

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—Chadman Martin

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Welcome and Prayer—Lloyd Weaver

Opening Hymn— Mark Wenger

Call to Worship

Leader: Here in this place we gather to worship.

All: *Open our eyes and our hearts.*

Leader: Here in this place we gather to see you.

All: *Open our eyes and our hearts.*

Leader: Here in this place we gather to perceive you in all your glory and beauty.

All: *Open our eyes and our hearts.*

Leader: Remove our blindness so that we might see ourselves honestly, and humbly worship you.

Offering: Church Facilities

Offertory—Chadman Martin

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

Children's Time—Rick and Ruthie Umble

Worship Team—Anne Martin and Jennifer Eshleman

Scripture Reading

Sermon—Pastor Tom Eshleman

"Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind"

Scripture text: John 9:1-41

Song of Response—Mark Wenger

Congregation Sharing

Prayer and Benediction

Serving Today:

Greeters—Leonard and Mim Martin

Ushers—Glenn and Helen Hershey

Projectionist—Trevor Lambert

Sound Technician—Dale Weaver

Nursery—9:00—Open

10:00—Steve and Sharon Nolt



Bring these persons to God in prayer:



- ◆ The family of Naomi Martin as they remember and celebrate her life. Pray for Naomi's husband, Jere and their children; Joyce, Donnie, Barry and Bob during this time of grieving her passing and rejoicing in the life she now experiences in the presence of Jesus.
- ◆ John Zimmerman as he recovers from surgery on Tuesday. Pray God's strength and peace for John and Ruth during this difficult time.
- ◆ Naomi Weaver as she recovers from surgery on Wednesday. Pray God's continued protection and healing for Naomi and for her husband, Lloyd as he supports her.
- ◆ Continued healing and strengthening for Mel Martin as he recovers from heart surgery last week. Give thanks for the healing and protection that Mel has already experienced.
- ◆ Healing for Doug Hoover as he begins physical therapy for a misaligned knee cap that has been giving him significant pain. Pray for pain relief and full restoration for Doug.
- ◆ Pastor Tom as he travels to Shirati, Tanzania on Tuesday for the ordination of five new bishops in the Tanzania Mennonite Church. Pray that God would give Tom and Keith Weaver the ability to communicate blessing and honor in this difficult culture. (Tom returns on Wednesday, March 29.)
- ◆ Pastor Austin and his fiancée, Janelle, as they participate in Engaged Encounter this weekend in anticipation of their wedding on April 29.

Events This Week

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

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

Next Sunday, March 26, 2017

Prelude/Offertory: Bob Mohler
Worship Leader: Kathy Frey
Praise Music: Jessica Kiefski
Hymns: Henry Youndt
Children's Time: Mark Wenger
Sermon: Kathy Weaver Wenger
Topic: "Jesus and the woman at
the well"
Scripture Text: John 4:5-42

Offering: Leadership Support
Greeters: Elmer and Minerva Nolt
Ushers: Clete and Diane Weaver
Projectionist: Tanner Eshleman
Sound technician: Harold Musselman
Nursery:
9:00—Open
10:00—Tom and Jen Lambert

Lent 3

Our focus for today—We See:

We are bombarded by visual images, and can mistake what is seen for what is true. God reveals hidden truths, surprising us and challenging our assumptions. Once our eyes and hearts are opened, we can see with greater clarity.



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