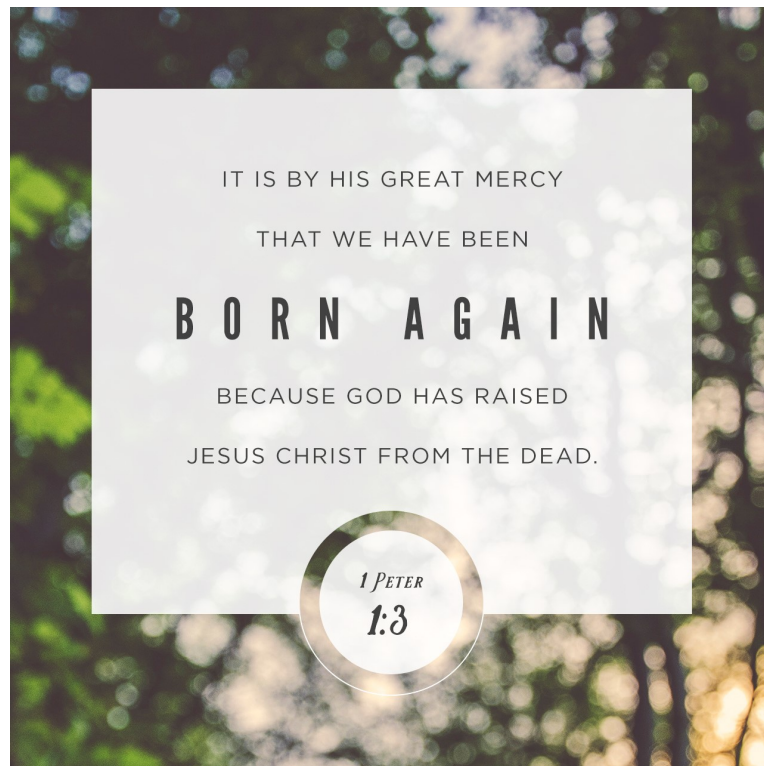


# *Groffdale Mennonite Church*



*October 27, 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 Linda Myers

Opening Song led by Henry Youndt

“Come Thou Almighty King” (Red Hymnal #267)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Dave Moore

Offering for Church Facilities

Worship songs led by Henry

“Praise to God Immortal Praise” (Blue Hymnal #91)

“Open My Eyes That I May See” (Blue Hymnal #517)

Scripture: I Peter 1: 1-9

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

"New Birth into a Living Hope:

Reflections on post-post Christian Europe"

Closing Song

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” (Red Hymnal #404)

Sharing time and Prayer

Benediction

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*Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!  
Including Ushers Leonard and Mim Martin, Projectionist  
Diane Weaver, Sound Tech Brian Snader, Live Stream  
Operator Jim Evans, Camera Operator Clete Weaver.*

***Bring to the Lord in prayer:***

Pray for Paul and Edith Gehman as they adjust to their new home in Personal Care at Fairmount.

Pray for Lee and Lisa Zimmerman as they travel with the EMM board from October 24-November 4 in Thailand and other parts of southeast Asia. Pray for their children Caeley, Lily and Elyse while their parents are away.

Pray for peace in the Middle East, Sudan and Ukraine.

Pray for our nation during this election season.

Pray for the Groffdale youth as they gather this Sunday evening at Krista and Brian Snader's house.

Pray for our congregation as we discern the proposed new vision and mission statements.

Pray for Chris Martin as he travels to India.

Pray for Lucinda Snader as she prepares for her part in the Ephrata Middle School comedy, "Dracula" on November 1 and 2.

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As announced last Sunday, Leadership Team invites the congregation to prayerfully consider the proposed new vision and mission statement. Copies of the proposed new statement are available on the back table and have also been emailed to everyone. On Sunday November 10, the congregation will have an opportunity to give written affirmation of the proposed statement by ballot. Let us hold this statement together to the Lord in prayer. The Leadership Team welcomes your feedback and counsel.

**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.



## ***HAPPY BIRTHDAY***

**TODAY: HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY TO JANET MARTIN:** Sunday, October 27

**Lucas Heft:** Monday, October 28

**James Wenger:** Wednesday, October 30

**HAPPY 84th BIRTHDAY TO EMMA REIFF:** Saturday November 2

**HAPPY 95th BIRTHDAY TO MAE SHREINER:** Saturday, November 2

**HAPPY 82nd BIRTHDAY TO MARILYN WOLF:** Sunday, November 3

**Mag Nolt:** Monday, November 4

## ***HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!***

**Glenn and Helen Hershey:** Monday, October 28

**Yamil and Rachel Gavilondo:** Monday, November 4

**Elvin and Lois Martin:** Monday, November 4

## ***Upcoming events***

**Sunday, November 10** -Community Life Team will host a potluck fellowship meal after the service. Bring a large hot or cold dish to share. Beverages and place settings will be provided.

**Sunday, November 17**—Communion

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You are invited to watch Lucinda Snader perform in the Ephrata Middle School comedy “Dracula: the Twilight Years”. Performances are November 1 at 7pm and November 2 at 7pm. Tickets are available at the door.

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Copies of the Administrative Team meeting minutes for October are on the back table.



### **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 offerings and deposits.  
Thank you for your giving!

Program Fund	\$3,769.00
Leadership Support	1,289.00
Church Facilities	719.00
Missions	369.00
Mennonite Disaster Service	200.00

### Serving Next Sunday, November 3

Hymns Leader: Rick Umble	Camera Operator: Mim Auker
Worship Leader: Pastor Tom Eshleman	Ushers: Glen and Joyce Shenk
Sermon: Pastor Krista Snader	Offering: Groffdale Missionaries & EMM - 20% Immerse International
Projectionist: Diane Weaver	Nursery Workers: Fern Bauman and Anne Martin
Sound Tech: Jeff Martin	
Livestream: Keith Stoltzfus	



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