



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 Bob Mohler and Rick Umble

Opening Song led by Glenn Hershey

 "Down At The Cross" (Red Hymnal #527)

Welcome and Call to Worship by Pastor Krista Snader

Offering for Leadership Support

Affirmation Ballot for Minister of Discipleship
 and Outreach position for Lisa Zimmerman

Worship songs led by Glenn

 "What A Wonderful Savior" (Red Hymnal #81)

 "There is A Fountain" (Red Hymnal #196)

Blessing the Gavilondo family for their service trip
 to Hawaii

Scripture Reading: I Peter 2: 1-12

Sermon by Pastor Tom Eshleman

 "A People Who Belong to God"

Celebration of Communion

Closing Song

 "Nothing But the Blood" (Red Hymnal #195)

Benediction



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Marie Hoover: Monday, February 16

Jeffrey Martin (Anne): Monday, February 16

Sharon Nolt: Monday, February 16

Brenda Weaver: Monday, February 16

Earl Myers: Tuesday, February 24

Ruthie Youndt: Tuesday, February 24

Anticipating Lent

This year, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday February 18. Our congregational Lenten theme this year is “Turn toward God” from Acts 3:19, “*Repent, then, and **turn to God**, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.*” During Lent, we often think about those things we want to turn away from. This is a very important part of repentance. But even more important is who we turn toward. We are called to turn toward Jesus who brings abundant life and times of refreshing. During Lent this year, we invite you to think and pray about a practice, a hobby, an activity, a discipline that you could add to your life as a tangible way of turning toward God. Perhaps it is something that was life-giving for you in the past that you want to resume. It may be something you’ve never done before. We invite you to choose something that can bring you renewal as you turn toward God through that activity. It can be something very simple or it can be something that feels much more significant. Our Lenten theme connects to our 2026 theme of “Be Strong and Courageous.” As we turn away from fear and anxiety, we turn toward Jesus who brings us courage and strength.

Bring to the Lord in prayer:

Pray for the family of Mae Shreiner as they grieve her passing and celebrate her life.

Pray for the Gavilondo family as they prepare to serve in Kona, Hawaii, departing this Thursday February 19.

Pray for our congregation as we celebrate the Lord's Supper today.

Pray for Pastor Krista as she and our congregation prepare for her ordination next Sunday.

Pray for Lance Watt as he recovers from a recent stay in the hospital. He is currently in rehab at Brethren Village.

Pray for continued healing and recovery for Mag Nolt.

Pray for peace in our nation.

Thank you to everybody for the cards, texts, and words of comfort since the passing of Mae. It is a reminder of how blessed we are to be a part of a caring congregation.

Clete and Diane Weaver



SAVE THE DATES!

Ordination service next Sunday for Pastor Krista Snader

Next Sunday February 22, we look forward to celebrating the faithfulness of God as Pastor Krista Snader is ordained for pastoral ministry. Ordination is a confirmation and reaffirmation of God's call on Krista's life to serve God and the church with her pastoral gifts. LMC Executive Bishop Marcia Mylin will be preaching the ordination sermon. Bishop Keith Nyce will officiate Krista's ordination and Bishop Ryan Bomgardner will offer a prayer of blessing. Let us pray that next Sunday is a time of real encouragement and blessing for Pastor Krista, Brian, Brandon and Lucinda as well as for our congregation.

Everyone is invited to a potluck meal after church to celebrate this important event in our church life. Since family and friends of Pastor Krista will be attending the service, we are asking those who are able to bring a **large hot or cold dish** to share.

Friday, March 20—Groffdale Day of Prayer

Sunday March 22 -after the morning worship service we will host a **Chili Cook-off** and a **Pinewood Derby Race!** Everyone is invited to come to this time of fellowship and cheering on the racers! More details to follow.

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.



As a way to share worship music between the generations, the Groffdale youth invite you to listen to the song "I Speak Jesus" by Charity Gayle.

Thank you to those serving in our worship service today!

Ushers: Elvin and Lois Martin

Projectionist: Diane Weaver

Sound Tech: Dale Weaver

Live Stream: Keith Stoltzfus

Camera Operator: Harold Mohler

Serving next Sunday, February 22

Prelude: Caeley Zimmerman

Hymns Leader: Mark Wenger

Worship Leader: Pastor Tom

Eshleman

Sermon: Marcia Mylin

Sound: Jeff Martin

Projectionist : Chris Martin

Livestream: Levi Hoover

Ushers: Charles and Fern Bauman

Offering: Program Fund

OFFERING

Listed below are the totals for last week's offerings and deposits. Thank you for your giving!

Church Facilities	\$ 3,962.00
Missions	\$ 895.00
Leadership Support	\$ 275.00
Renovation Fund	\$ 200.00



WELCOME 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.

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