



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
 October 28, 2022

**Sunday's Service
 October 30, 2022**

2 of 5-part Sermon Series on Anabaptism

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



GATHERING

Prelude
 Opening Song
 Welcome & Announcements
 Call to Worship & Prayer

VT #49 *All Who Are Thirsty*

PRAISING

Praise Songs
 Offering – General Fund

VT #332 *In Christ Alone*
 VT #775 *I Will Follow*

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading
 Message

Matthew 7:24-29; Hebrews 1:1-2; John 1:1 (NRSV)

**Anabaptism:
 Jesus and The Scripture**

RESPONDING

Song of Response
 Congregational Sharing & Prayer

VT #398 *Thy Word is a Lamp*

SENDING

Sending Song
 Benediction/Blessing
 Postlude

VT #71 *Praise God* (Verses 1 & 2)

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 Rachel Weaver who is in Woodlawn for therapy after a fall.
- ✝ Continue to pray for Carol Sommers who is home after having another back surgery. Pray for her comfort and a speedy recovery.
- ✝ Pray for healing for Becky Lubbers who had surgery on her hand.
- ✝ Pray for others from our congregation with health concerns: Sara Mae Miller, Kami Sommers, and Mabel Weaver.
- ✝ Praise for Tom Johnson's sister, Brenda Richardson, who has received a liver transplant. Pray for her long recovery and her body's acceptance of the liver.
- ✝ Pray for healing for others with health concerns: Alta Bates' brother-in-law, Jerry Potter, with esophageal cancer.



Thank you for all your prayers, calls, texts, visits, food, flowers and being with us at the funeral. The love, and support you showed us during the past few weeks was amazing. We are blessed to be a part of such a caring congregation.
AJ, Jen, Briana, Drew and Brooklyn



Offering Last Sunday, October 23

Attendance: 55

General Fund	\$ 4,671.00
Special Designation	500.00
Migrant Center –	<u>100.00</u>
Medical Clinic Renovations	
Total Offering	<u>\$ 5,271.00</u>

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!

Maple Grove's Child Abuse Awareness Policy

Maple Grove's policy on Physical & Sexual Abuse of Children states all volunteers who are involved with children and youth are required to receive a copy of this policy and sign a form confirming they have read and understand the policy. This is done on an annual basis. **If you received an email from the Ministry of Congregational Care in regards to Child Abuse Awareness, please return your signed form to the church office by Sunday, November 6th.** If you have any questions, please contact a member of Ministry of Congregational Care. Thank you!



The ladies' sewing group will meet on Wednesday, November 2 – Carry-in Lunch



Everyone is welcome to join us for a day of fellowship while we knot comforters and quilt in the Fellowship Hall. **This month will be a carry-in – we are asking you to bring a dish that starts with the first letter of your first name.** Spend the day or come for just a bit - we enjoy each other's friendship while we work! Please contact Twila Miller, Margaret Miller or Sheryl Weaver if you have any questions.



The 100-year anniversary committee would like to announce that we will use the Sunday school time on Sunday, November 27th, to celebrate 100 years at Maple Grove. We plan to have the updated history of Maple Grove ready for purchase. We've extended an invitation to the author, Elwood Yoder, and he will likely attend the event. Please invite interested visitors and out of town guests to the event starting at 9:00 a.m.

A Call for Artifacts:

The committee is also requesting that members of Maple Grove bring in historical artifacts and photographs related to the history and the larger church community. Examples of this will be provided over the next several weeks during announcements. Please bring your artifacts over the next several weeks and we will provide a display table in the Fellowship Hall. Please fill out a note card to accompany your artifact and explain what it is. Thank you for your participation.

-The 100-year Anniversary Committee:

Michael Yoder, Gary Sommers, Clara Sommers, Rhoda Sommers & Lee Yoder



Collection for Thanksgiving meals for Lake Township FISH – November 13 & 20

Maple Grove is collecting boxed stuffing mix for the Thanksgiving Community Outreach this year. Our goal is to collect 250 boxes of stuffing mix! We will also collect \$10.00 gift cards to local grocery stores to give to each family to purchase their Thanksgiving meat of choice. You may also make a monetary donation by marking your giving envelope for FISH. The collection Sundays are November 13 & 20.

The Thanksgiving Outreach will be at Evermore Community Church on Tuesday, November 22. Volunteers are needed that Monday and Tuesday. People can use this link to sign up to volunteer: <https://bit.ly/FISHVolunteer>. Any questions, please contact Harold Beachy with Ministry of Outreach. Thank you so much for your support to make this event a success!

Deck the Halls & Stock the Store



Lighthouse Ministries' Affordable Christmas program is for families in the southeast neighborhood of Canton surrounding the Lighthouse. In purchasing presents for kids, the real gift you are offering is dignity that comes with a parent's ability to provide for their children.

- The lists of gifts you see on the board in the church lobby were generated by responses to surveys that were distributed to parents and caregivers of the children who use the Lighthouse services.
- The presents you purchase will be sold at an affordable price in a "store" run by the Lighthouse. Affordable means the gifts will be marked down at least 25% of the purchase price.
- Please make sure that every gift has the purchase price listed somewhere on the packaging.
- Please tape the tag on the gift.
- **All gifts should be returned UNWRAPPED by Wednesday, November 30.**

Any questions, please contact Holly Miller.



love OUR COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS

It's time for LOC Christmas 2022!

This event is a time dedicated for our local schools, businesses, churches, and individuals to partner together to alleviate

some of the burden that the holiday season can bring upon so many families. This year, we will be offering a combination of gift cards and items at a fraction of the cost to local families in need, including necessities like new blankets, socks, toiletries, and gently used winter weather gear. Families will also have the opportunity to shop the LOC Warehouse!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Purchase gift cards for \$10, \$20, \$40 or \$60 – see the Christmas giving tree in the church lobby, and take a tag for the amount you would like to spend. Suggestions of where to purchase gift cards are printed on the back of the tag.
 - Label gift card(s) with gift amount and return to the church.
- If you wish to purchase physical gifts, visit [LOC Christmas website](#) and select one of the stores listed under the Gift Wish Lists. A Charity List of requested items is shown for each store.
 - Return the **UNWRAPPED** gift to the church.

Please send in all donations to the church by Wednesday, November 30th.

If you have any questions, please contact Holly Miller. For more information about Love Our Community and to sign up to volunteer, visit Love Our Community's website www.loveourcommunity.net.

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 Rigatoni, Sausage & Potato Soup, Apple Crisp, and there are fruit slushes left as well. 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.



Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday, November 6.

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

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