# Groffdale Mennonite Church



You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace, the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

Saiah 55: 12

June 30, 2024

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Our Mission: To be a healing community of believers passionately committed to Jesus as Lord through worship, nurture, and outreach.

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# Welcome! We are glad you are here!

Prelude by Lily Zimmerman

Opening Song led by Anne Martin

"Jesus, Thou Mighty Lord" (Blue Hymnal #115)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Richard Buckwalter

Offering for Leadership Support

Children's Time led by Kathy Stoltzfus

Praise Team led by Ray Horst

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 55: 9-13 Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

"With Christ on the Emerald Isle" (Scriptural reflections from Ireland)

Song of Response

"I Sought the Lord" (Blue Hymnal #506)

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction

Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!
Including Usher Minvera Nolt, Projectionist Diane Weaver,
Sound Tech Brian Snader, Live Stream Operator
Chris Martin, Camera Operator Clete Weaver,
Nursery Workers Steve and Sharon Nolt..

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# Bring to the Lord in prayer:

- Pray for Andres and Angelica Prins during these months of home leave as they travel, rest and make connections.
- Pray for James and Melani as they prepare for the wedding of their daughter Rebecca to Hunter on July 13.
- Pray for our nation during this election season.
- Pray for the families of Helen Ressler and John Zimmerman as they grieve and give thanks to God for these loved ones who passed away in the past two weeks.
- Pray for Harold Musselman as he recovers from a fall while getting into a skid loader Monday evening.
   Harold was a patient this week at LGH and is recovering well.
- Pray for Darrel and Miriam Weaver, EMM workers in Halle, Germany who will be sharing with our congregation next Sunday.

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We would like to extend an invitation to anyone who wants to become members at Groffdale. Towards the end of the summer we will have a special Sunday morning worship service to receive new members. Please talk to Pastor Tom or Pastor Krista if you may be interested in becoming a member.

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Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services (CVCCS) is in need of:

Boys underwear (all sizes)

Boys shoes (all sizes)

Men's shoes (all sizes)

Underwear must be new, but shoes can either be gently used or new. The items can be placed in the box under the table in the back of the church. Thank you for caring for those in need!

**Morning Prayer Group** meets every Wednesday at 8:30am in the Conference Room. Everyone is invited to join this group for a meaningful time of prayer and fellowship.

**Sewing Circle** will meet on Tuesday, July 2 at 9am. They welcome any new members that would like to join them.



#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TODAY: Caeley Zimmerman: Sunday, June 30
HAPPY 80th BIRTHDAY TO CHARLES BAUMAN: Monday, July 1
HAPPY 86th BIRTHDAY TO EDITH GEHMAN: Wednesday, July 3

**Glenn Hershey:** Wednesday, July 3 **Ray Horst:** Thursday, July 4

Kathy Weaver Wenger: Thursday, July 4
HAPPY 82nd BIRTHDAY TO JIM HANNA: Saturday, July 6

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

TODAY: Joe and Donna Jaskolka: Sunday, June 30

#### Vision and Mission conversations this summer

Groffdale Leadership Team is looking forward to providing two settings for congregational discussion, input and discernment regarding a new vision and mission statement. Dave and Dawn Moore and Steve and Sandy Lindsey have both agreed to host food and fellowship gatherings at their homes for these conversations. The Moore's will be hosting a gathering on Tuesday evening July 23 at 6:30pm. The Lindsey's will be hosting on Sunday evening August 18 at 6:00pm. More information will be coming in the month of July when you will have the opportunity to sign up to participate. We invite your prayers as we anticipate these gatherings.

You are invited to a "Meet and Greet" with Andres and Angelica Prins this evening from 6-8pm here at Groffdale. Light refreshments will be served. Come hear how God is using them among the people of North Africa, Southern Europe and the broader Mediterranean region.



A team has been formed who will be giving oversight to our camping activities at Woodcrest Retreat **July 12-14.** If you would like to camp on Friday and Saturday nights, please make reservations by signing up on the paper sign-up sheet on the table at the back of the church or by contacting Keith Stoltzfus at <a href="knkjs@gmail.com">knkjs@gmail.com</a> or 717-286-8565. Costs of campsites are \$35 per night for church participants. Checks can be made out to Groffdale Mennonite Church with memo "camping" and placed in "church office" mailbox. Please place cash payments in an envelope with a note indicating your name and "Woodcrest camping".

#### Woodcrest worship service: Two pictures, One Story, Faithful God!

We are inviting anyone who would like to share a short story of God's faithfulness at our worship service at Woodcrest on Sunday July 14. Here's how it works: Find one or two pictures of something you experienced in which you sense God taught you something or that demonstrated God's character. For example, you may have something growing in your garden this year that surprised you in some way and that shows you something about God's character. Maybe you traveled somewhere and learned something new about God, God's people or creation. Maybe a picture of a significant moment for a grandchild. We can project your picture(s) on the screen while you tell your story. Feel free to include a scripture. If you'd like to write something for someone else to read, we can arrange that. We would love to have five or more people share a short story. We anticipate this as an interesting way to learn to know one another and to give testimony to our faithful God. Email pictures to Pastor Tom at tome@groffdale.com.

# Groffdale trip to the Phillies Tuesday evening August 13

Contact Pastor Tom if interested. Cost of the trip will be \$60.00 per person. Phillies win (almost) guaranteed! There is a sign up sheet on the back table.

#### **OFFERING**

Listed below are the totals for last week's offering and deposits. Thank you for your giving!

Missions \$1,500.00
Program Fund 3,791.00
Leadership Support 680.00
Church Facilities 100.00

# Serving Next Sunday, July 7

Prelude: Joe Jaskolka

Livestream Operator: Chris Martin

Hymns Leader: Rick Umble

Camera Operator: Mim Auker

Worship Leader: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Usher:s Glenn and Joyce Shenk

Offering: Groffdale Missionaries

Projectionist: Janessa Eshleman

EMM –20% Welsh Mountain Homes

Sound Tech: Jeff Martin



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