

# Welcome To Locust Grove

January 22, 2017

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## 9:00 & 10:30 Morning Worship Service

Prelude: Kristyn Byler  
Worship Leader: Ivan Yoder  
Worship Team Leader: Sherryl Yoder  
Sermon: Keith Bitikofer, Wycliffe Bible Translator

## 9:00 & 10:30 Sunday School Hour

**\*Group Prayer:** During 2<sup>nd</sup> service in the prayer room for the lost, the prodigals, and the unreached in our neighborhoods and around the world. All are welcome.

## Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds-

**9:00** – Rachel Suloff, Susie Peachey, Nancy Peachey

**10:30** – Juanita and Kristin Byler

\*Next Week: 9:00- Jeff & Carrie Zook

10:30- Trevor & Lauren Weaver, Sophia Yoder

## Prayer List:

At Home: Rick, Louise, Isaac, & AJ Byler  
Jay & Nancy Yoder

At Valley View: Mabel Stayrook. A213 Valley View Terrace

Away: Joseph Zook & Meredith Lorencz  
565 Broad St., Apt.2, Emmaus, PA 18049

**Mission Spot:** Every fourth Sunday of the month one or two ladies from Locust Grove provide a Bible study for female inmates at the Mifflin County Correctional Institution in Lewistown. We sing, have a Bible lesson, collect prayer requests and pray with the ladies. Those who attend are usually very cooperative and grateful for the time we spend with them. Ladies who are involved in this ministry at this time are Gin Renno, Diane Snook, Twila Yoder, Emily Yoder and Jean Byler. If you would be interested in becoming involved, contact one of these ladies.

**Reaching Out:** Max is preaching at Boyer. Charlie Stump preaching at Mt. Union Presbyterian Church. Mayard Beitzel at Manbeck. Diane Snook will be conducting a Bible study for the ladies at the Mifflin County Prison this afternoon at 1:30.

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January 15, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance .....210  
S.S. Attendance .....396  
10:30 Worship Attendance ..... 181  
Jr. S.S. Offering.....\$11.00  
Adult S.S. Offering.....\$2.00  
Morning Worship Offering .....\$9,534.00

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## Week 3

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$33,495

YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$31,474

YTD Income - \$46,057

YTD Expenses - \$38,870

## This Week's Events:

Tuesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Kid's Club Begins (Grades K-5)

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. – Annual Congregational Business Meeting with the 2017 church budget and a revised church constitution

Friday, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. – Prayer group for children

## Upcoming Events:

February and March – Elective Adult Sunday school classes

March 10-12 – MYF Winter Retreat

March 19<sup>th</sup> – Historical Society Hymn Sing

**Group: January 29th.** Meet at the church at **6 pm** for bible study. Girls bring a snack, guys bring a drink.

**MYF: Wed. January 25th.** Meet at the church at **7:15** for bible study. Girls bring a snack, guys bring a drink.

**Young Adults:** Meet at Ivan and Pam's Sunday, **January 29th** for lunch and discussion.

**Young Moms bible study:** Meet Tuesday in the nursery at **10am** for bible study. We will be discussing chapter **2 of Ruth**. Bring a snack to share.

**MYF** will again be selling **whole hog pork sausage** to be delivered the **25th of February**. Please contact a member of the youth group if you are interested in placing an order.

Ladies, if you enjoy any type of **needle crafting** such as knitting, crocheting, needle point cross stitch, join us weekly at **Locust Grove**, every Thursday at 2 p.m. led by Pat Yoder. This is open to all ladies in the community all ages and skill set. Any questions, contact Pam.

**Electives:** Sign-up sheets for electives are in the foyer. Please sign up today so we can order books and plan for class locations.

