



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



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

Newsletter dated
 July 1, 2022

Sunday's Service
July 3, 2022



Message: Myron Weaver
Worship Leader: Paul Bontrager
Song Leader: Lois Bontrager
Offertory: Worship Team

GATHERING

Prelude

Opening Song

STS #124 *My Soul Cries Out*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: A drop of water is Insignificant in isolation.
 People: *When dropped in a pool, the ripples move out into infinity.*
 Leader: The pool is changed by one drop of water.
 People: *A drop is falling now into the pool of our spirit.*
 Leader: The water begins to ripple...
 People: *Holy God as we consider the magnitude of a drop of water to touch and change the pool,*
 Leader: may we hear the power of your touch in our lives, the potential for our lives to touch others.
**ALL: *With the prophet Amos let us proclaim our hope for the world:
 'Let justice run down like water and righteousness like a mighty stream!' Amen.***

PRAISING

Praise Songs

STJ #27 *God of the Bible* (Verses 1, 3, 4, 5)
 VT #401 *Open the Eyes of My Heart*
How Can I Say

Offering – General Fund

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Luke 19:1-9 (NIV)

Message ***Don't tell me what to believe... show me how to live***

RESPONDING

Song of Response

STJ #54 *Longing for Light*

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song

STS #40 *We Will Follow*

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

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 our homebound church family: Mabel Weaver, Nelson Schlabach, and Marcus Yoder (Lois Bontrager and Ruth Hills' brother).

✝ Pray for those from our congregation with health concerns: Mary Hilmer, Sam Miller, Carol Sommers, Junior Sommers.

✝ Pray for healing for others with health concerns: Jon Misner (Julie Weaver's brother); Eric Coblentz recovering from surgery; Marv & Leroy Sommers' mother Judy; Tom Johnson's mother Donna; and Barb Dutcher's brother-in-law Neal Orndorff on hospice.

✝ 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.



The family of Dean Kauffman (Heidi Miller's father) acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. Thank you for demonstrating your support to our family with a flower basket. It is a big loss to all of us. Gratefully, Nancy Kauffman



Offering Last Sunday, June 26

Attendance: 64

General Fund	\$ 3,355.00
Special Designations	520.00
Total Offering	<u>\$ 3,875.00</u>

Thanks for Your Support!

PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be closed on Monday, July 4th, in observance of Independence Day. Cindy will be working Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.

Social Media Updates: Ministry of Worship would like to work at keeping our social media pages updated, relevant, and representative of the life of our congregation. There are 2 Facebook pages. Please feel free to contribute to the Maple Grove Mennonite Church Members page as you would like. If you would like to have anything included in the other page - Maple Grove Mennonite Church - please send your information to Pastor Nathanael, Jill Liechty or Julie Yoder. The latter page is intended for the general public to be informative and welcoming to those who may see it. We intend to include the link to the church service via the church website's Boxcast there each week, and have recently included things like the upcoming Relief Sale, and Herm and Vince's upcoming concert to be held at Maple Grove on July 9. We do want to welcome others to join us in our efforts to be "Disciples of Jesus, revealing His kingdom through love, spiritual growth, and service together." If you have any questions, please see a member of Ministry of Worship – Julie Yoder, Jill Liechty, Renee Koshmider & Pastor Nathanael. Thanks!



The ladies' sewing group will meet on Wednesday, July 6 – dessert provided!

Everyone is welcome to join us for a day of fellowship – spend the day or come for just a bit. Bring your lunch - dessert will be provided! We will not be knitting comforters. Any questions, please contact Twila Miller, Margaret Miller or Sheryl Weaver.



Kids' Club & Jr. Youth Group Summer Party – July 20 from 6-8pm

Gary and Charla Sommers have offered to host all the kids in Kids' Club and Jr. Youth (Grades K-8) for a swim/pizza party at their house on Wednesday, July 20, 6-8pm. Please bring beach towels. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Geiser.



