### **Groffdale Mennonite Church**

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### **SUPPLEMENT**

In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. John 16:33

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

- Leadership Support \$3,325.00
- Church Facilities \$1,400.00
- Missions \$750.00
- Program Fund \$325.00
- Brotherhood Fund \$200.00
- Brotherhood Fund \$50.00 in memory of Mel Martin

Sunday, February 28 offering: Program Fund

Next Sunday, March 7 offering: Groffdale Missionaries, EMM, CV Christian Community Services

# Happy Birthday

Jonathan Bauman—Tuesday, March 2
Uyen Hockenberry—Tuesday, March 2
Delores Tennis—Tuesday, March 2
Dana Witmer—Tuesday, March 2
Hana Witmer—Tuesday, March 2
Ruthie Umble—Thursday, March 4
Alisha Horst—Sunday, March 7
Karina (Prins) Hipple—Sunday, March 7



Ada Burkhart—Friday, March 5

# Thank you note!

Thank you for your prayers, cards, and encouraging messages on the homegoing of my mother. At 95, her body was failing and she wanted nothing more than to go to be with Jesus.

Linda Herr

# Plans to Resume Sunday School

Thank you to each of you who responded to the recent Sunday school survey. You have expressed a strong desire to resume Sunday school on Sunday morning prior to our worship service.

In response to these results the survey team developed a recommendation for Sunday school and for a midweek gathering. These recommendations were brought to Leadership Team for consideration.

Leadership Team has decided to resume Sunday school on Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> with two options for participation. We will offer an in person class – masks optional – in the Multi-purpose Room beginning at 9 AM. The preservice Zoom gathering will also begin at 9 AM with time given to fellowship and the Sunday school lesson. Both of these activities will end at 9:50 to transition to the worship service in the main auditorium.

Leadership Team decided to wait until after the Lent/Easter season to offer mid-week fellowship with the possibility of a video series such as "The Chosen" as a focus of our study.

We invite potential Sunday school teachers to contact Pastor Richard to volunteer your service.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

Student books and teacher's guides are on the information table in the lobby.

# SCRIPTURE MEMORY ENDEAVOR

We are excited to invite our children and everyone in our congregation to a scripture memory challenge. Please let Pastor Tom know in advance if you would like to recite. This is not a performance but a way of encouraging one another! We also encourage you to call someone else in the congregation to say your verse to them. This is a great way to connect with others at church.

Children ages 12 and under can earn points each week for their scripture memory. These points can be used to "purchase" items on a prize shelf in the church library. Thanks to the team that has been working with Pastor Tom in planning this project. (Mag Nolt, Krista Snader, Sandy Lindsey, Rachel Gavilondo, Joyce Shenk and Ruthie Umble.)

#### **Children's Bible memory point system:**

- One point for the memory verses
- One extra point for the challenge verses
- One extra point for the epic challenge verses
- One extra point for reciting to the congregation

# **Lenten Scripture Memory Challenge: I Corinthians 13**

During the weeks of Lent, our scripture memory focus will be I Corinthians 13. Pastor Tom would like to challenge anyone, including our children, to memorize as much of this chapter as you can by Easter, April 4. As part of our Easter celebration this year, we will invite people to recite I Corinthians 13. Children will receive one point for every verse that they recite from week to week and a special prize for reciting the entire chapter.

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

# **Volunteer Opportunity**



ReUzit on State!

ReUzit on State, a thrift store supporting the work of MCC, has opportunities for volunteers in the processing and retail departments. As we continue to process

and sell donated items, we have been maintaining COVID-19 precautions such as required masking, surface sanitation and in maintaining social distancing for volunteers, shoppers, and staff. We encourage you to bring a friend and serve together. At this time, we are also able to accommodate evening service opportunities for groups. Please call June Landis, Volunteer Coordinator at 717-618-2726 or at voldev@reuzit.org for more information or to arrange a tour of the processing facility and store. We invite you to join us and find

your place to serve locally, with global impact, at

### **Chicken BBQ Meal**

To benefit Darryl and Miriam Weaver Serving with EMM in Germany

> Saturday, March 20 11 am—1 pm

Drive-thru/pick-up meals

at Weaverland Church and Yoder's in New Holland Meal includes BBQ chicken leg and thigh, cole slaw, applesauce, cookie and drink

