

# *Groffdale Mennonite Church*



*September 10, 2023*

## ***Groffdale Mennonite Church***

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 Linda Myers

Opening Song led by Lisa Zimmerman

“Come, We That Love the Lord” (#18 Red Hymnal)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Brian Snader

Offering for Leadership Support

Congregational Singing

“Rock of Ages” (#204 Red Hymnal)

“Grace Greater Than Our Sin” (#201 Red Hymnal)

“I Love You Lord” (#80 Red Hymnal)

Scripture: Romans 15 : 1-13

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

“Accept One Another As Christ Has Accepted You”

Closing Song

Come, Gracious Spirit (#303 Blue Hymnal)

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction

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*Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!  
Including Ushers Glenn and Helen Hershey, and those behind-the-  
scenes: Projectionist Janessa Eshleman, Sound Tech  
Dale Weaver, Live Stream Jim Evans, Camera Operator Dawn  
Moore, Back Table Helper Fern Bauman, and Nursery Workers  
Anna Day and Krista Snader.*

### ***Bring to the Lord in prayer***

Pray for Randy Umble, son of Rick and Ruthie Umble, who received a kidney transplant on Thursday August 31. Pray for restored health for Randy as he makes the many adjustments in receiving this new kidney.

Pray for housing to become available for the Djari/Abdelkarim family.

Pray for Charles Bauman and his daughter Emily as they travel to Switzerland.

Pray for a teammate of James and Melani who was hit by a car and needed to be transported out of the country for emergency medical care. Pray for James and Melani as they provide care, accompaniment and support.

Pray for Chadman Martin as he participates in the upcoming musical production.

Pray for Mark Wenger as he is installed this Sunday evening September 10 as one of the bishops in the Pequea District of LMC. The service will be held at Willow Street Mennonite Church at 7:00 pm.

### ***Pastor Tom traveling to Philippines and Indonesia in October***

We invite your prayers for Pastor Tom as he prepares to travel to the Philippines and Indonesia from October 9-21. Tom will be traveling with Glenn Kauffman to visit churches in Manila, Philippines and then to Jakarta and Medan, Indonesia for the gathering of the international Missions Association. These travels are through Tom's Global Delegate role with LMC.

**Morning Prayer Group** meets every Wednesday at 8:30 AM in the Conference Room. Everyone is invited to join this group for a meaningful time of prayer and fellowship.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**Krista Snader:** Wednesday, September 13

**Diane Weaver:** Thursday, September 14

**Donald Beck:** Sunday, September 17

**Mark Wenger:** Tuesday, September 19



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

**Charles and Fern Bauman:** Tuesday, September 12

**Lee and Lisa Zimmerman:** Friday, September 15

**Tim and Linda Herr:** Friday, September 15

**Glen and Joyce Shenk:** Sunday, September 17

***Chadman Martin performing with Servant Stage!!***

Let's support Chadman Martin as he performs with Servant Stage in the upcoming production called "Big Fish". Performances are on Friday's, Saturday's and Sunday's September 8-24. Friday's productions begin at 7:00 PM, Saturday's at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM and Sunday's at 2:00 PM at Warwick High School. Reserve tickets at [servantstage.org](http://servantstage.org) or call 717-455-0255. You will do great Chadman!!!

***Job Opening at Groffdale Mennonite Church***

We are looking for an Administrative Assistant. This is a part-time position. Please share with your friends and family about this opportunity. Contact Levi Hoover ([lhoov@frontier.com](mailto:lhoov@frontier.com)), Elder of Administration, for more information.

**Save the Date: Tree Planting Task Force—Saturday, October 28**

The Tree Planting Task Force is excited to announce we have a date for planting trees at Groffdale with help from Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. Mark your calendars for Saturday October 28 at 10:00 AM to come and help plant over 300 trees! Even if you don't want to dig a hole, there will be plenty of other ways to help!

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Come cheer on Jeshua Day and Brandon Snader as their school soccer teams play against each other on Wednesday September 13 at 4pm at Garden Spot and on Tuesday October 3 at 4pm at Ephrata.

**MCC School Kits**

MCC is collecting school kits. Please feel free to pick up one or more bags from the foyer and fill them with the following items:

- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8-1/2 x 10 1/2" and 70 pages)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality, indicating 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser
- 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

**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.*

## OFFERING

Listed below are the totals for last week's offering and deposits.

Thanks for giving so generously!

Missions (and Leola	
Homes of Hope	\$3,548.
Leadership Support	\$ 100
Refugee Fund	\$2,000

*Serving Next Sunday, September 17*

Prelude: Bob Mohler and Rick Umble

Hymns Leader: Mark Wenger

Worship Leader:

Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman

Projectionist : Becki Day

Sound Tech: Dale Weaver

Livestream: Keith Stoltzfus

Camera Operator: Harold Mohler

Ushers: Leonard and Mim Martin

Back Table Helper: Mag Nolt

Nursery Workers: Jen Eshleman  
and Joyce Shenk

Offering: Program Fund



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