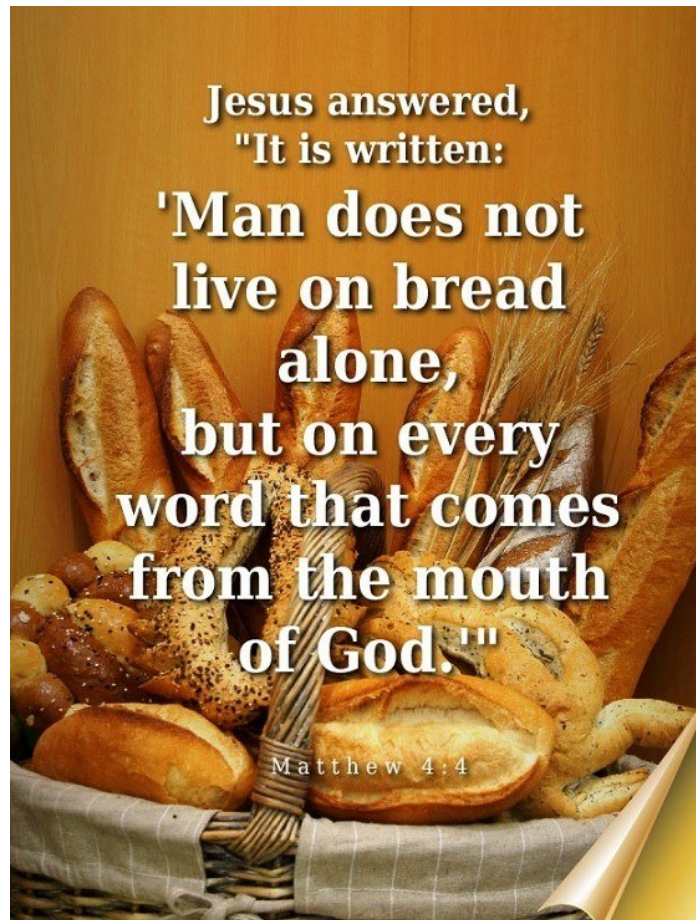


# *Groffdale Mennonite*



*February 18, 2024*

## ***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 Bob Mohler and Rick Umble

Opening Song led by Glenn Hershey

“Dare to Be a Daniel”

Welcome and Call to Worship by Pastor Krista Snader

Offering for Leadership Support

Children’s Time led by Pastor Krista Snader

Congregational Singing

“I’ll Praise My Maker” (Blue hymnal #166)

“Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (Blue Hymnal #582)

“In the Rifted Rock I’m Resting” (Blue Hymnal #526)

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

“Jesus Our Overcomer!”

Closing Song

“What Wondrous Love Is This” (Red Hymnal #177)

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction

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*Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!  
Including Ushers Charles and Fern Bauman, and those  
behind-the-scenes: Projectionist Becki Day, Sound Tech  
Dale Weaver, Live Stream Operator Keith Stoltzfus,  
Camera Operator Harold Mohler, Nursery Workers  
Joyce Shenk and Jen Eshleman.*

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

- Pray for Richard and Deborah Buckwalter as they grieve the passing of Deborah's brother Joseph Shenk. Richard will be leading (led) the funeral service on Saturday February 17.
- Pray for Lee Zimmerman as he preaches this Sunday at Goodville Mennonite Church.
- Pray for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and other areas of turmoil around the world.
- Pray for the Djari/Abdelkerim as they continue to seek employment.
- Pray continued healing and restored health for Angelica Prins after receiving a pacemaker last week.
- Pray for a friend of James and Melani who suffered a serious accident and is receiving treatment.
- Pray for Leadership Team as they meet this Tuesday at 1:00 pm.
- Pray for our first Wednesday Cafe scheduled for this Wednesday at 10:00am

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### **PINEWOOD DERBY CONTINUES!**

This is an invitation to all 8-14 year olds to join us on **February 28 at 7pm** to finish building, designing and decorating Pinewood Derby cars. The final race will be on **March 6 at 7pm.**

**Because adults can create too,** we are providing all adults the opportunity to make Pinewood Derby cars as well! Design, cut, sand, paint and race your own Pinewood Derby car! No experience necessary. Enjoy a devotional led by Pastor Tom, and time to create and fellowship with others! Invite friends and neighbors!