Herm and Vince Roots Tour 2022 – at Maple Grove Saturday, July 9, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

“Spreading Love, Life and Healing Through Music,” Herm Weaver and Vince Buckwalter will be at Maple Grove on Saturday, July 9, starting at 5:30pm. Weather permitting, they will be playing on the lawn so bring lawn chairs and blankets. The concert will be in Maple Grove’s Fellowship Hall if inclement weather. The concert is free; contributions appreciated. Please plan to join us! Go to their website to learn more about their music: [Original inspirational music | Herm and Vince](#)



The Church Campout Weekend is being planned for August 13-14 at Lake O’Pines Campground.

Activities are being planned for Saturday afternoon and evening with a dinner on Saturday at 5:30pm. The worship service will be on Sunday at Lake O’Pines at 10am with a carry-in meal at noon. Below is a schedule. Any questions, please contact a member of Ministry of Congregational Care.

Saturday:	3:00pm	Games & activities begin for all ages
	5:30pm	Dinner
Sunday:	9:00am	Coffee and donuts
	10:00am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Carry-in



Family Ministry has freezer meals available for those in need.

These can be taken to someone in the church or a neighbor or a friend who could use some help. The meals are in the freezer in the church kitchen and labeled with heating instructions. There is frozen Tater Tot Casserole and Chicken Pot Pie with fruit slush for dessert – take 2 or more fruit slushes for each meal you take as there are a lot of cups of the fruit slush. Please let Cindy in the church office know what you are taking and who it is going to. If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry – Barb Dutcher, Marsha Miller, Vee Miller, Sheryl Weaver

Host Family Still Needed for IVEP (International Volunteer Service Program)

The Hartville Thrift Shoppe is still looking for a family to host an IVEP for 6 or 12 months. They will start on August 25th and work through the following July. IVEP is an International Volunteer Service Program through MCC that brings youth from various parts of the world to volunteer opportunities in the United States. We will be hosting a young man from Indonesia. Please see the bulletin board at the church for some background information about him. He will be working five days a week at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe. Click [here](#) for more information about the IVEP program. If a year commitment is too long, please consider a 6-month commitment and we would try to find a family for the other 6 months. If you have any further questions feel free to contact Brenda Latulippe or Phil Stauffer at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe at 330-877-2769 or email Brenda at blatulippe@hartvillethriftshoppe.org or Phil at pstauffer@hartvillethriftshoppe.org.



My Coins Count offering goes 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.

Go to [Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale](#) for information about the Relief Sale & Auction August 5 & 6.

With your support, MCC works with local partners to make sure people have access to clean water closer to their homes, both today and in the future. This includes projects such as:

- Constructing systems for collecting rainwater
- Digging wells and building dams for drinking or irrigation
- Training local people to construct and maintain water pumps
- Teaching sanitation and hygiene practices

You can share the life-giving resource of water today:

- ✚ \$35 – for a rainwater storage tank
- ✚ \$50 – pipe spring water to a village
- ✚ \$100 – help dig a well

5 Sundays left before the Relief Sale - Mark your offering envelope for My Coins Count!

We have an offer of matching funds for My Coins Count 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!

New this year is a friendly competition between counties: Holmes vs Wayne vs Stark contest!

Announcements & Prayers for July 2022 from Ohio Conference:

(Copies of all are posted on the Conference bulletin board in the hallway at the church.)

- Mennonite Education Agency has compiled [Prayers for Mennonite Education](#) for July.
- [Prayer Vine](#), a publication of Mennonite Mission Network, lists daily prayer requests for mission workers serving in locations around the world.
- Please remember Ohio Conference congregations, pastors and related ministries in your prayers. The [July-August 2022 issue of Prayer Prompter](#) has been compiled by Dan Hooley, prayer coordinator for the Ohio Conference.

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

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 Cindy Fleming: Church Secretary (Secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org)
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 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
 Men's Class: Room 9-Hallway
 Mixed Post-High/20's-40's: Basement

Children/Youth Classes

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