

## Sunday's Service – June 6, 2021

### **GATHERING**

Prelude

Opening Song

*Good Good Father*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

### **PRAISING**

Songs of Praise

*Living Hope  
It Is Well With My Soul*

Offering

### **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture

Genesis 3:8-15 (NRSV)

Message

***Ecology and Alienation***

### **RESPONDING**

Song of Response

*Who Am I*

Congregational Sharing/Prayer

### **SENDING**

Sending Song

*There is a Redeemer*

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

**Message:** Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler

**Worship Leader:** Jill Liechty

**Song Leader:** Tom Lubbers

*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 Mabel Weaver, Sara Mae Miller, and Twila Miller for health concerns.

- ✝ Pray for Julie Yoder's friend, Linda Faulkner, in Frederick, Maryland, that she continues to heal and praise for the good that is coming from this time for her and her family.
- ✝ Pray for Harold & Nancy Beachy's granddaughter Raquel who is fighting an infection. Pray for the infection to leave her body and for her to start gaining her strength. Praise for their granddaughter-in-law Brittany who is beginning to heal and improve. Continue to pray for Brittany for healing from the loss of her husband.
- ✝ Pray for peace and justice for the world as violence continues across the globe.



**Offering Last Sunday, May 30**

**Attendance: 57**

General Fund	\$ 1,702.00
Education Fund	500.00
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 2,202.00</b>



Dear friends of Maple Grove,

The past year and a half will be one that we long remember for a variety of reasons. Though it was unpredictable in many ways, I thank God for the opportunity to walk with your congregation, specifically Nathanael, Ministry of Congregational Care and Ministry of Worship, as we found our way to encourage the church to be the body of Christ. I would also like to thank Cindy for her steady and competent office support of the congregation during this time.

As you begin a new chapter of congregational life, I believe Maple Grove has a bright future with Nathanael as your pastor for many years to come.

Thanks for your many words of encouragement and the beautiful comforter and gift certificate given to us on Sunday. When we meet again it will be as friends!

In Christ,  
Terry Shue

**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 by clicking on the link below. Two dozen donuts and homemade or store-bought baked goods are needed. Please have at the church by 9am on Sunday morning. If you have any questions with signing up, please contact Jen Geiser. Thanks for your help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054EA9A92DA64-sunday>





**The second Thursday of each month is Maple Grove's turn to supply volunteers at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe.** Men and women are needed Thursday, June 10, at 6:00 p.m.

**Mark your calendars for VBS this summer!**

July 26-30 combined with Evermore Community Church. More details will follow. If you have any questions, please see Kim Weaver or Ruth Yoder.



**The Church Campout Weekend is being planned for August 14-15 at Lake O'Pines Campground.** Watch the newsletters for more information!



**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. **Share the love of Jesus with a thirsty world!**

- ✚ *The water crisis disproportionately affects women.*
- ✚ *In 80% of households without safe water, women and girls are responsible for gathering the day's water. This takes women and girls away from activities like working and going to school, trapping them in a cycle of poverty.*
- ✚ *And when it comes to giving birth, a lack of safe water in health centers results in up to eight percent of all maternal deaths globally. For women who don't die, infections make them and their infants dangerously sick.*
- ✚ *Safe water and sanitation creates a safer environment for women, one where women can live, pursue their dreams, and thrive as God intends.*

**MATCHING FUNDS:** We have an offer of matching funds for My Coins Count again this year up to \$20,000. For every dollar donated, it will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$20,000. So if the church can raise \$20,000 – we'll have \$40,000 to give to MCC at the Relief Sale!

**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*



**Lake Township FISH Virtual 5K Run/Walk 2021 runs between June 12-30.**

Register online today for our Virtual 5K! Submit your times online between June 12-30 and receive a 5K T-shirt! All proceeds from this event will benefit Lake Township FISH's efforts to serve our community members in need. Registration closes June 11 – click [here](#) to register.

**Climate Ride seeks to Raise Awareness on Climate Change**

The Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions (CSCS) is leading a cross-country bike ride to raise awareness regarding climate change and related issues, as well as to learn and to connect with people along the way. CSCS is a collaborative initiative of Goshen College, Eastern Mennonite University, and Mennonite Central Committee.

- The Climate Ride started in Seattle May 31 and will take about two months, ending in Washington, D.C. Sixteen young adult riders plan to complete the entire ride.
- There are opportunities to sign up to join the riders for a day, including one day in Ohio.
- Several virtual and in-person “community townhall” meetings are planned, including a meeting in Millersburg, Ohio, on Tuesday, July 20. That meeting will feature a conversation with Amish author David Kline on the topic “Living with the Land: Food and Climate.”
- To follow the progress of this ride, go to <http://bit.ly/2021ClimateRide>

**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](mailto:pastornathanael@maplegrovemennonite.org))  
 - Office Hours: Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday thru Thursday-1-3pm; Friday-Sabbath

Cindy Fleming: Church Secretary ([Secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org](mailto: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**

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<sup>st</sup> Grade: Rooms 5-6  
 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Rooms 7-8  
 Jr. Youth (Grades 5-8): Rooms 3-4  
 Youth (Grades 9-12): Basement