



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

Newsletter dated
September 8, 2023

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

Sunday
September 10, 2023



Message: Pastor Nathanael Hofstetler Ressler
Worship Leader: Myron Weaver
Song Leader: Renee Koshmider

GATHERING

Prelude
Opening Song
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship & Prayer

HWB 151 *Marvelous Grace*

PRAISING

Praise Songs

Offering – General Fund

*May the Peoples Praise You
Living Hope*

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading
Message

Jonah 3:10 – 4:11 (NRSVUE)

“The Annoying Mercy of God”

RESPONDING

Song of Response
Congregational Sharing/Prayer
Receiving of New Members

HWB 143 *Amazing Grace*

SENDING

Sending Song
Benediction/Blessing
Postlude

Ashamed No More

*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)*



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 to be enjoyed during the Coffee Time & Informal Fellowship. Thanks for your help!



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- ✝ *Pray for those with health concerns: Ruth Hills, Rachel Weaver, Cindy Fleming*
 - ✝ *Pray for the extended family and friends of the Dunham family*
 - ✝ *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.*
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To My friends at Maple Grove - Thank you so much for the prayers, flowers, cards, meals, gifts and gift cards you have generously given to me during my recovery. The basket of sunshine has really brightened my days! I truly appreciate your thoughtfulness.
Love – Cindy Fleming

Lighthouse Ministries: Mark your calendars! The Lighthouse Open House and Marketplace Fundraiser is just around the corner! Join us on September 23rd anytime between 10 am-3 pm for an immersive experience where you will connect with Lighthouse staff, support our student entrepreneurs, and see first-hand what our students experience at the Lighthouse. To learn more about the event and/or register visit, www.cantonlighthouse.org/openhouse. Can't make it but still want to help the Lighthouse reach its goal? Donations can be made at www.cantonlighthouse.org/give. Thanks for supporting the youth of southeast Canton!

FISH Collection – September 17th & 24th

Time for our Quarterly FISH collection! 100% of the donations received will go to serve our community members in need. To participate you can pick up a brown bag at the back of the church, fill it with the requested items and bring it back by September 24th. The items are:

Cereal, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers and Facial Tissue

* You may also donate through the offering by marking your envelope for FISH

Mental Health First Aid Training: This is a free training taking place on October 21st from 9:00-3:30. Lunch will be provided. The deadline to register is October 13th. For more information and to sign up go to: <https://form.jotform.com/MHFACollaborative/102123-maple-grove-mennonite.big>

MCC Annual Meat Canning: Canning is taking place at the Gerber Buiding on October 13th, 14th and 16th from 4:55am – 9pm. Donations are also needed. Flyer is on the foyer church bulletin board with more information.

Congregational/Pastoral Reviews - due back to church by September 25

The purpose of a Congregational/Pastoral review is to affirm and strengthen the Pastor and the congregation in their relationship and ministry. This is a routine review that Maple Grove will be completing as a full congregation every 3 years as a normal component of professional development. The reviews have been placed in mailboxes of Maple Grove's active attendees high school age or older. Any reviews not picked up on Sunday will be mailed to your home. Please return your completed, signed review to the church by September 25 or leave in the return box located below the mailboxes. If you have any questions, please see a member of Ministry of Administration: Adam W., John K., Jade L., Brenda L., Sam M., Scott S.