

# Groffdale Mennonite Church

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

## OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday morning, August 2, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Title: "Above all, love each other deeply"

Scripture: I Peter 4:7-19

*All are welcome!*



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

- Leadership Support \$355.00
- Church Facilities \$60.00

*Sunday, August 2, offering:  
Groffdale Missionaries/EMM  
CV Christian Community Services*

*Next Sunday, August 9, offering:  
Leadership Support*

## Happy Birthday

Anna Nolt—Saturday, August 8

Verna Martin—Sunday, August 9

## Happy 84th Birthday

Curvin Buchen—Tuesday, August 4

## Happy 82nd Birthday

Roy Burkhart—Friday, August 7

## Happy 82nd Birthday

Dolores Musselman—Sunday, August 9

## Happy Anniversary

John and Henrietta Shertzer—Monday, August 3

Earl and Linda Myers—Sunday, August 9

Levi and Marie Hoover—Monday, August 10



## Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- ◆ Continue to pray for Dale and Brenda and Clete and Diane as they grieve the loss of their brother, Glenn Weaver.
- ◆ Steve and Sharon Nolt and Lloyd and Naomi Weaver as they grieve the loss of Lester Weaver, Sharon's father and Lloyd's brother-in-law.
- ◆ Angelica Prins in the midst of health challenges.
- ◆ Healing and renewed health for Curvin Buchen.
- ◆ Pastor Tom, Jennifer and family as they travel to New Hampshire for vacation this week.
- ◆ Richard and Deborah Buckwalter as our congregation discerns calling Richard as Interim Associate Pastor.
- ◆ Brian, Krista, Brandon and Lucinda Snader as they navigate the many transitions to life in the U.S.
- ◆ B.D. in the Middle East.
- ◆ Our governor and our president. Pray especially for the government leader you most struggle to appreciate.
- ◆ Our teachers and administrators preparing for this school year.
- ◆ Everyone going back to school this Fall and the many adjustments and uncertainties they face.



## ESHLEMAN FAMILY CAMPING TRIP



Pastor Tom and his family will be on a camping trip to New Hampshire (Mount Washington) August 3-10. Leadership team and visitation team members will be available to assist with pastoral needs while Tom is away.

## Upcoming preaching schedule

**Sunday, August 9:** Pastor Richard Buckwalter

**Sunday, August 16:** Pastor Tom Eshleman

## Pastoral care needs while Tom is away

Pastor Tom and his family will be on vacation from Sunday afternoon, August 2 through Monday, August 10. While he is away, Levi Hoover will serve as contact person for pastoral care needs. Levi will coordinate with members of our visitation team and leadership team according to the specific need. Bishop Lloyd Hoover will also be available for assistance. Levi Hoover's phone number is **717 947-5394**.

## Congregational affirmation process for Associate Pastor Richard Buckwalter

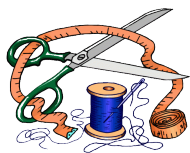
On Thursday an affirmation form was sent to all members and active participants of our congregation through email and postal mail. You have the opportunity to offer your feedback/affirmation for Richard Buckwalter serving as interim Associate Pastor. Those forms should be returned to Levi Hoover via email and by postal mail by Friday, August 7. If you have any questions, please contact Levi Hoover at 717-947-5394.

## Promise Learning Center News

We have been blessed over the past three years to have Promise Learning Center meeting in our church building. This year PLC leaders discerned that the time is right to take a break from meeting as a school community. We are so thankful for the years we partnered with Promise Learning Center and we have expressed our willingness to potentially resume this arrangement in the future.



*Thank you Promise Learning Center!*



## Sewing Circle News

*Sewing Circle will not be meeting until further notice.*

## Coin Auction to Support MCC

Friday, August 14 at 6:00 PM

Bareville Fire Hall, 211 East Main Street, Leola

**A FOOD FUNDRAISER of chicken wings and French fries will also take place on-site for Drive Thru/Take-Out ONLY** starting at 4pm until sold out. People are not permitted to gather, sit, or eat on-site. Call 717-725-1383 with questions.

**For more information:** visit [www.pareliefsale.org/events](http://www.pareliefsale.org/events)

## Gap Relief Sale to Benefit MCC

Enjoy a community celebration of generosity on **August 7-8, 2020 at the Solanco Fairgrounds in Quarryville, Pa.** Support MCC's relief-development and peace work at the Gap Relief Sale, featuring food and a quilt and country auction.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be air movement, masks available and posted CDC guidelines at the sale. The Friday dinner and Saturday breakfast will be take-out only.

**For more details and to stay up to date on the status of this event, visit [mcc.org/events](http://mcc.org/events) or call (717) 738-0885.**

## Annual Pulled Pork Meal Fundraiser A support event for Darrel and Miriam Weaver, Missionary family serving in Germany

Friday, August 7

5:00-8:00 PM or sold out

Weaverland

210 Weaverland Valley Road  
East Earl, PA

Pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, chips, applesauce, cookie, drink  
Sandwich only option available

*Give \$20 in 2020 to celebrate 20 years of service with EMM for Darrel Weaver.*