

Groffdale Mennonite Church

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SUPPLEMENT

THANK YOU for last Sunday's (October 8) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Leadership Support \$3,870.00
- Program Fund (Homecoming) \$2,325.00
- Mennonite Disaster Service \$220.00
- Missions \$150.00

Happy Birthday

Emily Evans—Sunday, October 15
Tanner Eshleman—Tuesday, October 17
Colin Nolt—Monday, October 23
Andres Prins—Monday, October 23
Jared Jaskolka—Tuesday, October 24



Happy 100th Birthday

Amos Groff—Wednesday, October 18

Happy Anniversary

Leonard and Mim Martin—Thursday, October 19
Steve and Sharon Nolt—Friday, October 20
Doug and Lisa Hoover—Saturday, October 21
Harold and Doris Musselman—Monday, October 23



Copies of the minutes from the August 23 Administration Team meeting are on the information table. Please help yourself to a copy if you'd like one.

Groffdale Volunteer Day at Material Resources Center (MRC) Tuesday, October 24 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

MRC provides drinks and snacks at 10:00 break. Please bring a packed lunch to enjoy at noon. Tasks in the warehouse are many, and vary by day. They include quilting, kit packing and recycling. Everyone is invited to come out and volunteer. You may come for the entire time or for just part of the time. If you need a ride, please let Mag Nolt know.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

October 22

Ryan Umble will be preaching
Ryan is the son of Rick and Ruthie.
Ryan and his family are living in our missionary house.

October 29

Jason Hershey will be preaching.
Jason is the son of Glenn and Helen Hershey.

November 5

Pastor Tom will be preaching.



DVD's of our Homecoming worship celebration are available. Please sign up on the sheet on the lobby table if you'd like to order one. Cost of the DVD's are \$10.00.

RESERVE THE DATE—NOVEMBER 5

As part of our 300th anniversary celebration, you are invited to join Pastor Austin and Andres Prins in visiting the Groffdale Conference congregation (which meets at the "Frame Church" on Groffdale Church Road) for their Sunday service (held mainly in German) on **November 5 from 9 to 11am**. We will leave together from GMC parking lot at 8:45.

CVCCS News

CVCCS would welcome donations of the following food items:

- ♥ Stuffing mix
- ♥ Turkey gravy
- ♥ Dessert mixes (cakes & icing, bars)
- ♥ Canned fruit



Please place your food donations in the box provided in the lobby.

Thanksgiving is Coming!

CVCCS will be giving out food boxes again this year on November 21. They will be receiving 125 turkeys through Lancaster County Project for the Needy (LCPN). If persons would like to donate, please call ahead so CVCCS staff can meet you to receive your donations. (17) 208-3711, ext. 104.



BLACK ROCK ANNUAL FALL BANQUET

Tuesday, October 17

Palm Court at Doubletree Resort, Lancaster

Speaker: Butch Marvin

Meet Peter Fiorello, new Executive Director

Call for tickets at 717-529-3232 or

email office@blackretreat.com.

Welsh Mountain Home

FALL BENEFIT BANQUET

Wednesday, October 25

6:15 p.m.

Yoder's Restaurant, New Holland

Entertainment: Soul Purpose

Reservations: call Melody Jacobs at 717-355-9522, ext. 102

Freewill offering: Filling "the Gap" for our residents

SUPPORT FOR PRISON MINISTRIES

Benefit Auction

Friday evening and Saturday

October 27 and 28

Ephrata Business Center

400 West Main Street

Ephrata, PA

Check out the poster on the lower level bulletin board for details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Woodcrest Retreat is looking for volunteers to assist two or more nights with the "Journey to Bethlehem", an outdoor portrayal of the Christmas story. Dates are December 8, 9, 15 and 16.

Contact will@woodcrestretreat.org with your interest or questions.



SILENT SANCTUARY RETREATS

offered at Black Rock Retreat

Various dates November through May

See poster on bulletin board or visit their website at www.blackrockretreat.com/silent to sign up for one of these powerful self-guided prayer retreats.

This retreat makes an excellent gift for the person longing for a bit of quiet in the midst of a hectic and demanding life.

MAKING DISCIPLES: EVERY CHURCH NEEDS

A PLAN FOR ADULT DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Monday, October 30 (7:00—8:30 p.m.)

Parish Resource Center

Led by Heather Brickner PRC Staff, Edie Cameron, Pastor of Discipleship & Administration at First United Methodist Church, Lancaster and Josef Berthold, Pastor at West End Mennonite Fellowship.

EMM BANQUET

Wednesday, November 1

6:30 p.m.

Eden Resort Courtyard

222 Eden Road, Lancaster



You're invited to the Eastern Mennonite Missions vision and fundraising banquet. Register online by October 16 at emm.org/banquet. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Fellenger at jessicaf@emm.org.



"Plain Meetinghouses" Book Signing

Author and book designer Beth Oberholtzer, along with photographer John Herr, will be coming to Fairmount Home on Wednesday, October 18, at 1:30 p.m. to talk about their new book, Plain Meetinghouses: Lancaster County Old Order Mennonites Gather to Worship. The event will be held in the Crest View Gathering Room at 1100 Farm Crest Drive on the east side of the Fairmount campus.

Plain Meetinghouses is a one-of-a-kind book containing over 300 pictures and diagrams of Lancaster County Old Order meetinghouses rarely seen by outsiders. For the two-year project, the author and photographer were allowed rare access to 22 houses of worship.

Both Oberholtzer and Herr will be on hand to sign books that will be available for purchase and to answer questions. The public is cordially invited, and while there is no charge to attend, space is limited, so please call 717.354.1893 to reserve a seat.