



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



Maple Grove
Newsletter

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

Newsletter dated
 June 2, 2023



On Sunday, Maple Grove welcomes Danae King to our worship service. Danae is a Donor Relations Associate for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes. She graduated from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary with a Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies.

We also welcome Phil Stauffer to our worship service. Phil is the Executive Director of the Hartville Thrift Shoppe and has been involved with the Thrift Shoppe since 2012.

Sunday – June 4, 2023



Message: Danae King
Worship Leader: Kami Sommers
Song Leader: Lois Bontrager

GATHERING

Prelude
 Opening Song
 Welcome & Announcements
 Call to Worship & Prayer

VT #29 *Come, Now Is the Time to Worship*

PRAISING

Praise Songs
 Offering – General Fund

VT #377 *New Earth, Heavens New*
 VT #401 *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

HEARING GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading
 Message

Micah 6:6-8, Matthew 5:3-12 (NRSVUE)

The Mennonite Scripture Hall of Fame

RESPONDING

Song of Response
 Congregational Sharing/Prayer

STS #31 *Jesus, Be the Center*

SENDING

Sending Song
 Benediction/Blessing
 Postlude

VT #834 *Thuma mina (Send Me, Lord)*

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)

Encouragement Cards - There are encouragement cards placed in every pew so that as the Spirit lays someone on your heart, you can share your thoughts and encouraging words with them. You may place the cards in their mailbox or give directly to them.

✝ Pray for Alice Rini, Lura Bowin's 95-year old sister, for the challenges she faces with aging and her mobility. Pray that she can continue to receive home health care and pray for Lura as her caretaker.

✝ Pray for those with health concerns: Rachel Weaver, Sara Mae Miller at St. Joseph's Senior Living Facility; Barbara Volk and her family with health issues; Harold & Nancy Beachy's daughter Kim; Rob Richardson, Tom Johnson's brother-in-law, with cancer.

✝ Pray for those affected by violence and hate. Pray for peace and justice for everyone in the world.

✝ Pray for those affected by natural disasters, and those involved with the relief and recovery efforts.



- Wednesday – June 7 - Ladies' Sewing & Comforter Knotting
- Sunday – June 11 - Communion Sunday
- Sunday – June 18 - Father's Day
- Friday-Saturday – July 7-8 - OH Mennonite Relief Sale @ Mt. Hope Event Ctr.
- Monday-Friday – July 17-21 - Vacation Bible School @ Evermore



Offering last Sunday, May 28

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| General Fund | \$ 8,720.00 |
| Special Designations | 7,000.00 |
| Total Offering | <u>\$ 15,720.00</u> |

Attendance: 50

Online giving thru PayPal available on website or via this QR code



Receiving of the offering

An offering basket is available at the back of the sanctuary for you to place your offering before the service begins. The basket will be brought to the front of the sanctuary during the offertory music to be blessed during the offering prayer. You may also place your offering in the basket after the service. Thank you!

From Hartville Migrant Center:

Dear Volunteers @ Maple Grove:

We would like to express our thanks to all of you that came out to serve on May 20th. Your hard (and skilled) work in helping us to finetune our building after the renovation was much appreciated. Everything that was fixed is working very well now, including the vaccine refrigerator! Thank you all for your generosity in sharing your talents with us.

Leigh Ann De La Cruz, Volunteer Coordinator



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!



Church News



On Sunday, June 11, we will join together in giving thanks for Christ's life, death, resurrection and the gift of Salvation. You are encouraged to take time to prepare your hearts for Communion Sunday.

The ladies' sewing group will meet on Wednesday, June 7



Everyone is welcome to join us for a day of fellowship while we knot comforters and quilt in the Fellowship Hall. **Bring a lunch and 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.



Registration is open for Vacation Bible School which is the week of July 17-21.

Maple Grove is partnering with Evermore Community Church again and it will be held at Evermore each morning July 17-21 from 9am-11:30am (with the exception of Monday which will begin early at 8:30am). VBS is for preschoolers age 4 through 5th grade. Please register for the grade that your child has recently completed when registering – you may register online by clicking on this link:

<https://evermorecc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1762357> or contact Kim Weaver for assistance. The theme is "Mission: Deep Sea" focusing on the wonders of creation. On the last day of VBS, there will be an end of the week celebration involving water games! Maple Grove will be supplying snacks for the week of VBS. Sign-up sheets will be available soon for donating snacks and for volunteering. If you have any questions, please see Kim Weaver.

5 Sundays left to collect!!



My Coins Count offering goes to MCC (Mennonite Committee Central) at the Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale on July 7-8 @ the Mt. Hope Event Center. 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.

- **Every minute a newborn dies from infection caused by lack of safe water and an unclean environment. (WHO, 2015)**

Help provide water, the gift of life! Ways to give:

- Mark your offering envelope "My Coins Count"
- Take a mission bank home and collect your change (banks are by the mailboxes).
- Drop your change in the wishing well in the church lobby.

Maple Grove has 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!

MCC Virtual Visit to the DR Congo on June 5: Learn about the impact a clean water project has had in the Democratic Republic of the Congo—and how you can help bring it to more communities. In this virtual visit, we will hear from Jacob Yoder, country representative, and Gracia Falo, program assistant, about the need in DR Congo, and their hope for its future. Linda Espenshade and Christy Kauffman will share stories and photos from a recent trip. Join us for this free webinar on Monday, June 5 at 12 p.m. EDT / 11 a.m. CDT. Register for the Zoom link at mcc.org/dr-congo-webinar.

Prayer Vine, a publication of Mennonite Mission Network, lists daily prayer requests for mission workers serving in locations around the world. The June issue of [Prayer Vine](http://PrayerVine.org) is now available. A paper copy is posted on the Conference bulletin board in the hallway at the church.

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 – 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