

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:

- Leadership Support \$2,478.00
- Church Facilities \$8,120.00
- Missions \$684.00
- Program Fund \$558.00
- Brotherhood Fund in Memory of Elmer Nolt \$300.00

*Sunday, December 20 offering:
Church Facilities*

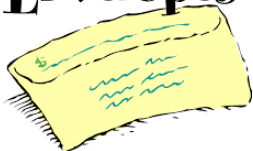
*Next Sunday, December 27 offering:
Leadership Support*

OFFERING OPTION

With church attendance lowered at the present time and the postal delays surrounding the holidays, the other option that is available for offering giving is the monthly ACH through bank transfer. This is a monthly transaction on the 15th of each month from which you can designate your offerings be divided to the month's offering schedule or as you wish to have them designated. This is an option that could be started and/or discontinued when you choose. There is no charge or fee to use this service. If you have any questions or would like to have the form to begin this process, please call Henry or Pat or email to Finance@groffdale.com.

Offering Envelopes

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If anyone is not using the offering envelopes and would like to start using them in the new year, please contact Henry Youndt.

Many Thanks!!!



Thank you to Brian Snader, Yamil and Jose Gavilondo, Will Baumiller, and Henry Youndt for building the stable that we look forward to using on Christmas eve for our outdoor Nativity.



Message on Website

Pastor Tom's message at Elmer Nolt's Memorial Service is on the Groffdale web site. You can access it at www.groffdale.com.



Administration Team Minutes

Copies of the November 18, 2020 Administration Team minutes are available on the information table in the Narthex. Please help yourself to a copy if you'd like one. If you'd like to receive an electronic copy of the minutes, please contact Joyce Shenk in the church office.

Happy Birthday

Miriam L Martin—Tuesday, December 22
Henry Youndt—Tuesday, December 22
Janessa Eshleman—Sunday, December 27
Audrey Myers—Tuesday, December 29



Happy Anniversary

Kenneth and Vera Mast—Sunday, December 20
Mark and Kathy Wenger—Tuesday, December 29

Opportunity to Contribute to Costs of Replacing Air Handlers

The air handlers on the roof of the all-purpose room need to be replaced. The current ones are 26 years old and have exceeded their life expectancy. Updating the system will provide much more efficient use of energy compared to the existing units. After getting recommendations from contractors, and receiving proposals, the Administration Team has approved a proposal from Haller Enterprises in the amount of \$35,465.00. The proposal includes relocating the air-handlers with "AtmosAir Bipolar Ionization Systems". Relocation of the units will minimize the noise level in the all-purpose room and in laboratory testing, AtmosAir systems have shown significant contaminant reduction capabilities. This is a cost that is in addition to the yearly facilities expenses. Prayerfully consider donating generously to the Facilities Fund during your end of year giving to help cover these additional expenses. Thank you, and God bless you for your continued and ongoing generous financial support of Groffdale. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact any of the following individuals.

Levi Hoover, Elder of Administration
Henry Youndt, Treasurer
Clete Weaver, Property Team



2020 LMC Giving for Growth

Please consider making a year-end, tax-deductible gift to support LMC leadership training, discipleship ministries, congregational resourcing, credentialing services, identity development, missional counsel, pastoral transition, conflict resourcing, global relationship, and a host of other services provided to your congregation and others. To give, go to LMCchurches.org. Look for the pamphlet in your church mailbox.

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATE

Minerva Nolt has a new email:

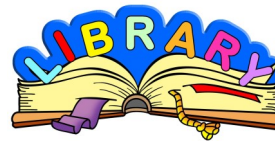
minervanolt@gmail.com

Please make a note of it.



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.



Many thanks!
Cliff



Anabaptist World Group Discount

Anabaptist World is a new independent and non-profit journalistic ministry serving the global Anabaptist movement. Through timely news reporting and insightful commentary, *Anabaptist World* seeks to inform and inspire Mennonites and anyone interested in Anabaptism.

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