

# Groffdale Mennonite Church

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## **SUPPLEMENT**

**THANK YOU** for last Sunday's (November 10) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Leadership Support \$4,799.90
- Capital Funds Project \$7,550.00
- Missions \$1,640.00
- Program Fund \$300.00

### **Happy Birthday**

Lester Martin—Monday, November 18  
Mel Martin—Monday, November 18  
Doris Mohler—Monday, November 18  
Steve Nolt—Wednesday, November 20  
Miriam Weaver—Thursday, November 21  
Fern Bauman—Saturday, November 23

### **Happy Anniversary**

Mel and Norene Martin—Monday, November 18

### **Thank you note!**

Thank you so very much for your generous gift of \$571.70 to Leola Homes of Hope Transitional Housing. There are many families facing homelessness in our community, and your gift will make a real difference, helping to bless those in need with a place to live and connecting them to the Church, so that their hope is renewed.

Thank you, too, for your prayers and commitment to this ministry.

Kim Wittel, Executive Director

## **DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

**Nov 24, 2019** - Message from Pastor Austin

**Dec 1, 2019** - Message from Pastor Tom

**Dec 8, 2019** - Message from Pastor Tom

### **CHILD PROTECTION UPDATE**

If you have attended one of the two Child Protection trainings, please remember to:

- **Read** the policy
- **Sign** the verification page
- **Return** the signed paper to Joyce Shenk

**Thank you!**

### **Christmas Project for Local Family**

Groffdale is again sponsoring a Conestoga Valley family in need this Christmas season.



The family we are sponsoring has seven children ranging in age from one year to 13 years old (6 boys and 1 girl). There's a table in the lobby with Christmas ornaments listing the gift and suggested value.

**Here's how you can help:**

1. Choose an ornament...or two from the display.
2. Wrap your gift and **attach the ornament to the outside of the package - this is very important since it identifies the recipient of the gift.**
3. Bring your gift to church by Sunday, **December 1.**

*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.*

## **SOUP RECIPES**

**Thanks** to those of you who made soup for our Soup Potluck Lunch on Sunday. It was a huge success! We've been hearing positive comments. People have been requesting the soup recipes. Are you willing to share your recipe? Please forward your soup recipes to Joyce Shenk so she can make copies available.



### **Conestoga Valley Ministerium Thanksgiving Service**

**Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 PM**  
**Faith Church**  
**2124 Old Philadelphia Pike**  
**Lancaster**

Community  
Thanksgiving  
Service



## Request for Magazines

Do you have magazines that you would be willing to share? Our counselors, Tom Horst and Carol Gingerich, would like to have magazines available for their clients in the waiting area. They're looking for magazines such as Farm and Ranch, Country, Birds and Blooms, Guideposts, etc.

If you have magazines you'd be willing to share, please place them in the "Magazines" box on the lobby table.

Thank you!



## MCCL Christmas Concert Series

The Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster (MCCL) invites you to ring in Christmas with them and guest artist Sherrie Strange-Pratt, NYC soprano:

### Thursday, December 5 at 7pm

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Lancaster

### Saturday, December 7 at 4 pm

Forest Hills Mennonite Church, Leola

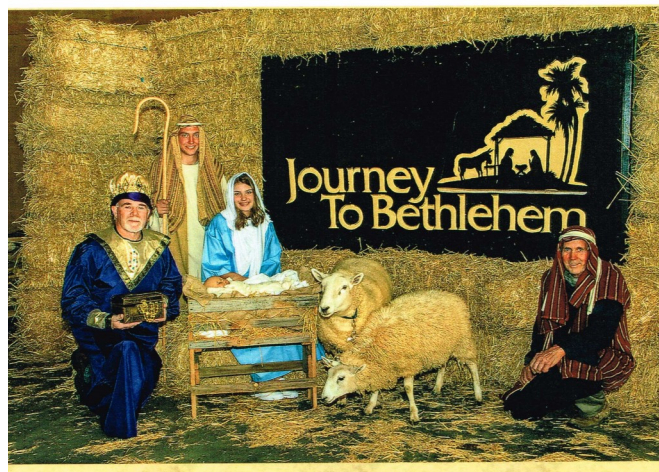
### Sunday, December 8 at 4pm

Highland Presbyterian Church, Lancaster



The mission of MCCL is "training children and youth to glorify Jesus Christ through excellent choral singing." This program of Lancaster Mennonite School is open to the community. For more information, visit [www.mennonitechorenschoir.org](http://www.mennonitechorenschoir.org).

**"Journey to Bethlehem"** will be held at Woodcrest Retreat on December 13, 14, 20, and 21. The Christmas story will come alive as guests walk along wooded trails in six outdoor scenes with Biblical characters and live animals. Visit [www.woodcrestretreat.org](http://www.woodcrestretreat.org) for more information.



## WINTER BLAST at Woodcrest Retreat

Monday, December 30

9:00 am—4:00 pm

Ages 6-10

Fee: \$35 (pay upon arrival)



A fun, wholesome winter-time event for your child. Gingerbread house competition, crafts, Bible stories, Outside (snow) activities (weather permitting). Hot lunch included.

Register online at [www.WoodcrestRetreat.org](http://www.WoodcrestRetreat.org). Click on the "events" tab.

*Experience camp in the winter!*

## Adult Sunday School Materials for the Winter quarter are available.



SUNDAY  
SCHOOL

Student books are in the classrooms.

Teacher's guides are on the information table in the lobby.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you for your gift of \$5,000 to Welsh Mountain Home! Your investment into the lives of aging adults at Welsh Mountain Home is amazing. Because of you, they can continue receiving care in a home-like environment regardless of their economic status, race, disability, or background.

Thank you again,  
Mona Frey  
Executive Director, LPN, PCHA  
Welsh Mountain Home

