

Groffdale Mennonite Church

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SUPPLEMENT

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1

THANK YOU for this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings and individuals' offerings:

- Church Facilities \$3,559.25
- Leadership Support \$1,058.00
- Program Fund \$575.00
- Missions \$507.00
- Sewing Circle \$50.00
- Capital Projects Fund \$100.00
- First Sunday Extra Offering \$125.00

*Sunday, November 22 offering:
Leadership Support*

*Next Sunday, November 29 offering:
Program Fund*

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Leane Groff is moving to Brethren Village on December 5. Her new address will be:

**Leane Groff
Brethren Village Townhouse
Apartment 314
3001 Lititz Pike
Lititz, PA 17543**



NOTE!
ADDRESS CHANGE

Please make a note of this change.



Happy Birthday

Fern Bauman—Monday, November 23
Angela Hahn—Tuesday, December 1

Happy 87th Birthday

John Zimmerman—Sunday, November 29

Happy Anniversary

Jonas and Emma Reiff—Saturday, November 28



If you would like to send a card to **Paul Wenger**, please use this address:

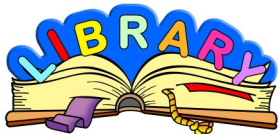
**Lancaster Rehab Hospital
675 Good Drive
Paul Wenger Room 192
Lancaster, PA 17601**

Get Well Soon!

BOOK ALERT

The recently acquired book "Chosen and Adopted" by Irvin Martin has gone missing from our library. A number of people would like to read this book but it has not returned. If you have seen this book or may have accidentally carried it along home, please let Cliff know so we can account for it.

The Library is open and I want to encourage you to stop in and check out new additions or old favorites.



Many thanks!
Cliff

We invite you to send cards of encouragement to **Fred Reeser**. His new address is:

**Fred Reeser
c/o Genesis Brandywine Hall
800 West Miner Street
West Chester, PA, 19382**



*I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13*

UPDATED Health Guidelines for Worship at Groffdale Mennonite Church Sunday, November 22, 2020

We are so grateful for the spirit of cooperation and teamwork we are experiencing as we gather for worship! Thank you for the inconveniences and sacrifices everyone is making so that we can be together. Let's continue to seek God's wisdom and protection.

- ◆ Our worship service is being made available via Zoom. The worship service begins at 10:00 but you are welcome to enter the Zoom service any time between 9:30 and 10:00 for fellowship and prayer. We are giving extra effort to making this a quality and relational experience so that many will choose this option. You are welcome to come to the in-person gathering, but Zoom may be the best choice for many of our people in light of the increased level of COVID risk in our community.
- ◆ Out of respect for the new requirements from local health officials and out of concern for the well-being of our community, we request that masks be worn at all times while in the building.
- ◆ We request that you sit in the benches identified as available so that we can maintain safe distancing while worshipping together.
- ◆ The worship service is being live streamed to the all-purpose room for those who prefer an extra-safe worship environment.
- ◆ After church, let's try as much as possible to not congregate in crowded areas and to maintain distancing of six feet or more. Be attentive to moving conversations outside if you're able or to more open areas.

December Sewing Circle

The leaders of sewing circle would like to continue our tradition of giving cookie plates to some of our members. But due to the rising number of Covid-19 cases in PA, we will do so but suggest these guidelines for **Tuesday, December 1**. Come only if you feel comfortable with the following guidelines.

- Sewing room will be open at 9:00 am for those who wish to quilt or knot.
- Attendees must wear a mask.
- Quilters and knotters must sit one person on a side.
- Anyone wishing to stay for lunch or join us for lunch, please bring your own packed lunch. Coffee and water will be provided.
- After lunch, members will assemble the cookie plates – masks and gloves required.
- For those who do not wish to be a part of the gathering but would like to provide cookies, please have your three dozen cookies in the kitchen by Tuesday, December 1.



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