

Welcome To Locust Grove

April 23, 2017

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9:00 & 10:30 Morning Worship Service

Prelude: Meagan Byler
Worship Leader: Max Zook
Worship Team Leader: Alan Miller
Sermon: Who Are You Looking For? John 20:15
Ivan Yoder

9:00 & 10:30 Sunday School Hour

11:15: Children's Breakout session (Pre-K-Grade 2) in the MYF Room.

Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds-

9:00 – Curt & Amanda Yoder
10:30 – Matt & Whitney Reed, Ashley Thompson
*Next Week: 9:00- Kara Yoder and Katie Peachey
10:30- Sharon and Allison Besch

Prayer List:

At Home: J.B., Heather, Madeline, & Olivia Eby
Darwin & Pat Yoder

At Valley View: John & Cora Byler
John-A202 Valley View Terrace
Cora-506A Valley View Haven

Away: Glenn, Julie, Melanie, Erica, Merlin, & Leona Stauffer
4149 Bass Lake Loop, Rhineland, WI 54501

Mission Spot: Wycliffe in Orlando Florida: Keith, Christina, Luke, and Nicole Bitikofer. Pray for Keith as he leads strategic technology projects and a technical support team, especially as his team begins working on a new project for the global rollout of the human resources software (Workday) for partner organizations around the world. He requests prayer for wisdom, guidance, unity among the partners, and energy for the teams involved in the project. Christine's department, that monitors the progress and finances of Bible translation projects, is going

through a time of transition. She requests prayer for good communication and positive attitudes during these changes.

Reaching Out: Mayard Beitzel preaching at Manbeck. Charlie Stump at Mt. Union Presbyterian. Emily and Twila Yoder will be conducting a ladies' Bible study this afternoon at the Mifflin County Prison at 1:30.

April 16, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance216
S.S. Attendance367
10:30 Worship Attendance233
Jr. S.S. Offering.....\$7.01
Adult S.S. Offering.....\$4.00
Morning Worship Offering\$12,395.31

Week 14

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$178,640
YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$177,738
YTD Income - \$225,045
YTD Expenses - \$226,881

This Week's Events:

Tuesday, 7:00 a.m., Men's Pursuit of God Bible Study

Upcoming Events:

April 30, 7:00 p.m. – Conclusion of Perspectives at Allensville Mennonite Ch.
May 4 – National Day of Prayer
May 6, 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Priceless, a mother/daughter event (pre-K-Grade 6)

MYF: Grades 10-12, Meet at Pam & Ivan's at 6:30 for hobo dinners and a hike.

Group: Grades 7-9, Today, April 23, meet at the church at **5:00 p.m.** We plan to hike the thousand steps. Bring a packed lunch and a water bottle.

Young Adults: Today, meet at Ivan & Pam's for lunch & discussion.

A Man's weekend open to all men is again being planned for May 5-7. We plan to again spend the weekend in northern PA enjoying God's creation. There are a few spots available. If interested, contact Ivan Yoder today.

Interested in birds? A birdwatching outing is being planned for Saturday, May 13. We will be traveling to Shaver's Creek. Meet at the church at 7:30 a.m. with a return time no later than noon. Wear comfortable shoes and bring your binoculars. We will have our own expert, Jay Zook, as our guide. If you are interested in going, contact Pam.

We welcome **Ellie Joe Zook**, daughter of Rachel Zook, born April 4, 2017, into our church family!

Congratulations to **Jonathan & Adriene Zook** and **Max & Brenda Zook** on the birth of **Chloe Elizabeth** on Wednesday, April 19 in Williamsport, PA!

MOM'S BIBLE STUDY-Meets Tuesday mornings at 10 am in the nursery. Bring a snack to share.

Will you join us? We invite you to prayerfully consider partnering with **Holly & Chisomo VanSciver** through prayer as they prepare to serve in South Africa. We are in need of: 1) **Prayer Partners** who are willing to commit to praying for requests on a regular basis and 2) Individuals to be a part of an **Intercessory Prayer Team**. The Intercessory Prayer Team involves praying on a deeper level of focused intensive prayer during times when Holly and Chisomo, the ministry team members and the students they are discipling are faced with intense spiritual warfare. Training for the Intercessory Prayer Team will be provided and will be announced at a later date. If you are interested in being either a Prayer Partner or part of the Intercessory Prayer Team, please contact Neil & Luann Renno at 483-6994 or 250-9371 or anne06@pa.net. Thank you!

To the members of Locust Grove Church, I would like **to express my thanks** for all the birthday cards sent to me on my 91st birthday. There was quite a stack of them and I thank you very much. Sincerely, Bob Watts

Quest Diagnostics: Omega Health Screen will be at Locust Grove on Saturday, May 13 from 7– 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$60 and includes a chemistry profile, coronary risk profile, and complete blood count. Other tests are available at an additional cost. You must pre-register by calling 1-800-776-6342.

Kenyan Trip – If you would still like to bring in school supplies for Ann Kanagy and the team to take to Kenya this summer, today is the last day.

Quilt Auction: A friend of the Kenyan Project donated a beautiful handmade quilt to be sold; the proceeds will be used to help serve the children and single moms of Eldoret, Kenya. The quilt is on display and being silent auctioned at Yoder's Tees and More in Belleville. The Silent Auction Ends April 28th at 3:00 p.m.

