

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 November 4, 2022

Sunday's Service November 6, 2022

3 of 5-part Sermon Series on Anabaptism

Message: Pastor Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler

Worship Leader: Gary Sommers Song Leader: Ruth Yoder

GATHERING

Prelude

Opening Song STJ #2 Come, Walk with Us

Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship & Prayer

PRAISING

Praise Songs Sweet By and By
Ancient Words

Offering - General Fund

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Matthew 18:15-22; 1 Corinthians 12:14-27 (NRSV)

Message Anabaptism:

Community and Discipleship

RESPONDING

Song of Response STS #16 Peace Before Us

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song Build Your Church, Lord

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314

HWB-Hymnal Worship Book (blue)

STJ-Sing the Journey (green)

TMH-The Mennonite Hymnal (red)

STS-Sing the Story (purple)

VT-Voices Together (purple)



- ♣ Pray for those from our congregation with health concerns: Rachel Weaver recovering from a fall, Becky Lubbers who had hand surgery, Sara Mae Miller who was hospitalized with some health issues, Carol Sommers recovering from back surgery, Kami Sommers for a foot injury and possible surgery, and Mabel Weaver on hospice.
- ♣ Pray for healing for others with health concerns: Tom Johnson's sister, Brenda Richardson, recovering from a liver transplant; Alta Bates' brother-in-law, Jerry Potter, with esophageal cancer.
- ♣ Pray for peace and justice throughout the world. Pray for those affected by violence and hate.



Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 6th.

Attendance: 60

Offering Last Sunday, October 30

General Fund \$ 3,104.00 Education Fund 1,960.00

Special Designation 400.00 Migrant Center – 15,100.00

Medical Clinic Renovations

Total Offering <u>\$ 20,564.00</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!



Kids' Club/Jr. Youth Event - November 13



Kids' Club/Jr. Youth Group's next activity will be on Sunday, November 13, at Sky Zone Trampoline Park in Canton (4381 Whipple Ave NW). All children in Kindergarten - Grade 8 are invited to attend! You can meet the group at Sky Zone at 4:30 p.m. or you can meet at the church at 4:00 p.m. for a ride to and

from Sky Zone. We will jump from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Suggested cost is \$10 per child. If you have any questions, please contact Michael or Ruth Yoder.



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.

You are encouraged to invite guests to the celebration! Extend an invitation to family members, out-of-town guests, former members and interested visitors. We will be gathering during our Sunday School time that morning beginning at 9:00 a.m. with an informal snack/breakfast time from 8:30-9:00 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



The second Thursday of each month is Maple Grove's turn to supply volunteers at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe. Men and women are needed Thursday, November 10, at 6:00 p.m.



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. <u>The collection Sundays are November 13 & 20</u>.

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



<u>Lighthouse Ministries' Affordable Christmas program is for families in the</u> <u>southeast neighborhood of Canton surrounding the Lighthouse</u>. 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 <u>LOC Christmas website</u> 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.

Announcements & Prayers for November from Ohio Conference:

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

- Please remember Ohio Conference congregations, pastors and related ministries in your prayers.
 The November-December issue of <u>Prayer Prompter</u> has been compiled by Dan Hooley, Prayer Coordinator for the Ohio Conference.
- Prayer Vine, a publication of Mennonite Mission Network, lists daily prayer requests for mission workers serving in locations around the world. The November issue of <u>Prayer Vine</u> is now available.
- Mennonite Education Agency has compiled <u>Prayers for Mennonite Education</u> for November. These prayer requests have been gathered from the member schools of Mennonite Schools Council, as well as the colleges, universities, seminaries and educational programs of Mennonite Church USA.
- MC USA announcements for the month of November are available <u>here</u>.

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

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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

Basement

Prayer Chain Contacts: Jen Geiser and Kami Sommers

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE

Adult ClassesChildren/Youth ClassesWomen's Class:Room 1-Education SidePreK-4th Grade:Rooms 7-8Mixed Intergenerational Class:Room 2-Education SideJr. Youth (Grades 5-8):Rooms 3-4Men's Class:Room 9-HallwayYouth (Grades 9-12):Youth Room-Basement