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"This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people." Jeremiah 31:33

OFFERING

Listed below are the totals for last week's offering and deposits. Thank you for giving so generously!

Program Fund	\$ 125
Missions	\$ 3147
Leadership Support	\$ 310
Church Facilities	\$ 525

Today's offering: Church Facilities

Next Sunday, June 19 offering: Leadership Support

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Brandon Snader: Monday, June 13 Richard Buckwalter: Tuesday, June 14 John Shertzer: Thursday, June 16 Dawn Moore: Saturday, June 18

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Tom & Jen Lambert: Monday, June 13 Robert & Anna Nolt: Tuesday, June 21



Ron Burkhart, son of Roy and Ada Burkhart, was chosen to umpire in the NCAA women's softball world series! The games have been broadcast on ESPN. Congratulations Ron (and Roy and Ada!) on this significant honor!



MORE SUMMER PICNICS AHEAD:

Sunday, June 19, at Groffdale

Celebrate Fathers Day with bacon and burgers provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

4:30pm: Cornhole Tournament outdoors 5:30pm: Dinner in All-Purpose Room

Sunday, August 21, at Groffdale

Enjoy a taco bar and ice cream sundae bar as we celebrate our children and wish them a good school year ahead!

Sunday, September 11, at Ephrata Park

We'll wrap up our summer picnics with a potluck at the park!



A baptism instruction class is being planned for this August. Lisa Zimmerman will be leading a class for children and youth that will begin with a day-long instructional retreat August 23. We will also be forming a class for adults. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Tom.



We look forward to our annual Church Retreat at Woodcrest on the weekend of July 8-10:

Saturday, July 9

4:30pm: Softball game

Everyone is invited to play or watch! 6:00pm: Campfire cookout

A friend of the Wengers from Central Asia will be preparing osh—a special dish!—over the fire. There will be plenty of osh for everyone! (Hot dogs and smores will also be available.)

Sunday, July 10

10:00am: Worship Service at Indian Rock Center Followed by a fellowship meal

Please bring a dish to share and your own place setting.

After lunch: corn hole, swimming and waterslide, and enjoying the camp

We are open to suggestions for more things you would like to include in our Woodcrest weekend. Please email Tom (tome@groffdale.com) with ideas!

Camping at Woodcrest Retreat



If you plan to camp at Woodcrest Retreat on the evenings of July 8 and/or 9, please let Jess know **by June 19** so she can reserve a site! (The cost is \$42/night.) You

may email her at churchoffice@groffdale.com.

Update from Administrative team:

The Administrative team met on Wednesday June 8. Admin Team members include Clete Weaver, Tom Eshleman, Henry Youndt, Charles Bauman and Administrative elder Levi Hoover.

Highlights of our meeting included the following:

- Diane Weaver agreed to serve as recording secretary; we are so grateful!
- Property Team update on contracting for repairs to the all-purpose room roof
- Discussion about presenting opportunity for people to plant memorial trees on church grounds
- Motion approved to proceed with special offerings for Welsh Mountain Home
- Updating building use guidelines

Minutes will be available soon!

Tom and Jennifer Eshleman to Morocco: June 15-24

For some time, Pastor Tom and Jennifer have anticipated visiting Andres and Angelica Prins in Marrakech, Morocco. An ideal window of opportunity recently opened for Tom and Jen to travel together while their three children are away on missions trips. Pray that this time can be a blessing and encouragement for Jen, Tom, Andres and Angelica!

Snaders to Colorado: June 12-24

Brian, Krista, Brandon and Lucinda will be driving to Colorado, camping and visiting relatives along the way. Pray that this vacation would be a wonderful time to deepen family relationships and to appreciate God's creation.

Pastoral coverage plan for June 15-24

During the time when both Tom and Krista will be away, Richard Buckwalter has agreed to serve as the point person for all pastoral concerns. He will work closely with the visitation team, leadership team and others in sharing the ongoing ministry in our congregation. Groffdale is truly blessed with many caring and gifted people!