

*Groffdale Mennonite
Church*

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Groffdale Mennonite Church

Our Mission: To be a healing community of believers passionately committed to Jesus as Lord through worship, nurture, and outreach.
Every member a minister!

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Welcome! We are glad you are here!

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Zoom fellowship time

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Welcome and Call to Worship: Brian Snader (from Zoom)

Gathering Song

Offering: Groffdale Missionaries/EMM/Groffdale Sewing Circle

Song of worship

Scripture Reading

Sermon: Pastor Richard Buckwalter

“Peace...on Earth?”

Scripture text: Isaiah 2:1-5

Song of Response

Prayer and Benediction: Pastor Tom Eshleman (from Zoom)





Serving Today:

Ushers - Glen and Joyce Shenk
Projectionist - Diane Weaver
Sound Technicians - Dale Weaver/Clair Mast

Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- ◆ Minerva Nolt and the entire Nolt family as they grieve the passing of Elmer.
- ◆ Nancy Ressler as their family grieves the passing of her father, David Good.
- ◆ Mel Martin as he has been hospitalized with heart issues at LGH.
- ◆ Ron Hock as he has been hospitalized for aortic valve replacement.
- ◆ All those in our church community dealing with COVID-19.
- ◆ Those impacted by the recent hurricanes in Central America.
- ◆ The Ethiopian Mennonite Church (Meserete Kristos) as they struggle with the violence and turmoil in the northern part of Ethiopia.



Events This Week

Wednesday: **Morning prayer group**, 8:30 a.m. at the church

Groffdale Receives an Amazing Gift from God through the Lilly Foundation

Lilly Endowment Inc. has recently selected Groffdale as one of the recipients of a grant in their 2020 National Clergy Renewal Program. The grant was given based on a proposal submitted by Pastor Tom, focusing on, “Healing, Resilience, and Repurposing”. The grant provides funding for Pastor Tom and his family to take a sabbatical which includes spending time in Australia and Germany during the summer of 2021 (pending COVID restrictions). Tentative dates are May 16 to September 7, 2020. The grant also includes \$15,000 for Groffdale to support interim leadership as well as renewal activities within the congregation. More information will be forthcoming as the time for Pastor Tom’s sabbatical draws nearer.



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