

# *Groffdale Mennonite Church*



*January 26, 2025*

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Our Vision: A growing community of disciples of Jesus,  
expressing Christ's redeeming love and reconciliation.

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### ***Welcome! We are glad you are here!***

Prelude by Caeley Zimmerman

Opening Song led by Lisa Zimmerman

    "The Love of God" (Red Hymnal #67)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Pastor Krista Snader

Offering for Leadership Support

Praise Team led by Lisa, Caeley and Lily Zimmerman  
    and Jen Eshleman

Scripture:    Matthew 8: 1-17

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

    "The Authority of King Jesus" : This is the third  
    sermon in our series, Growing as Disciples of Jesus

Closing Song

    Majesty" (Red Hymnal #74)

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction

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*Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!  
Including Ushers Charles and Fern Bauman, Projectionist  
Chris Martin, Sound Tech Brian Snader, Live Stream  
Operator Levi Hoover, Camera Operator Mag Nolt.*

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

Pray for Robert and Anna Nolt as they both continue to navigate health challenges. Pray God's healing and strength for both of them.

Pray for the family of Clarence Martin as they grieve his passing and give thanks for his life. (Brenda Weaver is Clarence's daughter.)

Pray for those recovering and regaining strength. (Levi Hoover's achilles tendon and Richard Buckwalter recovering from hip replacement surgery).

Pray for everyone impacted by wildfires in California. Continue to pray for LMC congregation Maranatha Christian Fellowship and their pastor Sunoko Lin in Los Angeles.

Give thanks for Rachel and Yamil Gabilondo family's meaningful experience serving in Belize last week.

Pray for our nation during this time of leadership transition. Pray for President Trump, the House of Representatives, The Senate and our local and state leaders including PA Governor Shapiro and Congressman Smucker. Let us pray that our leaders would govern with righteousness, wisdom, justice and mercy.

Pray for peace in the Middle East. Give thanks for the recent peace agreement in Gaza as we pray for a true and lasting peace.

Pray for Andres and Angelica Prins in Morocco. This past week Andres traveled to the mountains of Tizi Ousem to help determine how water could be restored to the village's 160 households. Pray for the restoration of water to this village.

**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!***

**Sharon Eberly: Friday, January 31**

***HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!***

**Ray and Verna Martin Boll: Monday, February 3**



### ***PINEWOOD DERBY***

The children and youth are invited to come to Groffdale on Wednesday evenings in February from 7-8:30pm. We will study God's Word and build Pinewood Derby cars! Towards the end of February, adults will also have the opportunity to build a car and race with the youth. More details to come. If you have any questions contact Brian Snader.

## **LUNCH AND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Everybody is welcome to stay for lunch next **Sunday, February 2**. Sandwiches, soup, and desserts will be served in the All-Purpose Room. After lunch, we will have our annual congregational meeting. A copy of the meeting report is in your mailbox today.

## **“ONE LUNCH” AND GAME DAY**

The “One Lunch” event in honor of Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday is rescheduled for **Sunday, February 23**. Everyone is invited to pack a lunch and bring a favorite game. We will enjoy a time of fellowship eating lunch and playing games in the All-Purpose Room after the service.



### ***Note from the Property Team:***

Our church is cleaned weekly; however, over time we have noticed areas that need a more thorough cleaning.

Over the next few weeks, we are asking for volunteers to clean areas of the church at a time that is most convenient for them. Cleaning supplies are available in the janitorial closet or you can bring your own if you prefer.

A sign up sheet with more details is on the back table. See Clete Weaver if you have any questions.



### **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.*

Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services (CVCCS) is in need of the following items for their food bank:

- ◆ Canned pineapple
- ◆ Breakfast bars/granola bars
- ◆ Oatmeal
- ◆ Canned carrots
- ◆ Hearty canned soup
- ◆ Chicken/beef/vegetable broth
- ◆ Taco kits
- ◆ Hamburger helper

A box for these items is in the back of the church under the table.

Thank you for your generosity.

### *Serving Next Sunday, February 2*

Hymns Leader: Rick Umble

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Sound: Jeff Martin

Livestream: Chris Martin

Projection: Becki Day

Camera: Mim Auker

Ushers: Leonard and Mim Martin

Offering: Groffdale Missionaries &  
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