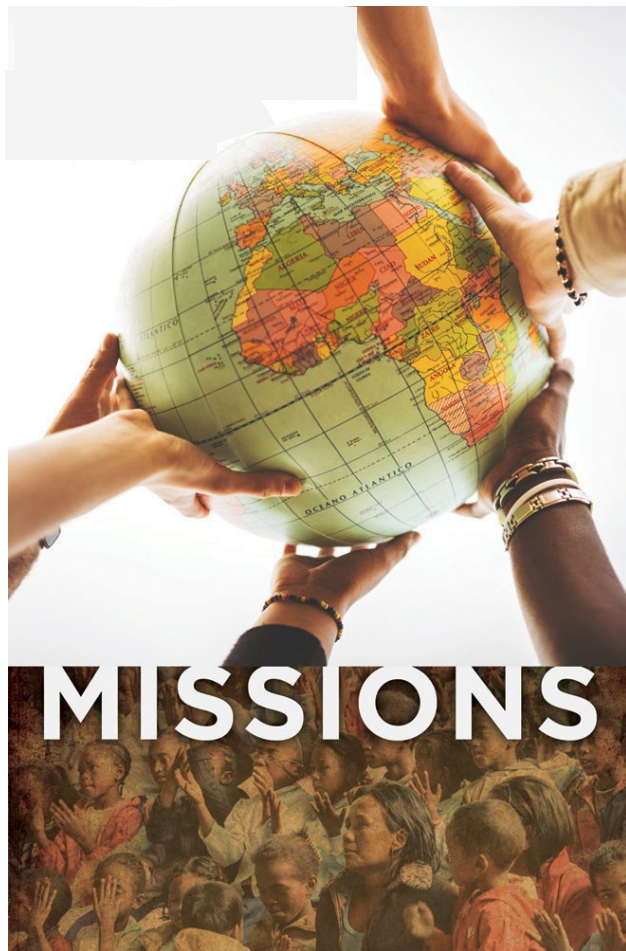


*Groffdale Mennonite
Church*



September 1, 2024

Groffdale Mennonite Church

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 Joe Jaskolka

Welcome and Call to Worship by Ruthie Umble

Opening Songs led by Rick Umble

 "Jesus Stand Among Us" (Blue Hymnal #25)

 "I Owe the Lord a Morning Song" (Blue Hymnal #651)

Responsive Reading led by Ruthie (Blue Hymnal #755)

Offering for Groffdale Missionaries and EMM-
 20% other mission

Worship Songs led by Rick

 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" (Blue Hymnal #71)

 "I Am Weak and I Need Thy Strength" (Blue Hymnal #553)

 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (Blue Hymnal #582)

Scripture: Isaiah 2: 1-5, Acts 2: 38-47

Sermon: Pastor Krista Snader

 "Confession of Faith Article 10: The Church in Mission"

Song of Response

 "O Zion Haste" (Red Hymnal #298)

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction

Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!

Including Ushers Glen and Joyce Shenk, Projectionist

Diane Weaver, Sound Tech Jeff Martin, Live Stream

Operator Chris Martin, Camera Operator Mim Auker,

Nursery Workers Dawn Moore and Fern Bauman.

Bring to the Lord in prayer:

- Pray for Nora Stauffer as she continues in Hospice Care at Lincoln Home in Ephrata.
- Pray for Ella Mae Martin as she receives Hospice Care at Fairmount.
- Pray for Clarence Martin and Jonas Reiff as they rehabilitate at Fairmount.
- Continue to pray for Angelica Prins as she recovers from thyroid surgery and as she and Andres prepare to return to Morocco on September 13.
- Give thanks to God for Melani's encouraging medical report. Pray for Melani and James as they return to Central Asia on September 1.
- Pray for Becki Day as she begins her long term substitute teaching job teaching English as a Second Language at Warwick. Pray for all of our teachers including Lisa Zimmerman and Dave Moore at Hinkletown, Kayley Eshleman at Wilson High School and Kathy Stoltzfus at Pathways. Also pray for Doris Horst as she drives bus for Garden Spot.
- Pray for Robert and Anna Nolt as they prepare to move to Fairmount and as they adjust to Robert's health challenges.
- Pray for Harold and Jean Wissler as they grieve the passing of Harold's brother Glenn Wissler.
- Continue to pray for all of our school students as well as those in college—Adriel, Elyse, Jose, Elijah, Jeshua, Lily, Lucinda, Brandon, Emma, Caeley, Janessa and Tanner.
- Pray for Tanner Eshleman as he begins his study semester this week in Granada, Spain and moves in with his host family.

Recently, it was confirmed that Robert has Parkinson's disease. We ask for your continued prayers as we adjust to the challenges and changes this diagnosis has brought into our lives. We are preparing to move to Fairmount Homes on September 12th. Our next door neighbors will be Fern & Charles Bauman. We thank God for walking with us and for God's goodness to us during this summer. The Groffdale congregation has been a blessing to us and we are grateful for your prayers.

Robert and Anna Nolt

Sunday School classes will begin again next Sunday, September 8. The fall quarterlies are on the back table and in the Conference room at the south entrance.

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, September 3 at 9am. They welcome new members that would like to join them.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nancy Ressler: Wednesday, September 4

Clair Mast: Thursday, September 5

Glen Shenk: Friday, September 6

Dave Moore: Sunday, September 8

Angelica Prins: Sunday, September 8

HAPPY 89th BIRTHDAY TO CHARLES WERT: Sunday, September 8

Jennifer Eshelman: Monday, September 9

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

TODAY: Curvin and Lois Buchen: Sunday, September 1

Roy and Dorothy Reiff: Saturday, September 7

You are invited to enjoy the goodness of fresh fruit grown here on the property! There are sweet and juicy white grapes available on the vines beside the 170 house. There is also an abundance of green apples on the tree behind the garage by the 170 house. You are welcome to harvest and enjoy these fruits!

Copies of the minutes from the August Administration team meeting are on the back table.

Everence News

The quarterly "Toolkit" from Everence is no longer being distributed in paper form. We will email a notice when it is available to view electronically. If you would like to have a paper copy, please let Glenda Evans know—717-826-2489, glenda@evanstec.com, or put a note in her mailbox at church.

Everence is offering a FreedUp stewardship training program. There are flyers at the front and back table listing details.

School Kits

MCC is collecting school kits. Please feel free to pick up one or more bags from the foyer and fill them with the following items:

- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8-1/2 x 10 1/2" and 70 pages)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality, indicating 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

We can bless Miriam Weaver by sending her cards of encouragement to this address: Abbeyville Rehab Center, 100 Abbeyville Rd. Lancaster, PA 17603



Note for guests and visitors

We are so glad you are joining us for worship this morning and we hope you come again. We invite you to fill out one of the guest cards found on the back of the church benches and place the completed card in the offering basket.

OFFERING

Listed below are the totals for the last week's offering and deposits.

Thank you for your giving!

Leadership Support	\$4,336.49
Capital Projects	2,000.00
Program Fund	40.00

The CV Home of Hope is included in our offering schedule for today; however, we recently learned the Home has closed.

The funds for the Home will be held in a special account until the Admin. team makes a determination for allocation of these funds (possibly a similar home or Love, INC).

Serving Next Sunday, September 8

Prelude: Linda Myers

Hymns Leader: Lisa Zimmerman

Worship Leader: Richard Buckwalter

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Projectionist: Diane Weaver

Sound Tech: Dale Weaver

Livestream: Jim Evans

Camera: Dawn Moore

Ushers: Glenn and Helen Hershey

Offering: Leadership Support

Nursery Workers: Ruthie Umble and
Glenda Evans



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