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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 16, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Title: "Cast all your anxieties on Him"

Scripture: I Peter 5: 6-11

All are welcome!



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

- Leadership Support \$4,315.47
- Sewing Circle \$80.00
- Missions \$75.00

*Sunday, August 16, offering:
Program Fund*

*Next Sunday, August 23, offering:
Leadership Support*

Happy Birthday

Jean Wissler—Tuesday, August 18

Eldon Witmer—Tuesday, August 18

Fred Reeser—Wednesday, August 19

Harold Musselman—Thursday, August 20

Harold Mohler—Sunday, August 23

Happy 86th Birthday

Leane Groff—Friday, August 21

Happy Anniversary

Clarence and Arlene Martin—Sunday, August 16



Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- ♦ Give thanks to God for Pastor Richard and Deborah Buckwalter and the beginning of their ministry among us here at Groffdale.
- ♦ Curvin Buchen in the midst of health challenges.
- ♦ Those struggling with depression, anxiety or isolation these days.
- ♦ Everyone going back to school with all the complexities and challenges involved. Pray for school staff, teachers and administrators as they do their best with challenging circumstances.
- ♦ Retirement community administrators, staff and residents in our local area and across the country.
- ♦ Our local, state and national leaders.

Congregational affirmation for Interim Associate Pastor Richard Buckwalter

The Leadership Team is thankful for the very strong affirmation you gave to have Richard Buckwalter join us at Groffdale. We appreciate his gifts and experience to help us envision where God is calling Groffdale.

Thank you note!

Thank you to all who remembered me on my birthday either with cards or calls or the birthday song. It was a pleasant surprise! I received over 65 cards with such encouraging words and words of affirmation. I want to thank you also for your prayers. Praise be to God!

Love, Curvin



Update on 170 House

We extend a warm welcome to the Sensenig family. Peter and Christy have three children; Moses, Celeste and Felix. They are now in the 170 house and will remain here until July 31, 2021.

WELCOME

Adult Sunday School Books Are Here!!!



Adult Sunday School materials for the Fall quarter have arrived. For the next three Sundays, there will be a table with the Sunday School books

at the carport entrance. Please stop by and pick up a Sunday School book. If you're not able to be here and would like to receive one in the mail, please contact Joyce Shenk in the office at 717-656-6388 or churchoffice@groffdale.com.

Volunteer Opportunities at ReUzit on State

ReUzit on State, Ephrata, has joyfully reopened to support the worldwide efforts of Mennonite Central Committee and to provide reasonably priced merchandise in our community. We are particularly seeking **Volunteer Cashiers** for three hours Friday evenings, 5-8pm and afternoons Mondays through Saturdays, 1-5pm (minimum 2 hours).

Additionally, we are seeking **Volunteer Donation Receivers** between 9am-5pm (minimum two hours). Donation Receivers serve in our receiving area helping to unload donations from vehicles into our processing containers.

Volunteers may serve weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Volunteers must wear masks or face-shields, and cashiers serve behind plexiglass screens.

Interested persons may contact Sue Shirk, Volunteer Coordinator, at voldev@reuzit.org or call 717-733-4934.

Volunteer Opportunity at Welsh Mountain Home (WMH)

WMH had 100% negative COVID19 test results for all of our team members and residents! This is an answer to prayer and nothing short of a miracle! Because of our phenomenal results, we are ready to implement our re-opening plan using the Dept. of Health guidelines. Starting August 12, our residents will be able to receive two visitors for 15 minutes in an outdoor setting. Residents and visitors must be physically distanced and masked. There may be no physical touch during the visit. Visits will be scheduled by our team members.

Volunteers are needed to greet the visitor(s) at the front door, perform a COVID19 screening (temperature and questionnaire) and then guide them to the designated visitation area. The volunteer should stand back and monitor the visit w/o interfering for compliance of time limits and no physical touch.

Visitation will be scheduled between 9am to 4pm Mon.-Fri. and 12pm to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday. Please contact Melody Blochberger at 717-355-9522 x104 or at mblochberger@welshmountainhome.org to coordinate volunteer scheduling.



Women's Luncheon

Guest speaker: Lisa Hosler, Align Life Ministries

"Sharing Jesus is Contagious"



Saturday, September 12

10:00 a.m.



The Hurst House

154 E. Farmersville Road, Ephrata

This event is free but reservations are required. A free will offering will be received.

RSVP by September 4 to

www.tenmillionforchrist.org/WL2020