Groffdale Mennonite Church



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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!

9:00 a.m. - Zoom Sunday School 9:00 a.m. - Outdoor Sunday School near the firepit 9:00 a.m. - In person Sunday School in the all-purpose room

9:50 - 10:00 a.m. - Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship: Dave Moore

Gathering Song: "The Joy of the Lord is my Strength"

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings: Groffdale Missionaries, EMM,

Landis Homes Benevolent Fund

Scripture Reading: Nehemiah 8: 1-12

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

"The Joy of the Lord is your Strength"

Prayer and Benediction

Interlude Music

Congregational Singing led by Rick Umble (from red hymnal)

#228 "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

#389 "More About Jesus"

#72 "We Will Glorify"

Serving Today:

Ushers - Roy and Ada Burkhart Projectionist - Diane Weaver Sound Technician - Harold Musselman

Bring these situations to God in prayer:

- Give thanks to God for the life of Betty Jean Martin who went home to be with Jesus on Monday. Pray for Betty's family, Arlene and Clarence Martin, and Dale and Brenda Weaver.
- Give thanks to God for Pastor Tom's meaningful trip to El Salvador last week.
- Thelma Eberly as she anticipates knee surgery on May 4.
- Pastor Tom's nephew, Nathan Longenecker, as he perseveres in his final two weeks of daily trips to Philadelphia for radiation.
- Our congregation as we anticipate Pastor Tom's sabbatical this summer. Pray for the interim pastoral team which includes Pastor Richard, Krista and Brian Snader, and Dave Moore.
- The nation of India during this time of tremendous struggle with COVID-19.

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NEHEMIAH 840

Events This Week

Tuesday: Leadership Team meeting, 12:00 noon at Glenda

and Jim Evans's home

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

Visitation Team meeting, 1:00 p.m. at the church

Sunday, May 9, 2021

Worship Leader: Brian Snader Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman Prelude/offertory: Linda Myers

Hymns Leader: Keith Stoltzfus

Projectionist: Chris Martin Sound technician: Dale Weaver Offering: Leadership Support

Ushers: TBD

Outdoor Worship Service and Fellowship Meal Celebration

As Pastor Tom and his family begin their sabbatical on Sunday May 16, we are planning a special outdoor worship service followed by a chicken BBQ lunch for everyone! We hope you will come to worship and stay for lunch! The meal is



a gift to our congregation from the Lily Foundation Clergy Renewal Program. Our worship service on May 16 will include a time of blessing for Pastor Tom and his family as well as a commissioning for our interim pastoral team for the summer. (Richard Buckwalter, Krista and Brian Snader and Dave Moore). Ray Horst will be leading the worship team for our outdoor service! We look forward to times of refreshing for all of us this summer as we seek God for renewal!

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