**Orpha Zook's New Address:** room 317, Valley View Terrace, 4702 East Main Street, Belleville, Pa, 17004. 717-935-3790

**Annual Business Meeting:** The Annual Business meeting will be held Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. During this meeting we will be approving the new budget and also a revised constitution for our church. Both of these items are in the agenda for the meeting with the annual reports that are in your mailboxes today. The proposed constitution is a much shorter revision with most job descriptions moved into a separate document which can be revised frequently by the leadership team.

January 27<sup>th</sup> is **Julie Stauffer's birthday**. Let's shower her with cards as she adjusts to her new location. Glenn and Julie Stauffer, 4149 Bass Lake Loop, Rhinelander, WI 54501.

**We would like to thank our church family** for all the support we have received. The willingness of people to come help with children, provide meals, or just providing prayer is overwhelming. This church sets a great example of serving others. Once again, thank you. Kevin & Caitlin Myers

**Backyard Ministries Bakers:** Please deliver your bread to the Locust Grove kitchen by Monday, Jan. 23. If you have not signed up yet and would like to help, we are still in need of more bakers. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall.

**Huntingdon and Mifflin County Farm Bureau's Celebrate Farmer's Care Day.** Members of the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau will be presenting a donation of canned goods and other needed items, to the Ronald McDonald House in Hershey, PA, on February 9<sup>th</sup>. This year Huntingdon and Mifflin County Farm Bureau's, are collecting nonperishable items, for the Ronald McDonald House. Ronald McDonald House provides a place for local families to stay while a family member receives serious medical treatment, at Hershey Medical Center. Items can be donated Sunday 1/29 or 2/4. Donation containers will be located in the lobby. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



**Does someone you love drink too much?** Overcomer's outreach uses the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous and the Holy Bible to discover the wisdom of God and apply his teachings to our daily lives. We claim Jesus as our "higher power" and share our trials and victories with one another in a confident and secure environment. We meet weekly in loving support of one another, not a substitute for, but rather a supplement to other 12 step groups. We are non-professional and non-profit, and we welcome anyone who is not opposed to our general method of recover, whatever his or her presenting problem. For more information, visit [www.overcomersoutreach.org](http://www.overcomersoutreach.org) or please contact Sue Fagan (899-7842) or Karen Goss (994-2007).

**Ye Old Dog House is currently hiring** for the upcoming season, which will run April 1-Sept 30. Shifts are 11-4 and 4-9 (4-8 after Labor Day). However, persons interested must be available to work 11-4 during the week beginning April 1 approx 4 shifts/week. If interested, please contact Whitney at 717-348-3518, Matt at 717-437-5198, or email [wreed416@ymail.com](mailto:wreed416@ymail.com). Thanks.

An **all-you-can-eat spaghetti meal** will be served in the fellowship hall on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 2<sup>nd</sup> service, to help raise funds for a local team that will be working in Romania this March. Please come and enjoy a great meal for a good cause! A sign-up sheet will be posted outside the fellowship hall for food donations – please see how you can help!

**Apply now for an educational scholarship.** Everence wants to help people nurture their talents. If you or your parents are Everence member and you will attend an accredited undergraduate or trade program for 2017-2018 academic year, apply for an Everence College Scholarship. Deadline is Feb. 28. Learn more at [everence.com/college-scholarships](http://everence.com/college-scholarships).

St. John's Christian Daycare and Preschool in Belleville will be holding a **Spaghetti Dinner** on Friday, February 24, from 4-7 in the church fellowship hall. This dinner will benefit the daycare with monies going to operational funds and special projects. Monetary donations will be accepted at the door for this all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner. Take out will be available. Dinner includes spaghetti, salad, bread, and dessert. Come and enjoy!

### ***Prayer Guide for January 22 – January 28***

**22 Sunday** – *You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.* Gen. 50:19

**23 Monday** – Read Genesis 38, 39. Pray for people in our church family and community who have been dealing with cancer: **Sadie Byler, Ramona Byler, Jim Marthouse, and Reed Henderson.**

**24 Tuesday** – Read Genesis 40, 41. Pray for the **volunteers and leaders of the Kid’s Club** tonight from 6:30 – 8 in the fellowship hall. Pray for **students** as they learn about how the apostles were persecuted in Acts and how Christians are being persecuted in many places of our world today.

