As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, oh God. - Psalm 42:1

OFFERING

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

Capital Projects Fund	\$ 100
Church Facilities	\$ 3230
Leadership Support	\$ 1609
Missions	\$ 445
Program Fund	\$ 690
Sewing Circle	\$ 50

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Kathy Stoltzfus: Tuesday, July 25 Steve Lindsey: Wednesday, July 27 Ezekiel Gavilondo: Saturday, July 30 Ed Heft: Sunday, July 31 Levi Hoover: Monday, August 1

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Marv & Rhoda Smoker: Wednesday, July 27

Clair & Pat Mast: Sunday, July 31

Clete & Diane Weaver: Monday, August 1

Summer Psalm Series!

Reading and praying the Psalms allows our prayer life to be shaped by the very heart of God. Psalms give us words that God has given us to speak to God. When we pray the Psalms, we join a chorus of prayers offered by God's people through the centuries.

This Sunday we look at Psalm 42 in which the Psalmist feels distant from God and spiritually discouraged. The Psalmist longs for a restored and renewed relationship to God in the same way that a parched deer longs for streams of water. Psalm 42 reminds us yet again that God welcomes and receives our honest and unfiltered cries for help.



Lisa Zimmerman will be leading a baptism instruction 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.

Future Cornhole Tournaments and Summer Picnics!

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 Township Park

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

No Sunday School in August

Sunday School will not be held during the month of August.

The Cafe will open at 9:00 and Sunday School classes are welcome to gather informally in the Cafe or in their Sunday School classrooms for fellowship.

Sunday School will resume on September 11.



Concert at Groffdale Mennonite Church Thursday, July 28 at 7:00pm

All are invited to the evening concert. (Our very own Caeley Zimmerman is a choir member!) What a privilege for us to host this event!





Sunday August 14: Commissioning for Wengers Sunday August 21: Parent-child dedication for Rachel, Yamil and Ezekiel Gavilondo



We are in need of more people to learn how to work Projection for our morning services at Groffdale.

If you are interested in learning what is involved in Projection, you are welcome to come to a training on July 24 or 31 immediately after the morning worship service.

If you have any questions, please contact Diane Weaver.



ReUzit on State Thrift Store in Ephrata is hiring for the following positions:

Retail Floor Supervisor

30 hours per week Maintain the overall appearance of the retail floor including staging and updating displays; work some Friday evenings and Saturdays.

Variety Processor

20-24 hours per week Evaluate variety items for condition and quality, determine price point, display items on retail floor.

Clothing Processor, Clothing Sorter

Up to 29 hours per week Evaluate clothing items for condition and quality and style, determine price point, display items on retail floor.

Minimum age 16. Join an energetic team that is making a difference in our local community and around the world through our support to Mennonite Central Committee.

Contact Peter Hookey, HR Manager at <u>hr@reuzit.org</u> or call 717-733-4934.