



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



Maple Grove  
*Newsletter*

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

Newsletter dated  
 July 10, 2026



Mennonite  
 Central  
 Committee

Sunday  
 July 12, 2026  
 Community & Service



**GATHERING**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Song

*VT #625 Far Above the Noise of Life*

Call to Worship & Prayer

Leader: Jesus calls us to praise and prayer, to song and silence;

**People: Jesus calls us to worship.**

Leader: Jesus calls us to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;

**People: Jesus calls us to love.**

Leader: Jesus call us to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;

**People: Jesus calls us to justice.**

Leader: We hear the call of Christ.

**All: We worship together with joy.**

**PRAISING**

Praise Songs

*Our Father in Heaven  
 He Reigns*

Offering – General Fund

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Message

***Celebrating Community and Service:  
 MCC & the Thrift Shoppe***

**RESPONDING**

Song of Response

*VT #568 Christ Has No Body Here but Ours*

Congregational Sharing/Prayer

## **SENDING**

Sending Song

STS #114 *God Has Chosen Me*

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude

***Please see the display table in the lobby with Hartville Thrift Shoppe and MCC information.***

***Thank you to those who shared this morning: Brenda LaTulippe, Harry & Cathy Arble, Julie Yoder, and Phil Stauffer-Hartville Thrift Shoppe Executive Director.***

*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)*

**Worship Leader:** Myrrl Byler

**Song Leader:** Renee Koshmider

**Greeters:** Alta Bates & Arrie Ledsome



✝ Pray for Harold & Nancy Beachy's daughter Kim who is going to need open heart surgery.

✝ Pray for Holly Miller's sister, Heather Smith, and her family. Heather has begun an unwanted journey with cancer.

✝ Pray for Cathy Arble's sister Debi and her family. A family member has just been diagnosed with a very serious illness.

✝ Pray for others 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.

✝ Moises from Nicaragua has asked that we pray for his brother who is in prison, in very squalid conditions, because of a civil suit that has been brought against him.

✝ 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.

## **Worship Schedule**

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| July 19   | "Engaging Paul: The Damascus Road"                           | Acts 22:6-21      |
| July 26   | "Engaging Paul: The Silent Years"                            | Galatians 1:10-23 |
| August 2  | "A Celebration of Music: Herm and Vince"                     |                   |
| August 9  | "Engaging Paul: The Controversial Leader Emerges in Antioch" | Galatians 2:1-14  |
| August 16 | "Engaging Paul: A Man on the Move"                           | Acts 13:1-12      |
| August 23 | "Celebrating the Outdoors"                                   |                   |
| August 30 | "Engaging Paul: Herald of the King"                          | Acts 13:26-39     |
| Sept. 6   | "Engaging Paul: Confronting Jerusalem"                       | Galatians 2:11-21 |



- Sun. – July 19 - Education Sunday (non-designated funds go to Education Fund)  
- Summer Social – Pool Party @ Jade & Jill Liechty's – 1pm
- August 2, 9 & 16 - Collecting items for MCC School Kits
- Sun. – Aug. 2 - A Celebration of Music: Herm and Vince
- Sun. – Aug. 23 - Church Sunday Out
- Sun. – Aug. 30 - Assemble MCC School Kits during Sunday School

**Welcome Ladies! Breathing, Balance and Blessing class every Wednesday morning at 9:00.**

Focus is on improving movement and balance for older bodies. Breads and coffee time afterwards! Feel free to invite friends. Please see Ruthie Byler if you have any questions.



**Nicaragua Donations:**

You are invited to contribute funds to Pastor Luis in El Crucero for the completion of the church building that Maple Grove assisted with some years ago in Nicaragua. A total of \$6,400 is needed to complete the bathrooms in the church building. If you would like to help, please mark your giving envelope "Nicaragua-Church Building."

Also, Moises and Anna will need to move out of the house in which they have been living by August 1. The house they are building is not yet finished, and they do need more funds to see it completed. Mark your envelope "Moises" if you would like to contribute toward their house project.

