

Informal Fellowship - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes - 9:30a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. (Online at <u>www.mgmennonite.org)</u>



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

Newsletter dated February 18, 2022

On Sunday we will join together in giving thanks for Christ's life, death, resurrection and the gift of Salvation. We encourage you to prepare your hearts for this time.

Sunday's Service – February 20, 2022

GATHERING

Prelude

Opening Song

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

VT #9 Come Away from Rush and Hurry

PRAISING

Praise Songs

TMH #573 All the Way My Savior Leads Me Forever Reign

Offering – Education Fund

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Matthew 14:15-21 (NRSV)

Message Listening to Their Voices: A Eucharistic Praxis

RESPONDING

Communion

Song of Response This is Amazing Grace

Congregational Sharing/Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song VT #810 Go, My Friends, in Grace

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

Message: Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler Song Leader: Tom Lubbers

Worship Leader: Myron Weaver

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)

VT-Voices Together (purple)

⊕ Pray for those from our congregation with health concerns: Marsha Miller, Sam Miller, and Carol Sommers.

- ⊕ Pray for our homebound church family: Mabel Weaver, Rachel Weaver, and Nelson Schlabach.
- ⊕ Pray for healing for others with health concerns: Tom Johnson's mother Donna; 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 Margaret Miller, Betty Miller's sister and Sheryl Weaver's sister-in-law, and her husband Elton. Margaret had a stem cell transplant and has a long recovery in the hospital. Pray for healing and patience for them, and wisdom for the doctors through the process.

If you would like to send her a card, please address to Mary rather than Margaret at: University Hospital c/o Mary Miller, Room 3024 11100 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44106

♣ Pray for peace and justice throughout the world; we pray for the situation between Ukraine and Russia. We pray against the spirit of violence and war and pray for peace in the area.

Attendance: 74



Fellowship

Offering Last Sunday, February 13

2.083.00 General Fund

Total Offering 2.083.00

The third Sunday of each month is Education Sunday;

on February 20th, non-designated funds from the offering will go toward the Education Fund.

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

Our Daily Bread devotionals for March-May 2022 are available on the literature rack at the church. Please help yourself!





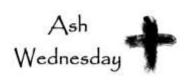
All-Church Social – Sunday, February 20 @ 4:30 p.m.

Family Ministry has scheduled a game night at the church on Sunday, February 20, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. All ages are welcome! We'll have pizza at 5:30 and chocolate

for dessert! Bring your favorite game to play. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry: Barb Dutcher, Marsha Miller, Vee Miller & Sheryl Weaver

There will be puzzle time in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23rd.

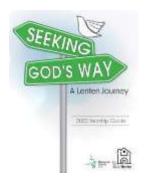
Feel free to bring a puzzle and we will decide which one to start! Anyone is welcome to come and participate. If you have any questions, contact Savanah Hofstetter Ressler.



Ash Wednesday Service – March 2 @ 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent and marks 40 days until Easter, excluding Sundays. This first day of Lent reminds us that new life with Christ involves a daily surrendering of the old life and

the first step on this Lenten journey invites us to acknowledge our mortality and our need for God by the imposition of ashes. We invite all to participate in the Ash Wednesday service as we begin our journey through Lent.



Seeking God's Way" is the theme of Mennonite Church USA's (MC USA) 2022 Lent at Home worship guide. The annual guide for home-based worship provides daily and weekly scripture readings, prayers and rituals for individuals and families observing Lent, the period of prayer and reflection from Ash Wednesday, March 2, to Easter, April 17. The guide also features at-home rituals for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. New for 2022 is a printable calendar with daily worship prompts. Click here for the free Lent at Home guide, the calendar, and videos related to these resources from MC USA.

<u>Derby Car Race</u>

The children and youth are making derby cars this winter and planning to have a race in April.

Work on the derby cars has been scheduled to sand and paint the cars. Anyone who took a car home to draw it, needs to return it by this Sunday so we can cut them out

<u>before we meet again to sand them</u>. There are several extra cars available if anyone else in the congregation would like to make one. We will meet at the church from 6:30-7:30 on these dates:

- Wednesday, February 23rd Sand the cars
- Wednesday, March 16th Paint the cars

We will be having an All-church Social & Derby Race on Sunday April 3rd – mark your calendars!

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Kids Club/Jr Youth Leaders:

AJ & Jen Geiser, Adam & Kim Weaver.

Higher Education Grants from Maple Grove for 2022-2023 – Applications due 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 or check with Jill Liechty, Youth Leader. Any interested students should return the application to Maple Grove's Treasurer, John Koshmider, by March 31, 2022.



Everence College Scholarship for 2022-2023 – Applications due by February 28

Everence is now accepting applications for college scholarships for the 2022-2023 academic year. Completed applications must be postmarked, emailed or faxed by February 28. Click here for more information or to access an application. Paper copies of the application form are also on the literature rack at the church.

February Updates from OH Conference & MDS – copies available on the literature rack at church

- Click here for the February issue of the bi-monthly newsletter from Ohio Mennonite Conference.
- Click here to read the current edition of On the Level from Mennonite Disaster Service

The Hartville Thrift Shoppe is Hiring a Donated Goods Manager

The Thrift Shoppe is growing and we are looking for an experienced operations or warehouse manager to lead our donation management and warehouse operations. This position will lead and work alongside of our warehouse and donations team, building our donation acquisition process while leading the expansion of our warehouse operation, which includes retail sales of furniture and used building material. This position is also responsible for facilities maintenance and the upkeep of the physical plant. For more information on the Hartville Thrift Shoppe and this position visit our website, www.hartvillethriftshoppe.org. You will find the job description and you can fill out an application under the Job Openings tab. You may also email a resume and cover letter to pstauffer@hartvillethriftshoppe.org.

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

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Pastor (pastornathanael@maplegrovemennonite.org) Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler:

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

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

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

Basement

Prayer Chain Contacts: Jen Geiser and Kami Sommers

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE

Children/Youth Classes **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:

Rooms 3-4 Jr. Youth (Grades 5-8): - Teacher: Karen Miller

PreK-4th Grade:

Youth (Grades 9-12): Basement

-Teachers: Lesli Miller & Sheryl Weaver

Rooms 7-8

- Teacher: Kami Sommers