

*Groffdale Mennonite
Church*

Wise Men
Seek Him Still



December 30, 2018

Groffdale Mennonite Church

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

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Welcome! We are glad you are here!

8:30 a.m. Pre-service Prayer Time (conference room #201)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

Prelude - Rick Umble

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Opening Hymn - Andres Prins

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Red Hymnal #1

Announcements and Call to Worship - Audrey Groff

Mennonite Disaster Service Video Clip

Offering - Church Facilities

Offertory: Rick Umble

Children will be collecting coins for Mennonite Disaster Service

"Jesus Loves Me" Red Hymnal #579

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Scripture Reading - Psalm 148

"O for a Thousand Tongues" Red Hymnal #76

"To us a Child of Hope is Born" Blue Hymnal #189

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" Blue Hymnal #210

Sermon: Message from Dave Moore

Benediction

"Go Tell it on the Mountain" Red Hymnal #138



Serving Today:

Greeters - Elmer and Minerva Nolt
Ushers - Roy and Ada Burkhart
Projectionist - Diane Weaver
Sound Technician - Dale Weaver
Nursery - Mag Nolt



Bring these situations to God in prayer:

Prayer

- ◆ Roy Burkhart as he anticipates further medical treatment in the days ahead.
- ◆ Dave Moore as he brings the message this morning (Sunday, December 30).
- ◆ Pastor Tom and Jennifer and their family traveling in Michigan.
- ◆ Pastor Austin as he prepares to speak at a retreat January 4th, 5th, and 6th for the Chiques Church of the Brethren Young Adult group. Pray also that hearts would be open to receive the teaching.
- ◆ Those in our congregation as we anticipate Communion together on Sunday, January 6.
- ◆ The people of Indonesia who experienced a tsunami last week.
- ◆ Our local, state and national leaders.



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Events This Week

Monday: **Youth Group Lock-in**, 7:00 pm—7:00 am New Year’s Day
Wednesday: **Morning prayer group**, 8:30 am at the church
Sunday: **8:30 a.m. prayer**—all are welcome

Next Sunday, January 6, 2019

Prelude/Offertory: Joe Jaskolka
Worship Leader: Andres Prins
Praise Music: Jennifer Eshleman
and team
Hymns: Keith Stoltzfus
Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman
Theme: Welcome to the Lord's table
Projectionist: Diane Weaver

Sound technician: Dean Myers
Offering: Groffdale Missionaries/EMM/
Mennonite Disaster Service/Lancaster
Mennonite Historical Society
Coin collection for MDS
Greeters: Dave and Dawn Moore
Ushers: Elmer and Minerva Nolt
Nursery: 10:00 - Glenda Evans

Focusing on The Hospitality of Jesus

Leadership team senses God leading our congregation to a year-long focus on "The Hospitality of Jesus" for 2019. We are proposing that one aspect of this focus will be the commissioning of a team to explore possible updates to our facility. Leadership



team is suggesting the following people for this team: Audrey Groff, Dave Moore, Glenda Evans, Chris Martin, Kathy Stoltzfus, Lloyd Weaver, Levi Hoover, Rachel Gavilondo and Tom Eshleman.

Copies of the letter shared on December 16 are available on the back table. We welcome your feedback and questions directed to either Pastor Tom or Admin elder Levi Hoover.

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