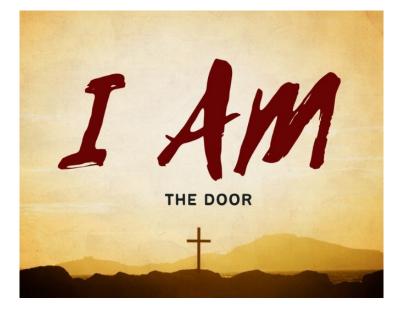
# Groffdale Mennonite Church



## February 26, 2023

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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!

Prelude by Bob Mohler and Rick Umble Congregational Singing led by Mark Wenger "I Love You Lord" (#80 Red hymnal Piano will play one time, then sing twice "Come We that Love the Lord" (#18 Red hymnal) Welcome and Call to Worship by Caeley Zimmerman Offering for Program Fund Children's Time Congregational Singing "All Hail the Power" (#106 Blue hymnal) "My Life Flows On" (#580 Blue hymnal) Scripture: John 10: 1-10 Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman: "I am the door" **Congregational Singing** "He Leadeth Me" (#599 Blue hymnal) Sharing Time and Prayer Benediction

Thank you to those serving in our worship service today! Including Ushers Lenny and Mim Martin, and those behind-the-scenes: Projectionist Chris Martin, Sound Tech Brian Snader, Live Stream Keith Stoltzfus, Camera Operator Harold Mohler, Back Table Helper Mag Nolt, and Nursery Workers Fern Bauman and Dawn Moore.

#### Bring to the Lord in prayer:

- Pray for Andres and Angelica as they return to Morocco.
- Pray for Kathy Weaver Wenger as she undergoes a new series of medical treatments.
- Pray for Miriam Weaver as she anticipates possible aortic valve replacement.
- Pray for Kayley Eshleman as she visits Andres and Angelica this week in Morocco.
- Pray for the many people in our congregation who grieve the passing of spouses in the past two years.
- Continue to pray for the people of Syria and Turkey after recent earthquakes.
- Pray for healing for Faythe Roberts who is experiencing significant stomach pain.

#### Lenten Sermon Series

Last Sunday we began our series on the "I am" statements of Jesus from the Gospel of John. Each of these seven statements is a powerful declaration of Jesus' divinity with a metaphor that reveals aspects of God's character. Every time Jesus said "I am" in the Gospel of John, He is using the same phrasing that God used in Exodus when he told Moses "I am that I am." We invite you to appreciate all that God intends us to know about Jesus as we explore each "I am" during Lent.

#### Lent preaching schedule

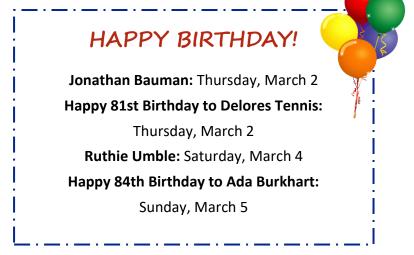
March 5: Lee Zimmerman *"I am the Bread of Life"* March 12: Pastoral Commissioning for Krista Snader March 19: Tom Eshleman March 26: Krista Snader April 2: Dave Moore *"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life"* April 9: Easter Sunday

#### Events this week:

Today, following the Worship Service:

Stories from Belize with the Gavilondos Wednesday at 8:30am: Morning Prayer Group Wednesday at 10:00am: Coffee Break with

#### Tom Eshleman





Many thanks for the cards and words of encouragement which I received from many of you. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Sharon Eberly

#### Commissioning Service for Associate Pastor Krista Snader

Join us Sunday, March 12 for a special commissioning service for our Associate Pastor Krista Snader! Pastor Angela Moyer Walter and Pastor Tom Eshleman will share a message and Bishop Lloyd Hoover will offer a prayer. Linda Myers and Lisa Zimmerman will lead us in worship, and a special children's time will be given by Pastor Krista Snader. A potluck meal will follow.

#### Looking ahead:

Coffee Break: Wednesday, March 1 Tom Eshleman will be sharing pictures and stories from his recent trip to Cuba. 10:00am in the Café

Pastoral Commissioning: Sunday, March 12 Celebrate what God is doing in the life of Krista Snader and in the life of our Groffdale family! A potluck meal will follow.

**Game/puzzle night: Sunday, March 19** with a finger food potluck! 4:00-8:00pm

Everence Financial<sup>®</sup> is accepting applications for college scholarships for the 2023-2024 academic year through the *end of February*. Eligible students may be chosen to receive scholarships of up to \$3,000. Each regional office will award \$1,000 scholarships to local students. Current high school seniors, current college students, and those going to college after a break from academics are welcome to apply. Last year, Kayley Eshleman was an Everence scholarship recipient!

A scholarship application – which includes eligibility details – may be downloaded by visiting www.everence.com/college-scholarships.

Pastor Tom preaching in Camden, NJ on March 5

On March 5, Pastor Tom will be preaching at Iglesia Evangelica Menonita Manantial de Vida (Spring of Life Mennonite Church), an LMC Spanish-speaking church in Camden, New Jersey. Tom came to know Pastors Hugo and Ivania Garcia as they traveled together in Cuba, and they invited him to visit and preach. Thank you for your prayers as Tom and Jennifer worship with this diverse congregation next Sunday.

#### OFFERING

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

Facilities:	\$ 506
Leadership Fund:	\$ 3923
Program Fund:	\$ 406

#### Serving Next Sunday, March 5

Prelude: Joe Jaskolka Hymns Leader: Rick Umble Worship Leader: Dave Moore Sermon: Lee Zimmerman Projectionist: Diane Weaver Sound Tech: Clair Mast Live Stream: Chris Martin Camera Operator: Mim Auker Ushers: Glen and Joyce Shenk Offering: Groffdale Missionaries & EMM, 10% Transition to Community Back Table: Brian Snader Nursery Workers: Anna Day and Ruthie Umble



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