

# Groffdale Mennonite Church

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**God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1**

**Sermon:** Pastor Tom Eshleman

**Sermon Title:** "Are you not much more valuable....?"

**Scripture Text:** Matthew 6:25-34

**THANK YOU for this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings and individuals' offerings:**

- Missions \$1,515.00
- Leadership Support \$1,385.00
- Church Facilities \$140.00
- Brotherhood Fund \$100.00
- Program Fund \$100.00

*Thanks for your extra efforts to mail in your offerings!*

## Happy Birthday

Doug Hoover—Monday, May 11  
Norene Martin—Friday, May 15  
Carsen Frey—Saturday, May 16  
Darla Berg—Monday, May 18  
Thelma Eberly (Mrs.)—Monday, May 18  
Tate Myers—Tuesday, May 19  
Keith Stoltzfus—Tuesday, May 19



## Happy Anniversary

Lester and Verna Martin—Sunday, May 10  
J and M—Thursday, May 14

## Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- ♦ Continued healing for Elmer Nolt, Roy Engel and Menno Riehl.
- ♦ Pastor Austin and Janelle Horning as they anticipate and hope to start their YWAM Discipleship Training School in Orlando in June. Pray for YWAM leaders such as Michael and Darla Berg who are involved in these decisions.
- ♦ Brian, Krista, Brandon and Lucinda Snader as they lead their MCC team in Kenya.
- ♦ Kayley Eshleman and her Vida220 team in Honduras. Pray for the leaders of Vida220 who will be making important decisions in the next weeks regarding the program.
- ♦ Our local, state, national and world leaders as they make difficult decisions every day regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ♦ Pray for the many people in our congregation such as Diane Weaver at Tyson, who work in environments where many people have tested positive for the Coronavirus. Pray God's protection for Diane and so many others in our church and community.
- ♦ Pray God's protection and healing for the nursing homes all over Lancaster County. Pray for those homes where our congregation has significant connections such as Garden Spot Village, Landis Communities, Fairmount, Manor Care and Welsh Mountain Home.
- ♦ Lancaster County business, school and church leaders as everyone discerns the wisest steps regarding when and how to reopen.



## May Scripture Reading Challenge:

We continue the invitation and encouragement for you to read the Gospel of Matthew during the month of May. If you read a chapter each day, you can experience this amazing book. We also invite you to watch the highly recommended series called "The Chosen." There are eight episodes depicting the life of Jesus and his disciples. The series is available to watch on YouTube. If you have any questions about how to access this, be in touch with Pastor Tom at 717-669-4578.



## Thank you notes!



Dear Groffdale family,

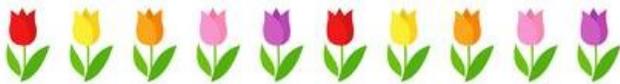
*Thank you so much for birthday greetings I received from so many of you last week! I appreciate that so much! This was a very memorable birthday and I'm thankful for each of you!*

*With appreciation,  
Pastor Tom*



*Thank you to our church family for the cards, calls and expressions of sympathy upon the death of Lloyd's brother Irwin.*

*Lloyd and Naomi Weaver*



## PayPal Option Available

We are so thankful to God for the faithful mailings of your tithes and offerings. Remember to place the checks in your offering envelopes and marked for the Sunday offering you wish them directed to. Groffdale now has a PayPal account, if you wish to give electronically. You can send it to [finance@groffdale.com](mailto:finance@groffdale.com). If you wish to designate it to a specific account you can type it in the "add a note" box. If you have any questions, contact Levi Hoover (717) 947-5394.

## Experiencing Financial Difficulty?

We continue to encourage anyone in our congregation who is experiencing financial need to contact the church. The Brotherhood Fund is a way our congregation actively shares with people at their time of need. If you know of someone who may have a need, please be in touch with Lloyd Weaver at 717-629-2859.

## Video and Audio Options for Groffdale's Worship Service

Due to continued restrictions regarding the coronavirus we will not be meeting for gathered worship at Groffdale. We will be posting a recorded service on YouTube. You can access the service on our website at [www.groffdale.com](http://www.groffdale.com) or by searching on YouTube. We will also be playing the audio of the service on **Sunday morning at 8:00 AM**. We have chosen this time to hopefully avoid the busiest time on the phone line. The phone number for the **dial-in service is 717-690-0477**.

## Roofing Project Scheduled

On Thursday, April 16, a contract was signed with Narvon Construction to replace the roofing material on all the peaked roofs with standing seam metal. The tentative start date is early May and is expected to take approximately two weeks to complete. Roofing contractors can do replacement work during the shutdown. The schedule of the remodeling of the café area work is not exempt from the Governor's orders and is contingent on when the order is lifted.



## Imchen Family Live on Facebook

Sundays around 2:00 pm.  
You can access it by searching for Olivia Imchen on Facebook.

**"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself." Matthew 6:34**