

# Groffdale Mennonite Church

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## **SUPPLEMENT**

**In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. John 16:33**

**THANK YOU** for this week's Electronic Funds

**Transfer offerings and individuals' offerings:**

- Program Fund \$2,727.00
- Leadership Support \$775.00
- Church Facilities \$350.00
- Missions \$350.00
- Brotherhood Fund \$50.00

*Sunday, March 7 offering:  
Groffdale Missionaries, EMM,  
CV Christian Community Services*

*Next Sunday, March 14 offering:  
Leadership Support*

## **Plans to Resume Sunday School**

Thank you to each of you who responded to the recent Sunday school survey. You have expressed a strong desire to resume Sunday school on Sunday morning prior to our worship service.

In response to these results the survey team developed a recommendation for Sunday school and for a midweek gathering. These recommendations were brought to Leadership Team for consideration.

Leadership Team has decided to resume Sunday school on **Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>** with two options for participation. We will offer an in person class – masks optional – in the Multi-purpose Room beginning at 9 AM. The preservice Zoom gathering will also begin at 9 AM with time given to fellowship and the Sunday school lesson. Both of these activities will end at 9:50 to transition to the worship service in the main auditorium.

Leadership Team decided to wait until after the Lent/Easter season to offer mid-week fellowship with the possibility of a video series such as “The Chosen” as a focus of our study.

We invite potential Sunday school teachers to contact Pastor Richard to volunteer your service.

### **Happy Birthday**

Alisha Horst—Sunday, March 7  
Karina (Prins) Hipple—Sunday, March 7  
Sarah Myers—Sunday, March 14  
Ruthie Zimmerman—Sunday, March 14



### **Happy 81st Birthday**

Clarence Martin—Saturday, March 13

### **Happy Anniversary**

Jeff and Anne Martin—Sunday, March 14

## **Coins for MCC and Food Items for CVCCS**

During the month of March we will be collecting coins for MCC's water project and food items for Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services (CVCCS). You are welcome to bring your donations to the church any Sunday in March. In addition to Sunday mornings, we are also offering two drive-thru times for you to drop off coins and food items as follows:

**Sunday, March 14 (2:00-3:00 pm)**

**Sunday, March 28 (2:00—3:00 pm)**

Brian and Krista Snader and their children, Brandon and Lucinda will be here to greet you and accept donations.

*Thanks for considering this opportunity for donating to needs locally as well as globally.*

**CVCCS Food Items:**  
**Macaroni and cheese (boxes or cups)**  
**Chicken noodle soup**  
**Beef vegetable soup**  
**Tomato soup**

# SCRIPTURE MEMORY ENDEAVOR

We are excited to invite our children and everyone in our congregation to a scripture memory challenge. Please let Pastor Tom know in advance if you would like to recite. This is not a performance but a way of encouraging one another! We also encourage you to call someone else in the congregation to say your verse to them. This is a great way to connect with others at church.

Children ages 12 and under can earn points each week for their scripture memory. These points can be used to "purchase" items on a prize shelf in the church library. Thanks to the team that has been working with Pastor Tom in planning this project. (Mag Nolt, Krista Snader, Sandy Lindsey, Rachel Gabilondo, Joyce Shenk and Ruthie Umble.)

## Children's Bible memory point system:

- One point for the memory verses
- One extra point for the challenge verses
- One extra point for the epic challenge verses
- One extra point for reciting to the congregation



## Lenten Scripture Memory Challenge: I Corinthians 13

During the weeks of Lent, our scripture memory focus will be I Corinthians 13. Pastor Tom would like to challenge anyone, including our children, to memorize as much of this chapter as you can by Easter, April 4. As part of our Easter celebration this year, we will invite people to recite I Corinthians 13. Children will receive one point for every verse that they recite from week to week and a special prize for reciting the entire chapter.

**Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.**



### SAVE THE DATE!

March 20th at 9:00 a.m.

### 2021 CELEBRATION OF CHURCH LIFE

## Deep & Wide

Join us for this virtual only event.

Speakers + Worship + Seminars

Fellowship + and more!



## Chicken BBQ Meal—*New Location*

To benefit Darryl and Miriam Weaver  
Serving with EMM in Germany

Saturday, March 20

11 am—1 pm

*Drive-thru/pick-up meals*

at Weaverland Church and *Ebenezer's Groceries*  
(465 N. Reading Road, Ephrata)

Delicious chicken leg and thigh with meal option  
Meal includes: coleslaw, applesauce, roll, chips,  
cookie and drink

*Help us support refugees and persecuted Christians  
in Germany by purchasing a delicious meal!*

