

***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!

Prelude by Rick Umble

Opening Song led by Glenn Hershey

“Awake, my soul” (Blue hymnal #609)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Dave Moore

Offering for Program Fund

Praise Team led by Marlin and Norene Zimmerman

“Come now is the time to worship”

“There is power in the blood”

“Hosanna”

“Our God He is alive”

“What a day that will be”

Scripture: Acts 1: 1-11

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

“Why stand you gazing?”

Closing Song

“Rejoice, the Lord is King!” (Blue hymnal #288)

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction

*Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!
Including Ushers Lee and Lisa Zimmerman, and those
behind-the-scenes: Projectionist Becki Day, Sound Tech
Brian Snader, Live Stream Keith Stoltzfus, Camera Operator
Mag Nolt, Back Table Helper Dawn Moore, and Nursery
Workers Jen Eshleman and Joyce Shenk.*

Bring to the Lord in prayer:

- Pray for Joyce and Glen Shenk, Clarence Martin and their family as they remember and celebrate the life of Jeremiah Martin who passed away from this earthly life this past week.
- Pray for Leadership Team as they meet next Thursday, May 25.
- Pray for Lee Zimmerman as he returns from Thailand.
- Pray for Tanner Eshleman as his Vida220 team concludes their outreach in northern Costa Rica and prepares for the next several months in San Jose leading church youth mission groups.
- Pray for continued healing for Faythe Roberts as she recovers from intestinal surgery.
- Pray for our Groffdale Refugee Welcome Team as they prepare for a family. (The Welcome Team has now all finished their paperwork requirements!)
- Pray healing for four year old Jackson Sensenig who is receiving treatment for cancer. Pray for his parents Joey and Chrissy Sensenig and two older siblings.
- Pray for Andres and Angelica Prins as they minister and build relationships in Morocco.
- Pray for each of us at Groffdale as we pray for our neighbors and community and watch attentively for opportunities to share the love of Christ.
- Pray for Joyce Shenk and her friend Carolyn Hoover as they begin a neighborhood Bible study.

You will find a sheet of updated contact information in your church mailbox. Please add this to your personal copy of the church directory.

Events this week:

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Paul Gehman: TODAY! Sunday, May 21

Happy 87th Birthday to Elma Diem:

Thursday, May 25

Pat Mast: Sunday, May 28

Ben Moore: Sunday, May 28

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Lloyd & Elaine Hoover: TODAY! Sunday, May 21



Groffdale missions contribution to Halle, Germany project

Recently Groffdale received a request to contribute to an important project in Halle, Germany. The Soli Deo congregation is very active in ministering and serving refugees arriving in their city. Their church building where so much of this ministry happens needs a new roof. The Groffdale Administrative Team recently chose to give \$1000.00 from the missions fund toward this roof project. Darrel and Miriam Weaver, EMM workers in Halle express their sincere appreciation to Groffdale on behalf of Soli Deo.

Note for guests and visitors:

We are so glad you are joining us for worship this morning and we hope you come again. We invite you to fill out one of the guest cards found on the back of the church benches and place the completed card in the offering plate.

Upcoming Events:

Groffdale Retreat

July 7-9 at Woodcrest Retreat, Ephrata, PA

A team has been formed who will oversee our camping activities at Woodcrest Retreat. If you would like to camp on Friday and Saturday nights, please sign the sheet on the back table or contact Keith Stoltzfus at knkjs@gmail.com or 717-286-8565. Campsites cost \$30 per night. Checks can be made out to Groffdale Mennonite Church with memo "camping" and placed in Henry Youndt's mailbox. Please place cash payments in an envelope with a note indicating your name and "Woodcrest camping".

Lily Zimmerman is featured in The Shopping News!

The article is on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary. Lily, Groffdale is so happy you share your love of music and singing with those around you!

Update on Refugee Welcome Team

Congratulations to the Welcome Team who completed their orientation and paperwork required by Church World Service! The team is now qualified to be assigned a family as discerned with Church World Service. The Groffdale Welcome Team includes co-leaders Jennifer Eshleman and Lisa Zimmerman, and members Krista Snader, Brian Snader, Joyce Shenk, Marv Smoker, Rachel Gavilondo and Tom Eshleman. There will be many opportunities for people in our congregation beyond the welcome team to be involved. We invite you to be praying about how God may be leading you to be part of this ministry.

OFFERING

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

Leadership Support	\$ 3914
Missions	\$ 3556

Serving Next Sunday, May 28

Prelude: Bob Mohler and
Rick Umble

Camera Operator:
Harold Mohler

Hymns Leader: Mark Wenger

Ushers: Leonard and Mim
Martin

Worship Leader: Ruthie Umble

Sermon: Richard Buckwalter

Back Table: Rachel Gavilondo

Projectionist: Chris Martin

Nursery: Fern Bauman and
Faye Woods

Sound Tech: Dale Weaver

Offering: Leadership Support

Live Stream: Jim Evans



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