

# Groffdale Mennonite Church

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## **SUPPLEMENT**

**THANK YOU** for last Sunday's (November 5) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Missions \$5,427.93
- Leadership Support \$717.70
- Program Fund \$200.00
- Church Facilities \$100.00
- Mennonite Schools Tuition Aid \$100.00

Thank you for your faithful support of Groffdale Mennonite Church. As you plan your year end giving, please give prayerful concern to the following needs:

- Program Fund continues to be in the red by about \$6,100
- Leadership Support Fund is in the red by about \$4,700
- We still need about \$2,600 to cover the cost of our homecoming celebration, which is part of the Program Fund and is included in the \$6,100 stated above.

Thanks again for all your generous donations.

Henry Youndt, Treasurer

### **Happy Birthday**

Anne Martin—Thursday, November 16  
Lester Martin—Saturday, November 18  
Mel Martin—Saturday, November 18  
Doris Mohler—Saturday, November 18  
Steve Nolt—Monday, November 20  
Miriam Weaver—Tuesday, November 21



### **Happy Anniversary**

Mel and Norene Martin—Saturday, November 18



### **Needed for 170 House:**

One double bed (headboard and frame only)

Contact Harold Wissler



## **DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

### **November 19—COMMUNION**

Pastor Tom will be preaching

### **November 26**

Pastor Austin will be preaching



### **December 3—1st Sunday of Advent**

Pastor Tom will be preaching

### **December 10—2nd Sunday of Advent**

Michael Berg of YWAM Orlando will be preaching

### **December 17—3rd Sunday of Advent**

Pastor Tom will be preaching

### **December 24—Christmas Eve**

9:00 a.m. Christmas Tea

10:00 a.m. Pastor Tom will be preaching

7:00 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve service



### **December 31**

Pastor Austin will be preaching

### **Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster Christmas Concert Series 2017**

Thursday, November 30 at 7:00pm

Neffsville Mennonite Church, Lancaster

Saturday, December 2 at 4:00pm

First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster

Sunday, December 3 at 4:00 pm

Highland Presbyterian Church, Lancaster



*...training children and youth to glorify Jesus Christ through excellent choral singing.*

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS**



Groffdale is again partnering with CVCCS to help support a Conestoga Valley family in need this Christmas season. The family we're sponsoring has six children.

There's a table in the lobby with Christmas ornaments listing the gift and suggested value. Stop by and choose an ornament....or two. Please wrap your gift and attach the ornament to the outside of the package. **Bring your gift(s) to church by Sunday, December 3.**

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

## CVCCS News

CVCCS would welcome donations of the following food items:

- ♥ Canned fruit
- ♥ Canned soup
- ♥ Canned beans of all varieties



**Current clothing needs: Gently used coats of all sizes.**  
*Please place your 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.

### **CALLING ALL BAKERS!!!**

CVCCS is looking for Cookie Bakers for two upcoming events. If you are able to donate homemade cookies, please call Deb at (717) 208-3711 or email her at [volunteer@cvccs.org](mailto:volunteer@cvccs.org).

Bird-in-Hand Bakery will be partnering with CVCCS on **December 9, 9:00-11:00 a.m.** There will be events for all ages such as decorating a cookie, carolers, and holiday shopping with some local crafters. Watch the CVCCS Facebook and webpage for further announcements.



**"Journey to Bethlehem"** will be held at Woodcrest Retreat weekend nights of **December 8, 9, 15 and 16.** The Christmas story comes alive, in six unique scenes, as you walk by candlelight along quiet wooded trails with the Biblical characters. Dramatic actors, live nativity and real animals. Visit [www.WoodcrestRetreat.org](http://www.WoodcrestRetreat.org) for more details. Groups may call the office for guaranteed admission details at 717-738-2233. See poster on bulletin board for times and prices.



## **VOICES OF HOPE**

### **2017 Holiday Festival**

**December 3, 2017**

Refreshments 6 p.m.

Concert 7 p.m.

### **The Trust Performing Arts Center**

37 N. Market Street, Lancaster

Join us for a musical celebration of holiday favorites and help support thousands of disadvantaged students worldwide. Concert proceeds benefit the children and young adults through MCC's Education Programs.

**To reserve tickets,  
go to [voicesofhopeopera.org](http://voicesofhopeopera.org)**

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY AT LANCASTER MENNONITE**

Lancaster Mennonite School is seeking an Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. This is an 80% position (4 days per week). They are looking for a person with organizational and computer skills who is able to work well with details and deadlines. Good people skills and a willingness to work collaboratively for the benefit of the school are a must, along with understanding and practicing Anabaptist Christian values. Persons of underrepresented racial/ethnic groups are encouraged to apply. For more information, please contact Lorri Hengst at (717) 740-2434 or [hengstlk@lancastermennonite.org](mailto:hengstlk@lancastermennonite.org).

### **EVENTS AT FAIRMOUNT HOMES**

(See posters on the bulletin board for event details.)

#### **Monday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m.**

##### **- Work of MCC Shared in Songs and Stories**

Ken Sensenig and Les Gustafson-Zook will be presenting a program, *Songs and Stories of the Church at Work Around the World*, sharing their MCC experiences in story and song.

#### **Monday, November 13 at 1:30 p.m.**

##### **- Tax Update Seminar**

The speakers will be Joyce Martin and Steve Musser. Topics of discussion include tax brackets, capital gains, retirement planning, tax credits, gifting, itemized deductions, and changes in PA tax filing.

***These events are free and open to the public.***