

## Welcome! We are glad you are here today!

**Our Vision:** A growing community of disciples of Jesus, expressing Christ's redeeming love and reconciliation.

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Prelude by Caeley and Elyse Zimmerman Opening Song led by Lisa Zimmerman "O Worship the Lord" (Blue Hymnal #124) Welcome and Call to Worship by Pastor Krista Snader Offering for Leadership Support Children and Youth Time Worship songs led by Lisa, Caeley and Lily Scripture: Daniel 2: 17-28 Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman "God Reveals Deep and Mysterious Things" Closing Song "Doxology" (Red Hymnal #625) Sharing Time and Prayer Benediction



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TODAY: Doug Hoover: Sunday, May 11 Norene Zimmerman: Thursday, May 15 Darla Berg: Sunday, May 18 HAPPY 84th BIRTHDAY TO THELMA EBERLY (Mrs.): Sunday, May 18 Keith Stoltzfus: Monday, May 19 Adriel Gavilondo: Tuesday, May 20

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

James and Melani Wenger: Wednesday, May 14



As a way to share worship music between the generations, the Groffdale youth invite you to listen to the song "My Promise Land" by Josiah Queen.

Copies of the Everence Toolkit Issue 1 for 2025 are on the front and back tables.

#### Bring to the Lord in prayer:

Pray for Robert Nolt as he continues in the rehabilitation unit at Fairmount.

Pray for Fred Reeser as he recovers from a recent illness.

Pray for Janet Eberly as she recovers from cataract surgery on May 9.

Pray for Tom and Jennifer Eshleman as they prepare to travel to Mennonite World Conference in Germany -May 22-June 6.

Pray for our congregation as we seek God's leading in calling an Elder of Administration. Give thanks to God for the many years that Levi Hoover has served us in that position.

Pray for areas of the world where there is turmoil and violence; India, Pakistan, Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, Sudan and Ethiopia/Eritrea. Let us pray for the peace of Christ.

Pray for Andres Prins as he prepares to give the commencement address at Lancaster Mennonite School on May 28.

Pray for James and Melani as they move their belongings from Tashkent to Fergana.

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#### Groffdale District Bishop Search Team Update

We are committed to keeping you as a congregation updated on the district bishop discernment process as we receive information. We understand that the discernment team has met several times and will be meeting with candidates in May and June. Last week Bishop Lloyd Hoover announced in a letter to district leaders that LMC leadership along with the search team have released and blessed him to follow through with his originally intended date of retirement on May 21, 2025. This means there will be a period of possibly several months when no one will be serving as Groffdale District bishop. LMC Bishop Elder Rodney Martin has committed to being available for any urgent needs that arise. We invite you to keep this discernment process in your prayers and let us pray God's blessings for Lloyd and Elaine in this next season of life.

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#### Elder of Administration

Levi Hoover will finish his term as Elder of Administration on Leadership Team in June 2025. Levi has chosen not to renew his term and the Leadership Team is beginning the process of calling a new Elder of Administration. This new elder will serve on the Leadership Team as well as Chair of the Administration Team. We invite your prayers for God's guidance of the calling of this new elder. We will be receiving nominations until next Sunday, May 18. There are nomination forms on the back table and you can email nominations to either Pastor Tom or Pastor Krista. We praise God for the many years Levi served with wisdom in this role. **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.

## This coming Friday evening—May 16 Monthly Fellowship Event "Tailgating Party"

Beginning at 6pm, enjoy some smash burgers, hot dogs and homemade ice cream! You are invited to bring a side salad or dessert to share, served off of a tailgate. Weather permitting, we will eat outside so bring along a chair. Anyone is welcome to park your truck to add to the tailgating party decor. Activities include a trivia game and lawn games (including cornhole!). A Vintage 1990 Ford Ranger will be on display.

#### *Friday, July 11—Sunday, July 13* Woodcrest Camping Weekend

# Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!

Ushers: Glenn Hershey and Charles Bauman Projectionist: Diane Weaver Sound Tech: Brian Snader Live Stream: Jim Evans Camera Operator : Dawn Moore

### Serving next Sunday, May 18

Prelude: Rick Umble and Bob Mohler Hymns Leader: Glenn Hershey Worship Leader: Pastor Tom Eshleman Sermon: Pastor Krista Snader Sound: Dale Weaver

Projectionist: Becki Day Livestream: Keith Stoltzfus Camera: Harold Mohler Offering: Program Fund Ushers: Leonard and Mim Martin

OFFERING			
Listed below are the totals for last week's offerings and deposits. Thank you for your giving!			
Missions Program Fund Leadership Support Mennonite Disaster Service Church Facilities	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	3,727.50 682.50 262.50 200.00 62.50	

There is rhubarb available to harvest on the other side of the 170 house. Feel free to help yourself!



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.

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