

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.

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Welcome! We are glad you are here!

Order of service

Prelude by Rick Umble

Congregational Singing led by Henry Youndt

“Just As I Am” (#516 Blue hymnal)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Steve Lindsey

Offering for Church Facilities

The offertory (Majesty, by Jack Hayford) is played
in thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Jack
Hayford who died January 8 (see Red hymnal #74).

Congregational Singing

“My Savior's Love” (#512 Red hymnal)

Scripture: John 6: 25-40

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman: “Bread from Heaven”

Communion

*This morning we invite you to receive the bread and
cup while remaining seated. After Krista and Tom
lead communion prayers, servers will bring the
bread and cup to you from the side and middle
aisles. You may hold the bread and cup and then we
will all eat together. May God bless and nourish
each of us as we receive this precious gift.*

Congregational Singing

“My Jesus I Love Thee” (#364 Red hymnal)

Benediction

Bring to the Lord in prayer:

- Pray for Rick and Ruthie Umble's fourteen-year-old grandson David who was hospitalized after experiencing a seizure this week. Pray continued recovery and healing for him as they seek to understand why this happened.
- Pray for Minerva Nolt as she recovers from surgery last week.
- Pray for James and Melani as they return to Central Asia.
- Pray for our congregation as we share together in the Lord's Supper this morning.
- Continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.
- Pray for Mennonite World Conference as we anticipate the "One Lunch" offering next Sunday.
- Pray for Andres and Angelica as they serve and build relationships in Morocco.
- Pray for Caeley Zimmerman as she prepares for her mission trip to Jamaica in March with Hinkletown Mennonite School.
- Pray for our young adults: Rebecca Wenger teaching near Harrisburg, Timothy Wenger at Rosedale, Sara Frey at Messiah, Tanner Eshleman in Costa Rica, and Kayley Eshleman studying in Granada, Spain.

Thank you to those serving in our worship service today! Including Ushers Leonard and Mim Martin, and those behind-the-scenes: Projectionist Diane Weaver, Sound Tech Dale Weaver, Live Stream Keith Stoltzfus, Camera Operator Levi Hoover, Back Table Helper Doris Horst, and Nursery Workers Jen Eshleman and Joyce Shenk.

Preaching Schedule:

January 22: Krista Snader

January 29: Brian Snader

February 5: Tom Eshleman

February 12: Austin Horning from YWAM Lancaster

Events this week:

Wednesday: **Morning Prayer Group**, 8:30am

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Marv Smoker: Monday, January 16

Lucinda Snader: Monday, January 16

Jim Evans: Friday, January 20

Bishop Lloyd Hoover: Saturday, January 21

Sandy Lindsey: Saturday, January 21

Chadman Martin: Saturday, January 21

Lisa Zimmerman: Monday, January 23



Thanks to everyone who sent cards to me while I was in Georgia with my family over the holidays.

Norma Rutt

Good-Bye 2022! It sure was an inconvenient year for us. Thank you for the many ways you have supported us in prayers, cards and meals.

Blessings & Love,

Glenn, Helen and Tim Hershey

We very much enjoyed our visit with you. Thanks for your partnership in life-transforming ministry.

Blessings, Lanny Millette from Potter's House

thank
you

Seeking a Church Treasurer

The church treasurer averages 2-3 hours per week in the following areas:

Overall oversight to Groffdale finances; processing monthly payroll; developing the offering schedule for each year; giving oversight to bookkeeper; signing checks; monitoring bank statements; attending bi-monthly administrative team meetings and presenting financial report.

This role is a 3-year term, renewable. If you are interested in learning more, please be in touch with Levi Hoover, Elder of Administration.

Looking ahead:

Sunday, February 5: Congregational meeting

and a chili cookoff/fundraiser meal beforehand.

If you would like to make a large crockpot of chili for the cook-off, please sign on the sheet on the back table.

Sunday, March 12: Game/puzzle night

with a finger food potluck! 4:00-8:00pm

Pastor Tom's trip to Cuba: January 20-27

We invite your prayers for Pastor Tom as he travels with Samuel Lopez and Tuyen Nguyen to attend the CEIS annual conference in Havana, Cuba. These are churches who relate to LMC through the Spanish (Shalom) Council. Tom will bring the message on Monday January 23 at the conference.

While Pastor Tom is away, Krista Snader will be the contact person for all pastoral care needs with the support of the pastoral visitation team.

Invitation to order church periodicals

If you wish to receive periodicals to be placed in your church mailbox, please sign up on the paper on the back table by January 31. If necessary, please also place a check in the church office mailbox.

Missionary Messenger (from Eastern Mennonite Missions) is available at no cost. The *Rejoice* devotional will cost \$40 for a year.

"One Lunch" offering for Mennonite World Conference: January 22

Mennonite World Conference is holding a special offering on Sunday January 22 called "One Lunch" in which we are invited to contribute the cost of a restaurant lunch to Mennonite World Conference.

As part of our offering, we invite you to bring a bag lunch to church as we eat together in the all-purpose room. This will be in addition to our regular Sunday offering on January 22. Thank you to Groffdale for caring so much about the global church!

OFFERING

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

Leadership Support	\$ 3802
Mennonite Life	\$ 100
Missions	\$ 210

Serving Next Sunday, January 22

Prelude: Bob Mohler

Hymns Leader: Glenn Hershey

Worship Leader:

Lisa Zimmerman

Sermon: Krista Snader

Projectionist: Chris Martin

Sound Tech: Brian Snader

Live Stream: Will Baumiller

Camera Operator:

Harold Mohler

Ushers: John and Henrietta

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Offering: Leadership Support

Back Table: Anna Day

Nursery Workers: Dawn Moore
and Ruthie Umble



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