**When: Wednesday Feb 28 from 10am-12noon and/or Thursday February 29 from 6pm-8pm.**

**Race Day: Sunday March 17 after our worship service.**

Bring a packed lunch and the race will begin after lunch. Cars made by the youth will also join this tournament bracket. Prizes will be given for the fastest car, the most unique car and for the best of show! Spectators are welcome! The racetrack is being hand-made by Clete Weaver and Dale Weaver. Please sign up on the paper at the back table. See Brian Snader if you have questions.

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



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**Earl Myers:** Saturday, February 24  
**Ruthie Youndt:** Saturday, February 24  
**Ruth (Mrs. John) Zimmerman :** Sunday, February 25

**WEDNESDAY CAFÉ TIME**

February 21, 2024 at 10:00am

An informal time of fellowship, playing games, followed by lunch. Bring a snack/finger food to share and if you like—a favorite game.

Sandwiches, beverages, and place settings will be provided. Everybody is welcome!

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We invite you to begin preparing to receive the Lord's Supper (communion) next Sunday February 25.

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Today is the last day to put cards in the basket on the back table for Andres and Angelica Prins. The cards will be hand delivered by a person traveling to see them. Blank cards are available to write on.

## DID YOU KNOW??

Congratulations to Caeley Zimmerman for joining the district-level orchestra festival last weekend and for successfully making it to the regional level. The festival in March will include the top high school musicians from 15 counties in southeastern PA and a chance to go on to All-State.

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Elvin and Lois Martin have a new email address:

[loismartin444@outlook.com](mailto:loismartin444@outlook.com)

Ray and Verna Martin Boll address:

2198 W. Main St.

Ephrata, PA 17522

Verna cell number: 717-413-5016

Ray cell number: 717-342-3663

Email address: L4647@hotmail.com

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Come watch Lily Zimmerman as Hinkletown Mennonite School, Middle School Performing Arts presents "**Robin Hood**" on Friday March 1 with a dinner theater at 5:30pm and Saturday March 2 at 2pm and 7pm. Reservations are recommended.

Come watch Lucinda Snader as Ephrata Middle School's 528 Theatre presents "**Into the Woods Jr**" on Friday March 15 at 7pm and Saturday March 16 at 7pm. Tickets are available at the door.

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Fairmount Homes has an opening for a Director of Stewardship. This is a full-time, salaried position that is responsible for communicating the vision and mission of Fairmount Homes to their supporters and developing a strong financial base for the facility. See more details on their website- [fairmounthomes.org](http://fairmounthomes.org)

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The new directory binders are on the back table.

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### **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 basket.*

## OFFERING

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

Church Facilities	\$4,700.35
Missions	\$ 470.00

*Serving Next Sunday, February 25*

Prelude: Lily Zimmerman  
Hymns Leader: Mark Wenger  
Worship Leader: Lee Zimmerman  
Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman  
Projectionist : Chris Martin

Sound Tech: Brian Snader  
Livestream Operator: Levi Hoover  
Camera Operator: Lucinda Snader  
Ushers: Leonard and Mim Martin  
Offering: Program Fund  
Nursery: Mag Nolt



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**Treasurer:** Mark Wenger, [pastormarkwenger@gmail.com](mailto:pastormarkwenger@gmail.com)

**Bookkeeper:** Pat Mast, [finance@groffdale.com](mailto:finance@groffdale.com)

**Administrative Assistant:** Diane Weaver, [churchoffice@groffdale.com](mailto:churchoffice@groffdale.com)

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