

## **SUPPLEMENT**

Do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you. –Joshua 1:9

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

- Leadership Support: \$862.70
- Missions: \$50.00

*Today's offering: Church Facilities*

*Next Sunday, January 23 offering:  
Leadership Support*

We are launching a special coin offering for a preschool in Guinea Bissau, Africa.



Pastor Tom will introduce the project during children's time this morning.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- Lucinda Snader:** Sunday, January 16
- Marv Smoker:** Sunday, January 16
- James Evans:** Thursday, January 20
- Bishop Lloyd Hoover:** Friday, January 21
- Chadman Martin:** Friday, January 21
- Sandy Lindsey:** Friday, January 21
- Lisa Zimmerman:** Sunday, January 23
- Reign Decembrino:** Wednesday, January 26



### **Invitation to prayer for calling of elders**

The Leadership Team has discerned that a priority in the coming months is to call several new elders to join the Leadership Team. Our first step is inviting the congregation to prayer throughout the month of January.

During the month of February, the Leadership Team will outline a process of nomination and prayerful discernment.

Thank you for joining together in prayer! God is so faithful to lead and guide!



**The 2022 Birthday/Anniversary Calendar** is available on the information table in the lobby. Please help yourself to a copy if you'd like one.



Harold and Jean Wissler have a new email address. It is: [wisslerjh@gmail.com](mailto:wisslerjh@gmail.com)

*thank you!*

*Thank you for the cards, prayers, and words of sympathy since the passing of my mother. We are blessed to be part of the caring family at Groffdale.*

*Glen and Joyce Shenk*

# Stewardship University

*Workshops for everyone  
focused on holistic stewardship*

**Saturday, March 5 | Calvary Church, Lancaster**

On Saturday, March 5, 2022, Everence® Central Penn will host Stewardship University, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community that celebrates 20 years of stewardship this year.

Courses will explore subjects ranging from envisioning a post-COVID19 church, becoming ambassadors of reconciliation, and planning for retirement/Medicare, to equipping Millennials/GenZ for stewardship—and more.

For information or to register, visit [StewardshipUniversity.com](http://StewardshipUniversity.com) or contact Lynette Morales at 717-394-0769 or [lynette.morales@everence.com](mailto:lynette.morales@everence.com)

Please note: you can receive a \$5 discount when registering online.

*Dear Groffdale congregation,*

*Groffdale Leadership and Administrative Teams would like to communicate to the congregation that we are very aware of the serious nature of the local health situation with COVID 19 and the Omicron variant. We also recognize that there are many different feelings and opinions about what is necessary and helpful in keeping ourselves and our community healthy.*

*We want to encourage each of us to continue to be prayerfully vigilant and cautious as we consider our own health and that of those around us. If you are not feeling well, we recommend that you stay home and participate in our worship service via livestream or the phone line. If you know that you have had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID, we also encourage caution. Masks are not required in our building but we certainly recognize that they can be helpful and are recommended indoors by the CDC.*

*As a church family, our continued desire is to care for one another and to protect our broader community.*

Pastor Tom has written a report about his trip to West Afrlca.

Copies are available on the table in the back of the church.



*In Christ,  
Groffdale Leadership and Administrative teams*



This Sunday, we begin a new sermon series entitled

## *Songs for the Journey.*

Over the centuries, the truth of scripture has so often found expression in hymns and songs that have shaped our faith. Each week we will explore a different scriptural hymn or song, learning the story behind it and delving into the scripture that inspired the songwriter.

May we experience the inspiration of the Holy Spirit who puts a song in the hearts of His people.