

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 August 12, 2022

Sunday's Service – August 14, 2022 @ Lake O'Pines Campground – 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude
Opening Song
Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Worship

Goodness of God

<u>PRAISING</u>

Praise Songs

Offering - General Fund

Higher Ground (I'm Pressing on the Upward Way) Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (NRSV)

Message The Witnesses and The Perfect

RESPONDING

Song of Response You Never Let Go

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

Back-to-School Blessing

<u>SENDING</u>

Sending Song When the Stars Burn Down (Blessing & Honor)

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

Message: Pastor Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler

Worship Leader: Myron Weaver Song Leader: Tom Lubbers

Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314

- ⊕ Pray for the family of Nelson Schlabach, Mabel Weaver's brother. Nelson passed away August 5th and the funeral was held on Tuesday, August 9th.
- ⊕ Pray for the family of Donna Johnson, Tom Johnson's mother. Donna passed away on Tuesday, August 9th. Calling hours are Monday, August 15th, from 5-7:00 p.m. at Newcomer Funeral Home (131 N. Canton Road, Akron OH 44305), and the service is Tuesday, August 16th, at 11am at the funeral home with Pastor Nathanael officiating.
 - ♣ Pray for our homebound church family: Mabel Weaver 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 (Carol Sommers' nephew); Marv & Leroy Sommers' mother Judy.
- ⊕ Pray for the students, administrators, faculty and staff who are preparing to return back to school.
- ♣ 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.
- ♣ Pray for the people affected by natural disasters around the world. Pray for the victims, their families, and the rescue workers.

Kaydri Sommers is preparing to be baptized on Thursday, August 25th, at her home. Scott & Kami would like to invite the congregation to be a part of the baptism and enjoy the celebration with the family by staying for dessert after the baptism. Pastor Nathanael will perform the baptism at 7:00 p.m. that evening at Scott & Kami's house (please bring lawn chairs).

Attendance: 67

Please keep Kaydri in your prayers as she prepares to be baptized.

Offering Last Sunday, August 7, 2022

 General Fund
 \$ 2,136.00

 Education Fund
 600.00

 Total Offering
 \$ 2,736.00

<u>Please Note</u>: Cindy Fleming will not be in the office on Monday, August 15, and will be working Tuesday, Thursday & Friday next week.

Ballots for nominees for Maple Grove Mennonite Church Ministries are due August 21st

Please check a box for each person listed on the ballot and return to the church by next Sunday, August 21. A box is available by the mailboxes in the church lobby to collect the ballots or you may return them to the church office. Any questions, please contact a member of the Ministry of Gifts Discernment: Betty Miller, Vee Miller, Vernon Sommers, Jr., Michael Yoder.

THIS WEEKEND IS THE CHURCH CAMPOUT August 13-14 @ Lake O'Pines Campground All are invited!



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 – Haystack meal

Sunday: 9:00am Coffee and donuts

10:00am Worship Service

12:00pm Carry-in (please bring serving utensil with your dish)





<u>FISH Collection – August 21 & 28:</u> The Ministry of Outreach is holding a collection for Lake Township FISH on the last two Sundays in August. Brown bags are available for collecting the requested items, or you may donate through the offering by marking your envelope for FISH. Needed items are:

- Cereals
- Soups
- Pasta Sauce
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels

<u>Family Ministry has freezer meals available for those in need</u>. 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. 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

<u>Lighthouse Ministries Over the Edge Event – September 12 & 13</u>

Ready! Set! Rappel! Join us on September 12 and 13 in downtown Canton for an epic rappelling fundraiser that will benefit Lighthouse Ministries. The first 100 people to raise a minimum of \$1,000 will earn a spot to go **Over the Edge** and rappel 150 feet down the <u>Historic Onesto</u> and <u>Bliss Lofts</u>. You can register as an individual or as part of a team. Every dollar raised through each rappel will benefit the Lighthouse and our goals of providing academic support, mentoring, and scholarship opportunities for the children of SE Canton. Visit cantonlighthouse.org to learn more and to register.

Lake Township FISH Annual Dinner & Silent Auction – September 13

Lake Township FISH was founded in 1972; 2022 marks 50 years that FISH has been serving our community. Join us in honoring our 50th year of service to our community at our Annual Banquet on Tuesday, September 13th, at The Hartville Kitchen. Dinner tickets are \$25 – doors open at 5:00pm, the meal is at 6:00pm, and program at 7:00pm. This is FISH's main fundraiser and we hope to have a full house for an evening of great food and entertainment. Entertainment this year is provided by Rick Smith, Jr., a famous magician and card trick artist based out of Cleveland. Please contact Harold Beachy (330-877-3796) for tickets.



A Grief Class is being offered @ Maple Grove on Thursday, August 18, at 6:00 p.m. in Maple Grove's Fellowship Hall & Kitchen, presented by Julie Yoder, RN, BSN, BA with Community Hospice Bereavement

Tips for Eating Well and Exercising When You're Grieving the Loss of Someone You Love.

Appetite, sleep, and motivation can be seriously affected by grief and dealing with the loss of a loved one. Cooking for one may seem futile and ridiculous. Perhaps the person who died was the "cook" of the home and you wouldn't know how to crack an egg, let alone want to. Paying attention to these areas of our lives can be even more important at times of loss. Come together to share ideas and find encouragement to:

- Improve your eating and meal preparation, and find out why that is so important.
- Boost your motivation to get up and move.
- Learn how to get better sleep and feel more rested.
- Learn some basic walking and easy exercise ideas to get started.

Join us and dress comfortably. RSVP to Kelsie at 1-800-947-7284 by Monday, August 15.

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

Church Information: 2121 Smith Kramer St. NE, Hartville, OH 44632 Phone: 330-877-2400

Website: www.mgmennonite.org

Facebook – Maple Grove Mennonite Church Group

(send updates to Pastor Nathanael, Jill Liechty or Julie Yoder)

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

- 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 Children/Youth Classes

Women's Class:

Room 1-Education Side

Mixed Intergenerational Class:

Room 2-Education Side

PreK-4th Grade:

Rooms 7-8

From 2-Education Side

Rooms 3-4

Rooms 3-4

PreK-4th Grade:

Rooms 7-8

Rooms 3-4

Prouth (Grades 9-12):

Basement

Mixed Post-High/20's-40's: Basement