



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



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

Newsletter dated
September 11, 2026



On Sunday, Maple Grove welcomes Patrick Helmuth and Amy Glick to our worship service. Patrick is the Business Manager at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe, and Patrick & Amy are members of Beech Mennonite Church. We at Maple Grove thank you for joining us and wish you God's blessing.

**Sunday
September 13, 2026**



Message:	Patrick Helmuth
Worship Leader:	Paul Bontrager
Song Leader:	Renee Koshmider
Offertory:	Amy Glick & James Yoder
Greeters:	Alta Bates & Arrie Ledsome

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Song

VT #422 *Called or Not Called, God is There*

Call to Worship & Prayer

Leader: We gather in the presence of the True Vine.

People: God is our gardener, tending and shaping our lives.

Leader: Jesus is the life-giver, we are the branches.

People: Apart from Him, we can do nothing. But connected to Him, we find strength.

Leader: May we abide in His love today.

People: God, teach us how to remain connected so that we might bear good fruit.

All: May our worship and our lives bear good fruit to the glory of God

PRAISING

Praise Songs

*Days of Elijah
The Jesus Way*

Offering – General Fund

God, Bless the Work Your People Do

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-8; 16 (CEB)

Message

Ministering Simply

RESPONDING

Song of Response
Congregational Sharing/Prayer

VT #502 *Abide with Me*

SENDING

Sending Song
Benediction/Blessing
Postlude

VT #828 *There's a Wild Hope in the Wind*

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)	



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- ✝ Continue to pray for Matthew Manchester, Paul & Lois Bontrager's son-in-law who has cancer. Pray for Matthew and Emily and their sons Noah and Elijah as they walk this path together.
- ✝ Continue to pray for Joe Weaver's in-laws, Joe & Pat Krakowski, as his father-in-law has some serious medical issues. Pray for Leah and Emma and the family as they deal with what lies ahead.
- ✝ Pray for Korey Miller, Lesli Miller's son, who is recovering from a serious staph infection.
- ✝ Pray for Dave Smucker who had a transplant in November and is still in Cleveland Clinic recovering. Dave and his wife Sherry are from Virginia. Pray for Sherry as well as his caretaker.
- ✝ Pray for others with health concerns: Alta Bates recovering from a shoulder injury; Twila Miller; Miriam Miller; Mary Hilmer's brother Harold Yoder; Alta Bates' sisters Katie and Leona and her nephew Ray Alan Miller and his wife Jolene with health issues; Harold & Nancy Beachy's daughter Kim who has heart issues and Nancy's friend's grandson Peter with cancer; Holly Miller's sister Heather Smith with cancer; Cathy Arble's niece Stephanie recovering from a liver transplant; Arrie Ledsome's son Larry and his family for health issues; Mike Kress, Sr. who had surgery for colon cancer.
- ✝ 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.
- ✝ Pray for those affected by natural disasters around the world, and those involved with the relief & recovery efforts.
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Worship Schedule

- Sept. 20 Myron Weaver – “Love is How You Change” (Luke 15:1-7)
- Sept. 27 Andi Santoso–Mennonite Mission Network-Regional Director for Asia & Middle East
- Oct. 4 Myrri – “Engaging Paul: Passing on the Tradition” (1 Corinthians 11:17-34)
World Communion Sunday
- Oct. 11 Myrri – “Engaging Paul: Turning the World Upside Down” (Acts 17:1-15)
- Oct. 18 Myrri – “Engaging Paul: To the Unknown God” (Acts 17:22-34)



- Sun. – Sept. 20 - Education Sunday (non-designated funds go to Education Fund)
- Sun. – Oct. 4 - World Communion Sunday
- Wed. – Oct. 7 - Fellowship Meal – 6pm
- Oct. 13-16 - MCC Relief Canning in Kidron
- Sun. – Oct. 18 - Fall Church Social @ Hartville MarketPlace – after church

PLEASE NOTE:

- Pastor Myrri is out of the office through September 23rd. Please feel free to be in touch with him via text message and email.
- Breathing, Balance & Blessing class will take a break Sept. 16 & 23 and return on Sept. 30th.
- **For those who would like to follow along with the Ireland trip**, watch for photos to be posted on Maple Grove Mennonite Church Facebook page.



Wednesday night meals have been planned for the month of October.

The fellowship meals will start at 6:00pm and the first one is on October 7th. Please plan to join us on Wednesday nights in October for a time of fellowship!

Fall Church Social/Cook-out – October 18



Family Ministry has scheduled a fall church social for Sunday, October 18, after church at the Hartville Marketplace. This is a cook-out with all food and drinks provided. There will be games including corn hole set up in the parking lot. All ages are welcome! **Please bring lawn chairs.** If you have any questions, please contact a member of Family Ministry: Dawn Hyland, Betty Miller, Holly Miller & Marsha Miller



Offering on Sunday – September 6

General Fund	\$ 3,646.00
Alexis Deuzoumbé Mission	200.00
MCC School Kits	325.00
Total Offering	\$ 4,171.00

Attendance: 44

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 3rd 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 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 Jill Liechty or Julie Yoder)

Myrrl Byler: Pastor (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)

- 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 th Grade)	Rooms 7-8
Youth (Grades 7-12)	Rooms 3-4
Post-High/Young Adults	Fellowship Hall