



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 Joe Jaskolka

Opening Song led by Brian Snader

Welcome and Call to Worship by Lisa Zimmerman

Offering for Groffdale Missionaries and EMM

20% Landis Homes Benevolent Fund

Children's Time led by Pastor Krista Snader

Worship Songs

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-21

Sermon by Mark Wenger

"Children of Light and Wisdom"

Closing Song

Sharing Time and Prayer

Benediction



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Doris Horst: Monday, May 4

Elyse Zimmerman: Monday, May 4

Rachel Gavilondo: Tuesday, May 5

HAPPY 82nd BIRTHDAY TO ELAINE ZUCK: Tuesday, May 5

Marlin Zimmerman: Thursday, May 7

Deborah Buckwalter: Saturday, May 9

Roy Reiff: Saturday, May 9

Doug Hoover: Monday, May 11

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Michael and Darla Berg: Sunday, May 3

Lester and Alice Reiff: Wednesday, May 6

Tithe on our Renovation Fund

The Leadership and Administration Support Teams believe that being faithful stewards invites us to share a tithe of the estimated cost (\$62,000) of the current renovation project at Groffdale Church. We, therefore, are inviting the congregation to contribute to a fund for Shalom Council (a district of LMC) to support their ministry in the New Holland and Columbia, Pennsylvania congregations. We will receive contributions for this fund through June 28, 2026. By your generosity we hope to share \$6,200 or more with our sister congregations of Shalom Council.

Bring to the Lord in prayer:

Pray for Mark Wenger as he prepares the sermon message for Sunday May 3 (today).

Pray for God's Spirit to call the next Elder to serve on Leadership Team.

Pray for Pastor Tom and Jennifer as they return home from their travels in Uganda and Kenya (returning on May 2), connecting with Mennonite church leaders as part of Pastor Tom's role as LMC Global Delegate.

Pray for Lee and Caeley Zimmerman as they travel to Ethiopia and India for Lee's work with Global Disciples.

Give thanks to God for the successful medical procedures for Marsha McCulley (daughter of Mark and Linda) and Alice Reiff.

Pray for peace in the Middle East and other areas of turmoil in our world.

Pray for Hawa's family (Sudanese refugees) whose SNAP benefits have recently been terminated.

A special **"Thank You"** to everyone for your prayers, love, meals and cards as I went through this "heart" journey. **Jean Wissler**

LMC's Assembly 2026 will be held at Millersville University from June 18-21. This is a wonderful opportunity to fellowship and worship with our brothers and sisters across LMC. You can register at [Assembly 2026 Registration - LMC – a fellowship of Anabaptist churches](#) The deadline to register for the lower rate is May 15. After that, the cost will increase.

Groffdale Leadership Team is asking you to prayerfully consider who to **nominate to serve as Elder on Leadership Team.** Miriam Auker is completing her term as Elder in June 2026. You can return the forms or email your nomination to Pastor Tom or Pastor Krista. We will receive nominations through May 17. Thank you for praying for the calling of a new Elder.

Mark and Kathy Weaver Wenger participate in the "Sing for the Moment Choir". The choir is scheduled to perform on Sunday, May 17 at 2pm in the West Bethany Chapel at Landis Homes. All are invited to attend. See more information posted on the bulletin board in back of the church.

Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services is in need of the following items for their food bank. You may place the items in the box under the table in back of the church. ***Thank you for your generosity!***

- Canned mandarin oranges
- Taco kits
- Canned and instant potatoes
- Regular sized boxes of cereal
- Baked beans

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.

Sewing Circle will meet on Tuesday, May 5 at 9:00am. Sandwiches will be provided for lunch; bring a finger food to share. They welcome any new members that would like to join them!



As a way to share worship music between the generations, the Groffdale youth invite you to listen to the song "War" by Caleb Gordon.

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

Ushers: Glen and Joyce Shenk
Projectionist: Diane Weaver
Sound Tech: Jeff Martin
Live Stream: Chris Martin
Camera Operator: Mim Auker

Serving next Sunday, May 10

Prelude: Linda Myers
Hymns Leader: Lisa Zimmerman
Worship Leader: Dave Moore
Sermon: Pastor Tom Eshleman
Sound: Dale Weaver

Projectionist: Diane Weaver
Livestream: Jim Evans
Camera Operator: Dawn Moore
Ushers: Glenn Hershey and
Charles Bauman
Offering: Leadership Support

OFFERING

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

Leadership Support	\$ 6,210.00
Missions	\$ 2,315.00
Church Facilities	\$ 1,100.00
Program Fund	\$ 905.00
Sewing Circle	\$ 155.00



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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