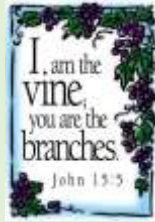


Sunday's Service – January 16, 2022

Abide and Bear Fruit

John 15:1-12 (NRSV)



GATHERING

Prelude
Opening Song
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship & Prayer

Blessed Be Your Name

PRAISING

Praise Songs
Offering – Education Fund

*All Things New
STS #116 I Saw a Tree by the Riverside*

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading
Message

John 15:1-12 (NRSV)

Abide and Bear Fruit

RESPONDING

Song of Response
Congregational Sharing/Prayer

HWB #487 Teach Me, O Lord

SENDING

Sending Song
Benediction/Blessing
Postlude

HWB #553 I Am Weak and I Need Thy Strength

Message: Danae King

Worship Leader: Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler

Song Leader: Renee Koshmider
& Offertory

Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314

HWB-Hymnal Worship Book (blue)

TMH-The Mennonite Hymnal (red)

STJ-Sing the Journey (green)

STS-Sing the Story (purple)

Worship SCHEDULE

On Sunday, Maple Grove welcomes Danae King to our worship service. Danae lives in Orrville and works from her home as a Donor Relations Associate for MCC Great Lakes. She graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary last May with a Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies. She is an active member of Orrville Mennonite Church, and in her free time enjoys reading, disc golfing, trying new recipes, and trying to keep her houseplants alive.



✝ Pray for those from our congregation with health concerns: Lois Bontrager, Margaret Miller, Marsha Miller, Sam Miller, Carol Sommers, and Lee Yoder.

✝ Pray for healing for others with ongoing health concerns: Marcus Yoder, Lois Bontrager and Ruth Hills' brother, who is in a rehab nursing facility; Barb Dutcher's brother-in-law Neal Orndorff on hospice.

✝ Pray for peace and justice throughout the world.



I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, the food and the flowers that I received during my recent recovery. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. Blessings, Margaret Miller

Offering Last Sunday, January 9, 2022

Attendance: 71



Thanks
for Your
Support!

General Fund	\$ 2,642.91
Ministry of Outreach	10,000.00
Total Offering	<u>\$ 12,642.91</u>

The third Sunday of each month is Education Sunday;

on January 16th, non-designated funds from the offering will go toward the Education Fund.

Coffee Time & Fellowship @ Church – Sunday mornings

Fellowship



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! Use this link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054ea9a92da64-coffee>



Church News

LCCS Corporation Bylaws Meeting – January 16: The Lake Center Christian School Board Members have requested a meeting with Maple Grove's LCCS Corporation Members to go over the new LCCS bylaws and answer any questions about them – an email was sent on Monday to Maple Grove's Corporation Members. The meeting is on Sunday, January 16, at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall at Maple Grove. Please see Pastor Nathanael if you have any questions.

Annual Congregational Business Meeting – January 30

The Ministry of Administration has scheduled the Annual Congregational Business Meeting for Sunday, January 30th. An email has been sent to the chairperson of each committee and ministry requesting an updated report for 2021. **If you haven't already turned in your report, please submit your report as soon as possible.**

- The Youth Group will have a fundraiser lunch after church before the meeting.
Please plan to join us after church for a haystack lunch and stay for the meeting.



Derby Car Race

The children and youth will be making derby cars over the winter and are planning to have a race in March or April. We would like to invite anyone in the congregation who is interested in making a car to race with us. If you would like to participate, please let Adam and Kim Weaver or AJ and Jen Geiser know by this Sunday, January 16th, so that we can get the cars ordered.

Ohio Conference will hold a Women in Leadership Retreat February 18-19, 2022, at the St. Francis Spirituality Center in Tiffin. The theme of the retreat is “Empowered by the Holy Spirit to lead like yourself.” The input speaker for this retreat will be Rebecca Slough, academic dean emerita and professor emerita of worship and the arts at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. **Maple Grove will sponsor any congregants that would like to attend – the deadline to register is January 28.** Please let Pastor Nathanael know if you are interested. For more information, please see the [retreat brochure](#) or click [here](#) to register. Copies of the brochure are on the literature rack at the church.



The 2021 year-end giving statements are under the mailboxes in envelopes marked with your offering number. Please pick up your numbered envelope. If you would like your giving statement mailed to you, please contact Cindy in the church office.

Offering Envelope Numbers

In order to receive a year-end statement of your offerings, you must have an offering number. To obtain an offering number, please contact Kami Sommers. 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 Fund with the exception of 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.



FISH Collection – January 30 & February 6



The Ministry of Outreach is having a collection for Lake Township FISH as part of their annual "Souper Bowl of Caring" project to tackle hunger – *Let's #TackleHunger Together!* 100% of the donations received for this event will go to Lake Township FISH to serve our community members in need.

Brown bags are available at the church for collecting non-perishable food and hygiene items (cereal, condiments, pasta sauce, crackers, baking mixes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, soap, etc.). Please bring to the church by February 6th – Super Bowl Sunday. You may also donate through the offering by marking your envelope for FISH.



The January-February issue of *Ohio Mennonite Evangel* from Ohio Conference is now available. Paper copies are available on the literature rack at the church.

Register by February 11 for 2022 Annual Conference Assembly (ACA) & Missional Conference

- Zion Mennonite Church in Archbold will host the 2022 ACA March 4-5. The theme of this year's gathering will be "Befriending the Neighborhood: Am I a Good Neighbor?" For more information about ACA, please see <https://bit.ly/2022ACAInfo>. To register online, go to <https://bit.ly/2022ACARegistration>.
- Zion Mennonite Church also will host a Missional Conference March 3-4 featuring speakers Howard and Cathy Wagler. For more information about the 2022 Missional Conference and to register, please go to <https://bit.ly/2022MissionalConference>. Printed copies of the registration brochure are available on the literature rack in the church lobby.

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

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 - Office Hours: Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday thru Thursday-1-3pm; Friday-Sabbath

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

Ministry of Congregational Care: Paul Bontrager, Dan Dutcher, Clara Sommers, 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-4th Grade: Rooms 7-8
 -Teachers: Lesli Miller & Sheryl Weaver
 Jr. Youth (Grades 5-8): Rooms 3-4
 - Teacher: Karen Miller
 Youth (Grades 9-12): Basement
 - Teacher: Kami Sommers