

**Pentecostal Sunday  
May 24, 2026**



**Message:** Myrrl Byler  
**Worship Leader:** Kami Sommers  
**Song Leader:** Tom Lubbers  
**Greeters:** Alta Bates & Arrie Ledsome

**GATHERING**

Prelude  
Welcome & Announcements  
Opening Song  
Call to Worship & Prayer

VT #371 *Come, Gracious Spirit*

**PRAISING**

Praise Songs  
  
Offering – General Fund

HWB #300 *O Holy Spirit, Making Whole  
Revival*

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading  
Message

Acts 2:1-13 (CEB)

***And Where are You From?***

**RESPONDING**

Song of Response  
Congregational Sharing/Prayer

*One Day (When We All Get to Heaven)*

**SENDING**

Sending Song  
Benediction/Blessing  
Postlude

*Soul on Fire*

Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314  
HWB- Hymnal Worship Book (blue) STJ-Sing the Journey (green spiral)  
TMH – The Mennonite Hymnal (red) STS-Sing the Story (purple spiral)  
VT-Voices Together (purple)

*Printed copies of the sermon are available on a table at the rear of the sanctuary  
that you can pick up after the service.*



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✝ Pray for the graduating class of 2026. Pray for their hard work & dedication, and for their parents and the support and encouragement they have shown.

- ✝ Pray for those with health concerns: Twila Miller; Miriam Miller; Mary Hilmer's brother Harold Yoder; Alta Bates' sisters Katie and Leona; Nancy Beachy's friend's grandson, Peter, with cancer; Harry Arble's nephew Dean Burton who is struggling with ongoing angina after a heart attack. Thank you for praying for Harry Arble's sister Meg who is adjusting well to her recent move to a memory care facility.
- ✝ Pray for the Mykhaylyuchenko family - Vlad, Krystyna, Vlad and Emilia, and the Khodyrieva family - Ludmila, Diana and Anastasia.
- ✝ Pray for Alexis Deuzoumbé as he continues nursing school and pray for his immigration process.
- ✝ Pray for those whose lives and faith are deeply affected by violence, by oppression, by poverty, by prejudice and by opposition from political leaders and governments.



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Thank you for the beautiful flowers sent for the passing of Everett Woods, Nancy Beachy's brother. God bless, Bonnie Woods and Family

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### Worship Schedule

May 31	"Engaging Paul: An Apostle of Christ Jesus"	Assorted Verses
June 7	"Engaging Paul: Hebrew of the Hebrews"	Philippians 3:1-11
June 14	"Engaging Paul: The World as He Knew It"	1 Corinthians 1:18-31
June 21	"Celebrating Dads being Dads"	Psalms 103:1-14
June 28	"Celebrating our Common Heritage in Christ" Joint service at Beech Mennonite Church	1 Corinthians 3:10-11
July 5	"Engaging Paul: The Damascus Road"	Acts 22:6-21
July 12	"Celebrating Community and Service: The Thrift Shoppe"	
July 19	"Engaging Paul: The Silent Years"	Galatians 1:10-23
July 26	"Engaging Paul: The Controversial Leader Emerges in Antioch"	Galatians 2:1-14
August 2	"A Celebration of Music: Vince and Herm"	
August 9	"Engaging Paul: A Man on the Move"	Acts 13:1-12
August 16	"Engaging Paul: Herald of the King"	Acts 13:26-39
August 23	"Celebrating the Outdoors"	
August 30	"Engaging Paul: Confronting Jerusalem"	Galatians 2:11-21

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- Sun. – May 31 - Collection for Lake Township FISH ends
- Wed. – June 3 - Ladies' Sewing & Comforter Knotting
- Thurs. – June 11 - Maple Grove's night to volunteer @ Thrift Shoppe – 6-8pm
- Sun. – June 21 - Father's Day
- Sun. – July 5 - Last Sunday to collect for My Coins Count
- July 10-11 - Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale & Auction @ Mt. Hope Event Center

**Please note:** The church office will be closed on Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Memorial Day.



## Church News

**Sunday School materials have been placed in the classrooms for the summer quarter which begins June 7<sup>th</sup>.** Sunday School quarterlies for the fall quarter will be ordered mid-July. Please let Sami Miller with Ministry of Education know how many quarterlies your class will need. Copies of the quarterly devotional magazine *Rejoice!* were placed in the mailboxes. If you would like to be added to the list to receive this magazine, please contact Sami Miller or Cindy in the church office.

### **Breathing-Balance-Blessing on Wednesdays @ 9am**

Thank you so much for all of you who showed up for my Breathing-Balance & Blessing class. We had a good time! Feel free to invite friends – this Wednesday, May 27, 9am. Ruthie Byler



**FISH Collection:** The Ministry of Outreach is holding a collection for Lake Township FISH. Brown bags with a list of needed items are available at the church – please return by May 31<sup>st</sup>. You may also give through the offering by marking your envelope for FISH. Needed items are:



- Breakfast Items (cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, Pop-Tarts, granola bars, etc.)
- Meals in a Box (mac & cheese, Spaghetti O's, canned meats, etc.)
- Baking Items (flour, Bisquick, sugar, brown sugar, etc.)
- Pasta Sauce
- Crackers

### **Give soap full of hope - Help MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) collect bars of soap.**

Thank you to those who have brought in soap for MCC Great Lakes' collection. This Sunday, May 24, is the last Sunday for the collection.

