

Groffdale Mennonite Church

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SUPPLEMENT

THANK YOU for last Sunday's (October 15) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Church Facilities \$4,032.00
- Leadership Support \$870.00
- Program Fund \$785.00`
- Missions \$785.00
- Sewing Circle \$50.00
- Mennonite Disaster Service \$43.00

Happy Birthday

Colin Nolt—Monday, October 23
Andres Prins—Monday, October 23
Jared Jaskolka—Tuesday, October 24
Elaine Hoover—Wednesday, October 25
Timothy W—Wednesday, October 25
MW—Thursday, October 26
Audrey Groff—Saturday, October 28
Lucas Heft—Saturday, October 28
JW—Monday, October 30



Happy 83rd Birthday

Janet Martin—Friday, October 27



Happy Anniversary

Harold and Doris Musselman—Monday, October 23
John and Kathy Frey—Saturday, October 28

Happy 50th Anniversary

Glenn and Helen Hershey—Saturday, October 28

A BIG thank you to the senior youth, the Wissler's, and everyone that helped Eldon and I during the Homecoming celebration, before, during and after! We were able to donate \$2400 back to the senior youth from the meal! Thank you again, we could not have done it without you all! Eldon and Joy

Homecoming

Groffdale Mennonite Church

Celebrating 300 years of God's Faithfulness!

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

October 29

Jason Hershey will be preaching.
Jason is the son of Glenn and Helen Hershey.

November 5

Pastor Tom—"Preparing for Communion"

November 12

Pastor Tom will be preaching

November 19—COMMUNION

Pastor Tom will be preaching

November 26

Pastor Austin will be preaching



DVD's of our Homecoming worship celebration are available. Please sign up on the sheet on the lobby table if you'd like to order one. Cost of the DVD's are \$10.00.

RESERVE THE DATE—NOVEMBER 5

As part of our 300th anniversary celebration, you are invited to join Pastor Austin and Andres Prins in visiting the Groffdale Conference congregation (which meets at the "Frame Church" on Groffdale Church Road) for their Sunday service (held mainly in German) on **November 5 from 9 to 11am**. We will leave together from GMC parking lot at 8:45.

Groffdale Volunteer Day at Material Resources Center (MRC)

Tuesday, October 24

9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

MRC provides drinks and snacks at 10:00 break.
Please bring a packed lunch to enjoy at noon.
Tasks in the warehouse are many, and vary by day.
They include quilting, kit packing and recycling.
Everyone is invited to come out and volunteer. You may come for the entire time or for just part of the time. If you need a ride, please let Mag Nolt know.

Administrative team is happy to announce that Pat Mast will begin serving next week in the role of bookkeeper here at Groffdale! We welcome Pat as she works with Henry Youndt over the coming months to become familiar with Groffdale finance.



Welsh Mountain Home

FALL BENEFIT BANQUET

Wednesday, October 25

6:15 p.m.

Yoder's Restaurant, New Holland

Entertainment: Soul Purpose

Reservations: call Melody Jacobs at 717-355-9522, ext. 102

Freewill offering: Filling "the Gap" for our residents



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Woodcrest Retreat is looking for volunteers to assist two or more nights with the "Journey to Bethlehem", an outdoor portrayal of the Christmas story. Dates are December 8, 9, 15 and 16.

Contact will@woodcrestretreat.org with your interest or questions.



SUPPORT FOR PRISON MINISTRIES

Benefit Auction

Friday evening and Saturday

October 27 and 28

Ephrata Business Center

400 West Main Street

Ephrata, PA

Check out the poster on the lower level bulletin board for details.

MAKING DISCIPLES: EVERY CHURCH NEEDS A PLAN FOR ADULT DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Monday, October 30 (7:00—8:30 p.m.)

Parish Resource Center

Led by Heather Brickner PRC Staff, Edie Cameron, Pastor of Discipleship & Administration at First United Methodist Church, Lancaster and Josef Berthold, Pastor at West End Mennonite Fellowship.

CVCCS News

CVCCS would welcome donations of the following food items:

- ♥ Stuffing mix
- ♥ Turkey gravy
- ♥ Dessert mixes (cakes & icing, bars)
- ♥ Canned fruit



Please place your food donations in the box provided in the lobby.

Thanksgiving is Coming!

CVCCS will be giving out food boxes again this year on November 21. They will be receiving 125 turkeys through Lancaster County Project for the Needy (LCPN). If persons would like to donate, please call ahead so CVCCS staff can meet you to receive your donations. (717) 208-3711, ext. 104.



GOSPEL ECHOES TEAM CONCERT

Sharing Christ in Prison

Sunday, November 5

7:00 PM

Hinkletown Mennonite Church

- Gospel Music
- Prison Testimonies
- Multi-media

A freewill offering will be received for the ministry.

NEIGHBORING WELL: LIVING LIKE JESUS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Monday, November 6

7:00—8:30 pm

Parish Resource Center

Jesus taught us to love our neighbors as ourselves, but how should we do this in our current culture? Join us for a panel discussion with leaders who are helping churches think about loving their neighbors, but even more, are committed to doing it themselves on a daily basis. Each person attending will leave with practical examples and reflective questions to help them, and people at their church, think honestly about who their neighbors are and how they can practically extend love.

SILENT SANCTUARY RETREATS

offered at Black Rock Retreat

Various dates November through May

See poster on bulletin board or visit their website at www.blackrockretreat.com/silent to sign up for one of these powerful self-guided prayer retreats.

This retreat makes an excellent gift for the person longing for a bit of quiet in the midst of a hectic and demanding life.