

Groffdale Mennonite Church

Volume 66

November 14, 2021

Number 46

SUPPLEMENT

Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Romans 12:10

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

- Missions \$3,223.00

*Sunday, November 14 offering:
Leadership Support*

*Next Sunday, November 21 offering:
Program Fund*

Happy 81st Birthday

Miriam Weaver—Sunday, November 21

Happy Birthday

Anne Martin—Tuesday, November 16

Doris Mohler—Thursday, November 18

Steve Nolt—Saturday, November 20

Fern Bauman—Tuesday, November 23



You're Invited!

You are invited to attend a music recital on **Friday, November 19 at 6:30 pm** at Groffdale. Local strings and orchestra teacher, Jennifer Petry, will direct 15-20 students, including Caeley, Lily and Elyse Zimmerman, in their solo performances. Refreshments will follow in the all-purpose room.



SAVE THE DATES!!!



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19 AT 9:00 A.M.

Coffee and pastries in the all purpose room

No Sunday School

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 - Christmas eve service

More details coming soon!

Opportunity to Affirm

Pastoral Team Position for Krista Snader

As announced last Sunday, opportunity will be given starting today to give affirmation to the proposed pastoral team position for Krista Snader. Affirmation forms are available at the ends of each bench and at the table in the back. You are welcome to place your completed affirmation form in the offering plate or in Levi Hoover's church mailbox. You will also have opportunity to submit your affirmation form to Levi Hoover's church mailbox next Sunday November 21 by 10:00 AM.



CV Christmas Holiday Project

Groffdale has been invited to participate in the CV (Conestoga Valley) Christmas Holiday Project to help support families in need this Christmas season. Each student who has been identified will be receiving a \$50 gift card. These gift cards will be provided to parents to purchase gifts for their child(ren).

- The request is for \$50 gift cards from Walmart or Target. Groffdale would like to donate at least 10 gift cards.
- They are also requesting new rolls of Christmas wrapping paper, tape and labels.

A box is available in the lobby for gift cards, wrapping paper, tape and labels.

Please bring your donations to church by Sunday, November 28.

Thank you for your generosity and help with providing support to Conestoga Valley families in need this Christmas season. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Shenk.

SEEKING ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

As previously announced, Joyce Shenk plans to retire from her role as administrative assistant at the end of 2021. We are so grateful for Joyce's years of outstanding service in this role. We would like to invite the congregation to prayer as we formally open the position and invite applications. We welcome applicants from within or outside our congregation. Please feel free to shoulder tap or to suggest people who you sense would be gifted for this position. Interested persons may contact and send a resume to Levi Hoover at lhoov@frontier.com. A detailed job description is available upon request.

Adult Sunday School Books

Adult Sunday School books for the Winter quarter (December 2021 - February 2022) are on the table in the narthex. Please help yourself.



Norma Rutt will be going to Georgia to be with her sister and family from November 18 until at least Christmas. Her address will be:

Norma Rutt
c/o Gerald and Laretta Eshleman
2576 Georgia Highway 88
Hephzibah, GA 30815

German Christmas Market and Auction

Saturday, November 20

Weaverland Anabaptist Faith Community
210 Weaverland Valley Road

Craft Show: 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Food: 4:00 pm—8 pm

Live Auction starts at 5:00 pm

See poster on bulletin board for more details.

This event benefits long-term missionaries, Darrel and Miriam Weaver working with refugees in Germany.

Conestoga Valley Ministerium

Community Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Faith Church

2124 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster

Everyone is welcome to join us!



Sunday of Remembrance on first Sunday of Advent November 28

As we enter the season of Advent, we are planning a Sunday of lament and hope in which we remember loved ones who are no longer with us. Advent turns our attention to longing and hope in Jesus, and for many of us, a longing for the day when we will see loved ones again in heaven. We invite you to participate in this worship service in a variety of ways, according to what you find meaningful.

1. Come to the worship service on November 28 with a loved one in mind who is no longer with us. Prepare in your heart to lament this person's absence and to give thanks to God for their life. (can be more than one person). This could be someone who recently passed away or someone who has been gone many years.
2. You may choose to write up a short description of why this person meant so much to you and the impact they had on your life. If you choose, you may read or have someone else read your writing to the congregation. Send your writing to Pastor Tom (tome@groffdale.com) or his church mailbox **by Friday, November 26.**
3. Submit a picture of your loved one to be included in a slide show of remembrance. You can submit a digital image or a print image. Send to tome@groffdale.com **by Friday, November 26.**

We are still planning this worship service and pray that this service will be a time of consolation and thanksgiving as we worship Jesus, the one in whom we have our ultimate hope. We invite you to participate in the ways that are most meaningful to you.