



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
 September 9, 2022

**Sunday's Service
 September 11, 2022**



Message: Pastor Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler
Worship Leader: Paul Bontrager
Song Leader: Lois Bontrager
Offertory: Worship Team

GATHERING

Prelude

Opening Song

STJ #19 *I Will Call Upon the Lord*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: How shall we live in the love of God?

People: *We will treat one another with fairness and dignity.*

Leader: How shall we witness God's forgiving love?

People: *We will reach out to others with compassion and forgiveness.*

Leader: Come, let us worship God who has always loved us and all people unconditionally.

People: *Let our worship of God be reflected in our lives of hope, compassion and peace. AMEN.*

PRAISING

Praise Songs

STJ #97 *The Lord is My Light*
 STS #62 *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

Offering – General Fund

Hymn of Heaven

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:9-14 (NIV)

Message

Forgive and Remember

RESPONDING

Song of Response

Lord I Need You

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song

STJ #78 *We Will Walk With God*

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 Savannah Hofstetter Ressler who is participating in the Over the Edge event in Canton on Tuesday to benefit Lighthouse Ministries.
- ✝ Pray for Sylvia Miller who had knee replacement surgery on Thursday.
- ✝ Pray for those from our congregation with health concerns: Ruth Hills; Rachel Weaver; Mary Hilmer, Carol Sommers, Junior Sommers; and Mabel Weaver on hospice.
- ✝ Pray for healing for others with health concerns: Marcus Yoder (Lois Bontrager and Ruth Hills' brother); Jon Misner (Julie Weaver's brother); Eric Coblentz (Carol Sommers' nephew); Marv & Leroy Sommers' mother Judy.
- ✝ 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.



Offering Last Sunday, September 4, 2022

General Fund	\$ 6,956.00
Education Fund	<u>15,000.00</u>
Total Offering	<u>\$ 21,956.00</u>

Attendance: 57

Coffee Time & Informal Fellowship @ Church

Join us Sunday mornings before Sunday School – Everyone is welcome!



If you would like to help with supplying donuts and/or baked goods, please get in touch with Barb Dutcher (for baked goods) or Perry Miller (for donuts). Two dozen donuts and homemade or store-bought baked goods are needed at the church by 9am on Sunday mornings. Thanks for your help!



Kids' Club/Jr. Youth Event – September 25



Kids' Club/Jr. Youth Group is for children in Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Michael and Ruth Yoder are the leaders for this school year and are planning the first group activity on Sunday, September 25th, from 3:30-5:30pm at Rolling Greens for mini-golf and ice cream. All children in Kindergarten - Grade 8 are invited to attend! If you have any questions, please contact Michael or Ruth.

Bible Memory is about to begin! Bible Memory is for children in Kindergarten-8th Grade.

The children will be given a chance to recite the verses from the Sunday School curriculum or ones they are memorizing in school at the beginning of Sunday School classes. There will be rewards for those who participate at the end of the school year. A letter about the Bible Memory Program has been emailed out to parents with more details. If you have any questions, please contact Savannah Hofstetter Ressler.



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. 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



Acme Community Cash Back Program Benefits Lake Township FISH

If you shop at Acme, save your receipts and bring them in to the church – a collection box is available under the mailboxes. FISH turns these in at the end of the program date and receives cash back from Acme to help our community members in need! The program runs through December 24, 2022.

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. Doors open at 5:00pm, the meal is at 6:00pm, and program at 7:00pm. Entertainment this year is provided by Rick Smith, Jr., a famous magician and card trick artist based out of Cleveland. This is FISH's main fundraiser and we hope to have a full house for an evening of great food and entertainment.

MCC Relief Canning in Kidron – October 8, 10 & 11

Kidron Canning for Relief will be happening....again....in 2022. The January canning went very well with 20,000# canned and sent. This October we hope to do 25,000#! Volunteers are needed daily from 5 am to 10 pm on Saturday, October 8, and Monday & Tuesday, October 10 & 11. Call Trent Metcalf @ 330-465-4191 to set up a time to help Go to www.reliefcanningkidron.org for more information on relief canning. Thank you!





Women’s Retreat @ Camp Luz – October 14-15

“Light of the World,” based on Matthew 5:14-16, will be the theme of the annual Women’s Retreat at Camp Luz in Kidron on Oct. 14-15. Although the final input session will take place Saturday afternoon, retreat participants will have the option to stay at the camp overnight until Sunday morning, Oct. 16. Speaker for this year’s retreat will be Sarah Short of Archbold. To register, go to the Camp Luz website www.campluz.com.

From MCC: Ukraine Emergency Response

Partners of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) in Uman, Kharkiv, Nikopol and other places in Ukraine recently distributed emergency relief supplies to more than 16,000 people. Learn more about this relief effort at [Rockets, rosebushes and relief | Mennonite Central Committee U.S. \(mcc.org\)](http://Rockets, rosebushes and relief | Mennonite Central Committee U.S. (mcc.org)). If you would like to make a donation to MCC’s Ukraine Emergency Response, you may donate on line at their website [here](#) or donation checks can be mailed to MCC, Attn: Ukraine Crisis, PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500

The September-October issue of the *Ohio Mennonite Evangel* from Ohio Conference is now available. Click [here](#) to read the issue on line; paper copies are available on the literature rack at the church.

Lake Township Historical Society Fireside Chat – September 17

The Lake Township Historical Society is sponsoring a Fireside Chat on Saturday, September 17th, from 1-3:00 p.m., at St. Jacob's Lutheran Church (1460 State Street). This is the first of an expected series of chats featuring Lake Township churches. The Lake Township Historical Society will have their new book “Bicentennial Memories” available for purchase at \$20 each.

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

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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

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): Youth Room-Basement