

# Groffdale Mennonite Church

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## **SUPPLEMENT**

**THANK YOU** for last Sunday's (November 24) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Leadership Support \$4,280.00
- Capital Projects Fund \$5,000.00
- Program Fund \$150.00

*The total amount of coin and cash collected through the children's coin offering from September 29–November 24 totaled \$1,026.17. This amount will be donated to the Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services (CVCCS) Weekend Blessings program. The program addresses the need of food insecurity of children in the Conestoga Valley School District. Thanks to all who donated and to the children for their efforts to collect the donations.*

### **Happy Birthday**

Angela Hahn—Sunday, December 1  
Miriam Auker—Tuesday, December 3  
Daryl Groff—Thursday, December 5  
Cassidy Martin—Friday, December 6  
Lexi Kreiner—Sunday, December 8  
Joyce Shenk—Sunday, December 8  
Joy Witmer—Monday, December 9



### **Happy 80th Birthday**

Minerva Nolt—Tuesday, December 10

### **Happy Anniversary**

Dean and Stephanie Myers—Thursday, December 5  
Elmer and Minerva Nolt—Friday, December 6

## **SEWING CIRCLE NEWS**

On Tuesday, December 3, the Sewing Circle will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the church. You are invited to bring a friend. For lunch bring a finger food to share; sandwiches will be provided. Also, bring cookies for the cookie plates we will be packing.



## **DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

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

**Dec 15, 2019** - Message from Pastor Tom

**Dec 22, 2019** - Message from Austin

**Dec 29, 2019** - Message from Three Wise People



### **Gifts for the Christmas Project**

Thanks to everyone who is helping to sponsor a local family for our Christmas project!

Please remember to bring your presents to church by **TODAY—December 1.**



Please **attach** the red gift tag ornament to the **outside** of the package—this is very important since it identifies the recipient of the gift.

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



**SINGING LIGHT**

A Walking Roots Band Christmas  
MCC Benefit Concert

**DEC. 7, 7:00 PM**

Stumptown Mennonite Church  
2813 Stumptown Rd.  
Bird in Hand, PA 17505

a benefit concert for  
Mennonite  
Central  
Committee

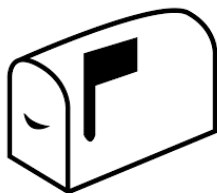
in partnership with  
PENNSYLVANIA  
**RELIEF SALE**  
Celebrating Community. CREATING HOPE.

**SINGINGLIGHT.ORG**

FREE ADMISSION. A free-will offering will be received to support MCC!

Robert Hahn is a resident at Fairlane Gardens Nursing and Rehab. We invite you to send him cards at this address:

**Robert Hahn**  
**Fairlane Gardens**  
**21 Fairlane Road**  
**Reading, PA 19606**



### **CVCCS NEWS**

Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services (CVCCS) is in need of the following items:

#### **FOOD BANK NEEDS:**

- Meal kits—Hamburger and Tuna Helpers
- Mayonnaise and ketchup

#### **CLOTHING BANK NEEDS**

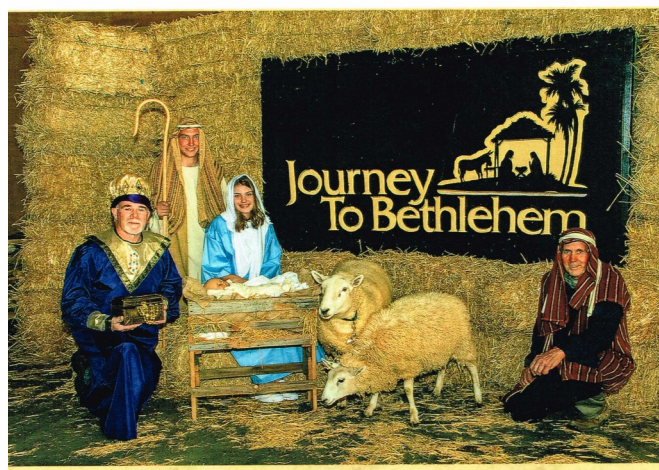
- New boxer briefs sizes 8-18
- Gently used coats for toddlers and children

*Please place your donations in the CVCCS box  
in the lobby.*

*Thank you for your generosity!*



**“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.



### **Welsh Mountain Home—Urgent Need!!!**

Welsh Mountain Home (WMH) is experiencing a staffing crisis and is seeking staff for the following positions:

- FT and PT personal care aides (day and evening shifts)
- PT housekeeping position
- PT or FT cook position



Interested persons can apply in person, through the website “Indeed”, or online at [www.welshmountainhome.org](http://www.welshmountainhome.org).

Welsh Mountain Home would also appreciate your prayers as they navigate through this difficult time.

### **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.mennonitechildrenschoir.org](http://www.mennonitechildrenschoir.org).



### **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!**