

Groffdale Mennonite Church



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Our Mission: To be a healing community of believers passionately committed to Jesus as Lord through worship, nurture, and outreach.
Every member a minister!

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Welcome! We are glad you are here!

8:30 a.m. Pre-service Prayer Time in conference room #201

9:00 a.m. Sunday School. Nursery is provided.

Prelude—Linda Herr

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Call to worship and announcements—Audrey Groff

Leader: Mindful that God, the great Mystery has called us

All: We gather to worship

Leader: Curious about God's ways

All: We gather to worship

Leader: Wondering in the face of uncertainty

All: We gather to worship

Leader: Receive our worship and our wonderings, O God, as we seek after you

Gathering song—Glenn Hershey

Call to Worship and Prayer

Offering: Leadership Support

Offertory—*You are all we have* (CD)

Children will be collecting coins for MCC's Water Project.

Children's Time—Kathy Stoltzfus

Worship Team—Keith Stoltzfus

Scripture Reading—Audrey Groff John 3:1-17

Sermon—Pastor Tom Eshleman

"Nicodemus learns from Jesus" John 3:1-21

Hymn of Response—Glenn Hershey

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Serving Today:

Greeters—Charles and Fern Bauman

Ushers—John and Kathy Frey

Projectionist—Chris Martin

Sound Technician—Tim Greenawalt

Nursery—9:00—Mag Nolt

10:00—Open



Give thanks to God:

- ♦ For His everlasting love, goodness and mercy.



Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- * The Jere Martin family on the loss of their wife, mother and grandmother, Naomi Martin, on Thursday, March 9. Especially remember Joyce as she adjusts to life without her mother.
- * Mel Martin as he recovers at LGH from open heart surgery. Pray for Norene and the family as they support him.
- * Keith Stoltzfus as he recovers from out-patient surgery this past Thursday.
- * Andres Prins as he travels to Cairo with David Shenk for three days of meetings jointly organized by Egyptian Christian and Muslim scholars. On the way home they will be visiting J and M and other Christian leaders in Istanbul.
- * The planning of the “Inspired Parenting” class being held here at Groffdale on Wednesday evenings beginning April 19.



Events This Week

Wednesday: **Morning prayer group**, 8:30 a.m. at the church

Friday: **Celebration of Church Life**, 7:00 p.m. at Weaverland
Mennonite Church

Saturday: **Celebration of Church Life**, 9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m. at
Weaverland Mennonite Church

Sunday: **8:30 a.m. prayer**—all are welcome

Next Sunday, March 19, 2017

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| Prelude/Offertory: Chadman Martin | Offering: Church Facilities |
| Worship Leader: Lloyd Weaver | Greeters: Leonard and Mim Martin |
| Praise Music: Anne Martin and Jennifer Eshleman | Ushers: Glenn and Helen Hershey |
| Hymns: Mark Wenger | Projectionist: Trevor Lambert |
| Children's Time: Rick & Ruthie Umble | Sound technician: Dale Weaver |
| Sermon: Tom Eshleman | <u>Nursery:</u> |
| Topic: "Jesus heals a man born blind" | 9:00—Open |
| Scripture Text: John 9:1-41 | 10:00— Steve and Sharon Nolt |

Lent 2

Our focus for today. We wonder:

*In our humanness. we want to know. to define. and
to have concrete answers for everything. However.
life is filled with uncertainty. We trust God is
always present with us in our wondering.*



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