#### **Bath soap specifications: NEW bars of soap**

- 3 oz. or larger
- Please leave in wrapper.
- Please keep in mind that hotel soaps are too small.

#### **Laundry soap specifications: NEW bars of laundry soap**

- Brands such as Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote®
- Please leave in wrapper.
- Homemade laundry soap blocks 5 oz. or larger are acceptable

**Help make MCC kit bags:** School kits and hygiene kits provide important supplies to children and families around the world. These supplies are packed in a useful, double-drawstring cloth bag, but we are running short on bags. MCC is in need of volunteers to sew these simple cloth bags. If you would like to make some kit bags, instructions and fabric are available on a table at the church as well as samples of the kit bags. More information and sewing instructions are also at: [mcc.org/kits/bags](http://mcc.org/kits/bags). Please contact Sheryl Weaver if you have any questions.

**Attention Quilters:** There is a quilt in frame at the Hartville Kitchen which will be donated to the MCC Relief Sale next year. You can come to quilt any time during the hours that the restaurant is open. Bring several people with you and stay for a few hours or stay for the day. (Lunch isn't far away!) Needles and thread are provided; you may want to bring your own scissors & thimble. Thank you!



**My Coins Count offering will go to MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) at the Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale & Auction on July 10-11 held at the Mt. Hope Event Center.**

Each year, coins and bills collected by children, families and churches along with matching funds adds up to more than \$600,000 toward MCC's work around the world. **Your coins count!**

- **My Coins Count raises money for education.**
- **In low-income countries, 36% of primary-aged children and 39% of lower-secondary adolescents are out of school, compared to just 3% in high-income countries.**
- **In the poorest nations, 65% of girls aged 15 to 17 remain out of school.**

**We can make a difference in the world! The Ministry of Outreach encourages you to:**

- Mark your offering envelope "My Coins Count"
- Drop your money in the coin vortex at the church.
- Take a mission bank home & start collecting your change (banks are on a table at the church).



**Offering on Sunday – May 17-Education Sunday**

**Attendance: 59**

General Fund	\$ 5,710.00
Education Fund	101.00
Special Designations	<u>5,300.00</u>
Total Offering	\$ 11,111.00



### **Lake Township FISH Baseball Night – July 1**

Join us at Canal Park for a fun night of baseball & Plinko to raise funds for our organization! FISH earns a portion of every ticket sale PLUS 25% back on all Plinko games. The Akron RubberDucks vs. Erie SeaWolves is on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:35pm. **Deadline to purchase tickets is June 1<sup>st</sup>.** Tickets can be purchased at [Lake Township FISH - 2026 Fundraiser](#) .

### **Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale Run 4 Relief 1K & 5K Race – Saturday, July 11**

Make your plans to participate in the 2026 Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale Run 4 Relief on July 11. The 1K & 5K Run & Walk races will start at the Mount Hope Event Center. The 1K will start at 7:30am followed by the 5K kicking off at 8:00am. All proceeds will be given to MCC to assist in purchasing pigs to increase income for families. To sign up or for more information, go to: [Ohio Mennonite Central Committee Run 4 Relief 1k & 5k Race](#). So start your running soon and get in shape to run the Ohio MCC Run 4 Relief!

**Camp Luz Needs Summer Staff:** We have had significant waiting lists in recent years and REALLY need your help to recruit people to serve on our summer staff team. Members of our summer staff must be at least 16 years old, love Jesus and have a heart to serve others. We provide flexible scheduling and hire by the week to accommodate busy schedules. We also offer internships and scholarships to college students. Go to [www.campluz.com](http://www.campluz.com) for more information or go to: [Summer Staff - CAMP LUZ](#); [Lifeguard Application 2026](#); [Staff Scholarship - CAMP LUZ](#).

- Volunteer - Want to get involved but not ready to join summer staff? Fill out the volunteer form on our website to get the ball rolling. [Volunteer Form](#)
- Prayer support - Keep our team and this ministry covered in prayer as we head into our busiest season.

## 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. Extra cards are on the literature rack.

### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month, which is Education Sunday and non-designated funds go to the Education Fund.

To include something in the newsletter, please email Cindy Fleming at [secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org](mailto: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](http://www.mgmennonite.org)

Facebook – Maple Grove Mennonite Church Group

(send updates to Jill Liechty or Julie Yoder)

Myrrl Byler: Pastor ([myrrl.byler@gmail.com](mailto:myrrl.byler@gmail.com))

- Office Hours: **Monday-Friday 8am-noon**

*\*Myrrl can be contacted at any time during the week by text, phone or email.*

Cindy Fleming: Church Secretary ([Secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org](mailto:Secretary@maplegrovemennonite.org))

- Office Hours: **Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Friday – 8am-Noon**

Ministry of Congregational Care: Paul Bontrager, Harold Beachy, Jill Liechty, Myron Weaver

Prayer Chain: Kami Sommers

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE**

#### **Adult Classes**

Women's Class	Library
Men's Class	Room 9-Hallway
Mixed Intergenerational Class	Room 2-Education Side
Mixed 30's-50's Class	Basement

#### **Children/Youth/Young Adult Classes**

Children's Ministry (up to 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	Rooms 7-8
Youth (Grades 7-12)	Rooms 3-4
Post-High/Young Adults	Fellowship Hall