**25 Wednesday** – Read Genesis 42 Pray for **Angie Knable** as she serves as our church treasurer this year, replacing Leon Miller. Pray for **Kara Kauffman** in her role as our church secretary and assistant treasurer and for **Emily Altamuro** in her work as our assistant secretary.

**26 Thursday** – Read Genesis 43, 44. Pray for our **church leaders and members** meeting this evening for our annual business meeting to discuss a new constitution and a budget for 2017. Pray for God to guide our leadership, finance, directors, and mission team members in their vision and work for the Lord this year.

**27 Friday** – Read Genesis 45, 46. Pray for **Glen & Julie Stauffer** and their family as they adjust to life in Wisconsin. Pray for Julie today on her birthday! Pray for **Orpha Zook** as she adjust to being in room 317 at Valley View Terrace.

**28 Saturday** – Read Genesis 47, 48. Pray for **Max** as he prepares a message for tomorrow and pray for **Simon Foote** as he prepares to lead our worship time.

We are disciples of Jesus Christ, encouraging all people to become His fully devoted followers. Church web site: [www.locustgrovemc.org](http://www.locustgrovemc.org)

### **Elective Adult Classes for February & March**

Following is a list of classes that will be offered for adults. More extensive descriptions are on the table in the foyer and online at

<http://locustgrovemc.org/ministries/2017-electives>.

**Please sign up today.**

#### **First Session Classes**

Prepare: Living Your Faith in an Increasingly Hostile Culture

- Bob & Joann Peachey

Apologetics and the Art of Persuasion - Christian Yoder

Passion Pursuit (for married women) – Juanita Byler

The Jesus Life – What does it look like to follow Jesus? – Brenda Zook

Man in the Mirror (for men of all ages) – Scott Spotts

Love & Respect (for couples) – Cheston & Jen Hartzler

What’s it Like to be Married to Me? (for women) – Michelle Snook

Finding Your Calling for the Third Third of Your Life – Gerald & Pat

Memorial Stones for the Next Generation (for parent couples and single

moms) – Quil & Ann Kanagy

#### **Second Session Classes**

Prepare: Living Your Faith in an Increasingly Hostile Culture

- Quil Kanagy

New Testament Postcards – John Baker

Appreciating the Hymns – Leon Miller

Denominations and Divisions Within Our Faith – Randy Yoder

Practical Study of Joseph – Lyle Yoder

Fathered By God (John Eldridge book) – TBA

When Homosexuality Hits Home (Joe Dallas book) – Tom Clark

(class will meet in a home at another location for confidentiality)



## Children's Ministry Notes

**Kids**, we love having you here at Locust Grove! If you are visiting for the first time, we hope you will join us for Sunday School!

If you would like to join the **Children's Prayer Team**, please talk to Miss Rena. They meet once a month in the prayer room during the first service at 9:00 AM and usually finish by 9:30 AM.

Remember kids, if you complete the coloring page and/or activity page and bring it to my office after the 2<sup>nd</sup> service, you can choose something from the **sand bucket**.

Please remember to bring me your voucher once you have recited your **memory verse** for your teacher so you can choose a prize from the basket I have for you.

The next **The Greatest Journey** offering will be January 29<sup>th</sup>. These monies go to buy materials for kids who are learning about Jesus after receiving an Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box.

### **Coming up:**

**KIDS' Club** - Paul's Adventure to Rome! Starting Jan 24, 6:30-8:00 PM for grades K - 5. Registration forms in the foyer or register online at [locustgrovemc.org/ministries/children](http://locustgrovemc.org/ministries/children).

**DC4K** - starting Monday Jan 23, 2017; 5:30 - 7:00 PM at the Lumina Center.