrift Shoppe and Mennonite Central Committee.

Adriel will hold a virtual Benefit Auction May 6-8. You can preview the items being offered beginning Saturday, May 1. Proceeds are used to benefit children and families in need. For more information, see www.adriel.org.

Everence® to hold online Medicare® webinar – May 6

The webinar will be at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 6. Topics will include when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare does (and doesn't) cover, and an explanation of parts A, B, C and D – in clear, understandable language. Visit www.everence.com/northeastohio for more webinar dates. Register soon by contacting Kelly Troyer at 800-986-9988, 330-857-9988 or kelly.troyer@everence.com. Or visit www.everence.com/northeastohio

Gospel Echoes Team invites you to join them on Tuesday, May 11, at the Hartville Kitchen for their Annual Banquet beginning at 6:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the Gospel Echoes Harvest, New Life & Mercy Roam Teams. There will be prison testimonies and an update on the ministry as well. For reservations, contact Nate & Denise Miller at 330-313-5542, or Joe & Patricia Hochstetler at 330-206-6655 or Elmer & Martha Gingerich at 330-324-2731 / 330-494-7432. Tickets are \$10/person (5 & under free). A freewill offering will be received for the ministry.

Announcements for May from Ohio Conference (copies available at the church):

- The May issue of [Prayer Vine](#) includes daily prayer requests from Mennonite Mission Network.
- MC USA announcements for the month of May are available [here](#).
- Prayers for faith and learning from Mennonite Education Agency: [Prayers for Mennonite Education](#)



Camp Luz is planning on hosting Summer Camps in 2021!

Camp Luz is working hard to ensure that we can run camps well during this time of COVID. The safety of our staff and campers is of utmost importance to us! We will continue to update our website with changes as they come. Registration is now open at www.campluz.com. See the flyer on the bulletin board at the church with camp dates.

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

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Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler: Pastor (pastornathanael@maplegrovemennonite.org)
 - Office Hours: Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday thru Thursday-1-3pm; Friday-Sabbath

Terry Shue: Associate Pastor

Cindy Fleming: Church Secretary (Secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org)
 - Office Hours: Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday – 8am-1pm

Ministry of Congregational Care: Paul Bontrager, Dan Dutcher, Ruth Miller, Gary Sommers

Prayer Chain Contacts: Jen Geiser and Kami Sommers

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE

Adult Classes		Children/Youth Classes	
Women's Class:	Room 1-Education Side	Mixed Post-High/20's-40's:	Basement
Mixed Intergenerational Class:	Room 2-Education Side	PreK-1st Grade:	Rooms 5-6
Sr. Men's Class:	Room 9-Hallway	2nd-4th Grade:	Rooms 7-8
Sr. Women's Class:	Room 10-Hallway	Jr. Youth (Grades 5-8):	Rooms 3-4
		Youth (Grades 9-12):	Basement