Come individually or bring a youth on Thursday, June 8th (it could be your own child or grandchild) and experience together the joy of serving people around the world; who are in need. This opportunity is brought to you through the Mennonite Central Committee material resource center and your local mission committee. For trip details and sign up, please check the bulletin board by the gym.

KID CONNECTION: The DC4K team is looking for people to help an hour or two at KID CONNECTION in Lewistown on Sat, April 29. The event runs from 9 am - 2 pm. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the fellowship hall.

Getting ready to retire? Everence Financial will present the seminar, *Make sense of your Medicare choices*, at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 24. Lisa Luft, Client Relationship Representative, will speak on Medicare, provide instructions on how to enroll, explain your options if you continue to work and answer related questions. The seminar will take place at Valley View, Belleville. To reserve a spot, contact Lisa Luft at (717) 697-1728 or lisa.luft@everence.com.

Historical Society: Plan to attend a special evening of the legacies of Solomon D Peachey Sr and Jr shared by a descendant, Timothy R Peachey, stories you have never heard. There will be memorabilia on display. It is the annual meeting of the Heritage Center at the Maple Groves Mennonite Church Fri. May 5, 7:00 pm.

Gospel Echoes Team Fund Raising Banquet is scheduled for Monday, May 8 at 6:30 PM at the Belleville Mennonite School. An inspirational speaker will be sharing "Victories in prison ministry", he served in corrections for over 30 years: Bill Babb. All are invited, tickets are required at \$8.00/person, with those children 5 and under free. Contact Glenn and Karen Yoder for tickets, 935-2685.

Hope Alive Group Treatment Program will begin a new group in the late summer. This group may be for you if you are ready to dig in and resolve those issues that cause you pain, or nightmares, or difficult relationships. Are you asking yourself: "Why do I think and act as I do?" "How does my childhood abuse and neglect cause me pain today?" "What affect does my pregnancy losses have in my current family life?" Discover and know yourself better. Now is a good time to schedule an evaluation and question/answer session with me. Call for an appointment: Karen Yoder at 935-2685.

BACKYARD MINISTRIES. The Abundant Life SS class thanks you for your donations in March. We were able to provide 100 snack bags for kids in Lewistown. We are in need of donations for April. We need Nutri-grain bars (check the Dollar Store for a generic equivalent), pre-packaged cookies and crackers (no nuts or peanut butter). A box is located in the lobby for you to deposit your donations. We will need these items every month, so please keep us in mind as you do your shopping. For more information, call Pat (Gerald) Yoder at 935-2835.

SWEET BREAD is still needed for Backyard Ministries. They have found the bread to be an effective door-opener to witness to adults. Recipients are touched that someone would take the time to bake them a loaf of bread. The bread may be any flavor from A-Z (Apple, Banana, Cranberry.....Zucchini), but NO nuts or peanut butter. Loaves should be placed in a gallon-size freezer bag labeled with "BYM" and the flavor. They may be frozen or fresh. For this month, bread loaves should be placed in the Locust Grove kitchen by Monday, April 24. If you have any questions, call Pat (Gerald) Yoder at 935-2835.



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!

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

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 a.m. and usually finish by 9:30 a.m.

Memory Verse Challenge - kids, we now have 1 week left to memorize as many verses of the Sermon on the Mount as we can, starting at Matthew 5:1. We will be having our pizza party challenge on April 28th, 5:30 PM.

Coming Up:

Priceless -Saturday May 6th, 9-11 AM (Pre-K - Gr 6)

A mother (grandmother)/daughter event. Enjoy a morning together including breakfast and special activities designed to help you know the truth about how very special you are.

Mega Sports Camp: June 12 - 16

VBS "Around the World with Jesus' Love": June 25 - 28

Prayer Guide for April 23 - April 29

23 Sunday – *Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.* John 20:18

24 Monday – Pray for **Jim Buchanan** in his recovery from heart surgery last week and for **Sara Ann Yoder** in her physical therapy at Ohesson Manor.

25 Tuesday – Pray for and encourage our church treasurer, **Angie Knable**, today on her birthday. Pray for the team preparing to go to Kenya: **Ann Kanagy, Karen Goss, and Karen Zook**.

26 Wednesday – Pray for **Bob Plank** in his preparation to preach this coming Sunday, for **Simon Foote** as he prepares to lead our morning worship time, and for the Romania group as they prepare to share.

27 Thursday – Pray for **the Hostetler family** after Ruby's ongoing illness and severe stroke. Pray for **Floyd** in his ongoing chemotherapy, and for **Dave & Cam Long** and their children and grandchildren.

28 Friday – Pray for **Dion and Naty Peachey** today on Dion's birthday. Pray for wisdom for them in deciding how to invest their time with the many people they meet, coupled with Dion's teaching responsibilities and Gaby and Marcus's school activities. Pray for the children adjusting to their new school and friends.

29 Saturday – Pray for the next Romania Team: **Steph Hoffman, Steph Hartzler, Karen Kramm, Nadya Peachey, and Juanita Byler**, planning to be in Romania May 13-22.