**Church Social – Summer Party on July 19**

Family Ministry has scheduled a Summer Party on Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, at Jade & Jill Liechty's house. Come for a relaxing afternoon under the shelter or swimming in the pool or playing yard games. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Come any time after 1:00 p.m., bring your lawn chair and enjoy the day! If you have any questions, please see a member of Family Ministry:  
Betty Miller, Marsha Miller, Dawn Hyland & Holly Miller

**Rejoice! Devotional Magazines – Updating Subscription**

*Rejoice!* is a quarterly devotional magazine published by MennoMedia. Each day's entry features a Bible reading, a short inspirational message, and a prayer of response. The magazine also includes inspirational stories and poems, and daily prayer requests representing Mennonite mission workers, schools, and church agencies. The Ministry of Education is updating the number of magazines ordered each quarter. If you would like to be added to the list to receive this magazine, or if you currently receive it and no longer wish to, please contact Cindy in the church office by Monday, July 20.



### Offering on Sunday – July 5

Attendance: 60

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund                  | \$ 4,166.00  |
| Nicaragua Church Building     | 1,500.00     |
| Moises' House Project Mission | 5,000.00     |
| Alexis Deuzoumbé Mission      | 100.00       |
| My Coins Count                | 750.00       |
| Total Offering                | \$ 11,516.00 |



*My Coins Count goal for the \$20,000 matching funds was met and exceeded – grand total will be available soon. Thanks to all who participated!!! Ministry of Outreach*

### Help make MCC kit bags – Instructions & fabric available at Maple Grove.

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.



### [MCC School Kit Challenge](#) – 30,000 School Kits to Help 30,000 Kids

#### MCC is having a challenge for 30,000 school kits to be donated during the month of August.

Notebooks and pencils are treasures for families around the world who have been forced to flee their homes or struggle to afford basic school supplies. Whether you assemble 1 or 100 kits through the School Kit Challenge, your generosity will help kids around the world to learn and grow.

The Ministry of Outreach is setting a goal for Maple Grove to make 200 school kits! We will be collecting items for the school kits on August 2, 9 & 16 and planning to gather to assemble the kits during Sunday School on August 30<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to help with this project, please bring in the requested items on August 2, 9 & 16, or you may donate through the offering and mark your offering envelope “School Kits.”

#### MCC School Kit Items (new items only):

- 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens

*The pencil sharpeners that are part of the school kits are already purchased.*



**Join Refuge of Hope on Saturday, July 18, at Centennial Plaza in Canton for a Run to Jesus!**

Run, walk, or roll your way to the finish for a 5K or 1 mile run or a free Kids Fun Run. Event starts at 8am. To register and for more information, go to [Run to Jesus 5K](#). All proceeds benefit Refuge of Hope.

**Men of Impact Cookout & Fellowship Event to benefit Love our Community – August 5**

Men 14 years and older are invited to join Bethany Mennonite Church for their kick off event to gather, grow and give back. The event features Master Teague III, a devoted follower of Christ, former NFL running back, author and speaker. 100% of donations will go to Love Our Community. The event is at Wagler Farms (10666 Hoover Ave NW in Uniontown) on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-9pm. Tickets can be purchased at [Men of Impact Cookout & Fellowship Event | Bethany Church](#). Make sure to bring a lawn chair!

**The 2026 Annual Conference Assembly for Ohio Mennonite Conference is July 31-August 1 at Bluffton University.**

The theme for this year is, “Behold, I Am Doing a New Thing.” This year, ACA will feature sessions designed especially for youth and for fostering intergenerational connections. We have a wonderful lineup of speakers and sessions planned! Guiding our time together, Dr. Lesley McClendon will lead us on a journey of “making all things new.” We’ll also spend time connecting with MCC, MMN, and our ACA Sponsors, Everence & MDS. For more information and to register online, go to

[Register – 2026 Annual Conference Assembly – Bluffton University](#)

## 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 for June & July**

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