

*Groffdale Mennonite  
Church*

When they  
saw the  
**Star**  
they rejoiced  
Matthew 2:10



*January 2, 2022*

# ***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!***

**9:00 a.m. - Sunday School**

**9:50 - 10:00 a.m. - Prelude by Joe Jaskolka**

**10:00 a.m. - Worship Service**

Opening Hymn led by Lisa Zimmerman:

Great is Thy faithfulness (Blue hymnal, #327)

Welcome and Prayer

Worship in Giving Tithes and Offerings:

Groffdale Missionaries, EMM, Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, Mennonite Disaster Service

Offertory: Joe Jaskolka

Congregational Hymns led by Lisa Zimmerman:

On this day the Earth shall ring (Blue hymnal, #192)

As with gladness men of old (Blue hymnal, #218)

Children's Time: Pastor Tom Eshelman

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2: 1-12

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

*"They Were Overjoyed"*

Hymn of Response led by Lisa Zimmerman:

Joy to the world (Blue hymnal, #318)

Honoring of Richard and Deborah Buckwalter for their time of service

Benediction

**Bring these people and situations to the Lord in prayer:**

- Pray for Arlene Martin who recently began dialysis treatments at York Wellspan Hospital and is needing to receive a pacemaker. Doctors are waiting for Arlene's kidney function to improve before she can receive the pacemaker.
- Pray for Rick Umble who returned home after several days at LGH undergoing tests for some heart irregularities. Pray continued healing for Rick.
- Pray for the health and wellbeing of our community in the midst of increased COVID cases and hospitalizations. Pray that God would give each of us wisdom in caring for our own health as well as that of our neighbors.
- Pray for all health care workers as hospitals are strained due to COVID. Pray that God would give them strength, endurance and compassion.
- Pray for Andres and Angelica Prins in Morocco as they build relationships and seek to share Jesus.
- Pray for J and M as they encourage potential workers to serve areas of the world unreached with the message of Jesus.
- Pray for Glen and Joyce Shenk, as his mother recently passed away. Pray for wisdom and clarity in the days ahead as they work through the many details.
- Give thanks to God for the gift of Joyce Shenk and Pastor Richard Buckwalter who enter new seasons of their lives this week after serving Groffdale so effectively.
- Pray for our congregation as we seek to call several new elders in 2022. Ask God to prepare the hearts of those who are called and to guide our discernment.
- Pray for the refugees who have been arriving in the Lancaster area. Pray God's blessings on each family who receives a mattress from Church World Service, the recipient of our Christmas Eve offering.

**Events This Week**

Tuesday: **Sewing Circle**, 9:00 a.m. at the church

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



### Serving Today:

Ushers - Glen and Joyce Shenk

Projectionist - Diane Weaver

Sound Technician - Clair Mast

Live Stream - Jim Evans

Camera Operator - Brandon Snader



### Serving Next Sunday, January 9, 2022

Worship Leader: Ruthie Umble

Sermon: Tom Eshelman

Prelude/Offertory: Linda Myers

Hymns Leader: Rick Umble

Projectionist: Janessa Eshleman

Sound Technician: Dale Weaver

Live Stream: Chris Martin

Camera Operator: Levi Hoover

Offering: Leadership Support

Ushers: Glenn and Helen Hershey

Nursery: Jennifer Eshleman and

Lisa Zimmerman

Activity Table: Rachel Gavilondo

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