



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
 September 26, 2024

Sunday
 September 29, 2024



Message: Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler
Worship Leader: Gary Sommers
Song Leader: Renee Koshmider
Greeters: Alta Bates & Arrie Ledsome

GATHERING

Prelude

Opening Song

VT #9 *Come Away from Rush and Hurry*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

People: yet their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.

Leader: In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens and its circuit to the end of them, and nothing is hid from its heat.

People: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

Leader: the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

People: the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;

Leader: the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

People: But who can detect one's own errors?

Leader: Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless and innocent of great transgression.

ALL: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

PRAISING

Praise Songs

*In Christ Alone
 Refiner's Fire*

Offering – General Fund

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture

Psalm 19:7-14 (NRSVUE)

Message

Goodness and Humility

RESPONDING

Song of Response

Oh! To Be Like Thee
(Verses 1, 2, 3 & 5)

Congregational Sharing/Prayer

SENDING

Sending Song

Great Are You Lord

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-Voces Together (purple)



Next Sunday, October 6th, is World Communion Sunday. We will join together in giving thanks for Christ's life, death, resurrection and the gift of Salvation with believers from around the world. We encourage you to take time to prepare your hearts for World Communion Sunday.



✝ *Pray for those with health concerns: Rachel Weaver; Herm Weaver going through chemotherapy treatments; Twila Miller's sister Elnora Yoder with cancer.*

✝ *Pray for the Mykhaylyuchenko family - Vlad, Christina, Vlad and Emilia.*

✝ *Pray for Alexis Deuzoumbé and his wife Gloria & their family that they may soon be reunited.*

✝ *Pray for peace and justice throughout the world. Pray for those affected by violence and hate.*

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



- Wednesday – Oct. 2 - Ladies' Sewing & Comforter Knotting
- Sunday – Oct. 6 - World Communion Sunday
- Sunday – Oct. 20 - Fall Church Social/Cook-Out – 1pm @ Hartville Marketplace
- Saturday – Oct. 26 - Extraordinary Women's Conference at First Christian Church
- Sunday – Nov. 3 - Daylight Saving Time ends (Fall Back)

October is Pastor Appreciation Month



So Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-13 (NIV)



Offering last Sunday, September 22

Attendance: 70

General Fund	\$ 3,592.00
Special Designation	10,000.00
Hartville Migrant Center	100.00
Alexis Deuzoumbé Mission	50.00
Total Offering	<u>\$ 13,742.00</u>

The ladies' sewing group will meet on Wednesday, October 2

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.



Fall Church Social/Cook-out – October 20 @ 1pm

Family Ministry has scheduled a church social for Sunday, October 20, starting at 1pm at the Hartville Marketplace. This is a cook-out with all food and drinks provided. There will be games including corn hole, sack races, a bouncy house and pumpkin painting. All ages are welcome! ***Please bring lawn chairs.*** If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry: Barb Dutcher, Betty Miller, Holly Miller & Marsha Miller

Mark your calendars – the Women's Conference at First Christian Church is coming up.

Tickets were bought as a group back in February to attend the Extraordinary Women's Conference on Saturday, October 26, at First Christian Church in Canton (6900 Market Ave N.). There are two tickets still available – contact Sheryl Weaver if you are interested. The conference is from 8:30am-4:00pm. More information on the event can be found at [Canton, OH 2024 - Extraordinary Women \(ewomen.net\)](http://Canton, OH 2024 - Extraordinary Women (ewomen.net)).



MCC Relief Canning in Kidron – October 14-18 – Volunteers & Donations Needed!

Canning For Relief for 2024 will happen in the Gerber Building in Kidron (3970 Kidron Road, behind Central Christian School) starting Monday, October 14, through Friday, October 18. Start and finish times will vary this year – to schedule a work time, call/text/email Trent Metcalf at 330-465-4191 or metcalft@aol.com. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer at the church with more information.

Love Our Community “Men Who Cook” Fundraiser – October 15

Get your taste buds ready to attend the 2nd Annual Love Our Community “Men Who Cook” fundraiser on Tuesday, October 15, at Hartville Marketplace & Flea Market from 6-9pm. Featuring local community members who whip up their favorite appetizer, side dish, main dish, or dessert in sample-size portions for you to try! Chefs will be competing for multiple awards, and you get to vote! However, it is not all about the Men Who Cook! Watch the table turn as teams compete in the tablescape competition as well! In addition to enjoying a gourmet feast, you'll have the opportunity to bid on exciting auctions items, and participate in fun activities and games with all proceeds going towards Love Our Community programs. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets, as well as for information to become a chef for the evening, become a sponsor, or donate to the silent auction.

Ongoing News @ Maple Grove

Coffee Time & Informal Fellowship @ Church – Sundays @ 9am

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!

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.

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!



Offering Envelope Numbers

In order to receive a year-end statement of your offerings, you must have an offering number. To obtain an offering number, please contact Kami Sommers. The offering envelopes are designed so you can designate your offering to specific funds. If funds are not designated on the envelope, they are included in the General Fund with the exception of the 3rd Sunday of each month which is Education Sunday and non-designated funds go to the Education Fund.

Acme Community Cash Back Program runs through February 15, 2025.

If you shop at Acme, save your receipts and bring them into the church – a collection box is available under the mailboxes. Lake Township FISH can turn these in at the end of the program and Acme will give a percentage of the cash back amount printed on the bottom of each receipt to FISH.

To include something in the newsletter, please email Cindy Fleming at secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org by Wednesday each week – 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-1pm; Tuesday thru Thursday-8am-noon**

Cindy Fleming: Church Secretary (Secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org)

- **Office Hours:** **Monday, Tuesday and Thursday – 8am-1pm**

Ministry of Congregational Care: Dan Dutcher, Paul Bontrager, Harold Beachy, Jill Liechty

Prayer Chain Contacts: Jen Geiser and Kami Sommers

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE

Adult Classes

Women's Class	Room 1-Education Side
Men's Class	Room 9-Hallway
Mixed Intergenerational Class	Room 2-Education Side
Mixed 30's-40's Class	Basement

Children/Youth/Young Adult Classes

PreK-5 th Grade	Rooms 7-8
Jr. Youth (Grades 6-8):	Rooms 3-4
Youth (Grades 9-12) & Post-High	
Youth Room in Basement	