

Welcome To Locust Grove

June 4, 2017

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9:00 & 10:30 Morning Worship Service

Prelude: Meagan Byler
Worship Leader: Ivan Yoder
Song Leader: Leon Miller
Elder Consecration Service: Drew Derstein
Sermon: When Pentecost Came... Acts 2 - Max Zook

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 – Lauren Reed and Ashley Newman
10:30 – Karen Yoder, Chisomo VanSciver, Lexi Melanson
*Next Week: 9:00- Justin & Amanda Byler, Sydney Jerman
10:30- Clint & Heather Yoder, Chesney Delozier

Prayer List:

At Home: Bill, Gina, Gianna, Isaiah, Jaylin, & Alex Fate
Bob Watts

At Valley View: Martha Yoder, 118 Valley View Terrace

Away: Celeste Estep, moving to 92 Logan St. Lewistown from Florida this week!

Mission Spot: New Tribes Mission, Lusi Tribe, Papua New Guinea: Rick, Anji, Kira, and Keane Zook. **Praises:** God is the source of every good thing. Financial support has increased and lack of funds no longer is hampering the work. God enables and strengthens His people to do His work. New Lusi believers were added to the church this spring. **Prayer requests:** Eyes will be on Jesus, not difficult circumstances, translation work on 1 Corinthians and Exodus will go well, the Lusi people will break free from the bondage of their religion, be convicted by the Holy Spirit, and realize the saving grace of Jesus. Also, pray for the children as they finish the school year, and as they grow, may they put their faith in Christ alone.

May 28, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance 232
S.S. Attendance..... 357
10:30 Worship Attendance 191
Jr. S.S. Offering \$4.00
Adult S.S. Offering \$38.00
Morning Worship Offering \$9,669.18

Week 20

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$245,630
YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$235,761
YTD Income - \$288,013
YTD Expenses - \$272,268

This Week's Events:

Tonight, 6:00 p.m. – Steps to Freedom in Christ Bible Study
Monday, 7:00 p.m. – Leadership Team meets
Tuesday, 7:00 a.m. – Men's pursuit of God Bible Study
Tuesday, Ladies' Sewing – Please bring your own lunch
Wednesday - 6:45 p.m. Hymn Sing at Valley View Terrace Activities Room
Wednesday-Friday – MYF Service Project

Upcoming Events:

June 11 – Mega Sports Camp Volunteer Meeting after 2nd Service
June 12-16 – Mega Sports Camp
June 25-28 VBS

Summer Youth Activities:

June 22-25 – MYF Camping Trip
July 5-9 – Freshman Guys Trip
July 12-16 – Group Girls Trip
July 19-23 – Group 7 & 8th Grade Guys Trip
July 27-30 – Group Girls Adventure Trip
July 26-Aug. 1 – Father/Son Trip

Young Adults: Meet at Ivan & Pam's today for lunch and discussion.

VBS 2017 – If your child has a food allergy, please register early for VBS or let me know, so that we can ensure our snacks do not include any foods your child may be allergic to. Thank you. Judith Saldubehere

Baptism. We plan for a church picnic and baptismal service on Sunday evening, August 13 at Creekside Pavilion. If you would like to be baptized this summer, please contact Max or Ivan. A preparation class will be starting very soon.

Membership. Several people have been attending our church without becoming members. Membership involves a commitment we make to each other in the church family. If you would like to know more about the membership commitment or are considering becoming a member, text or call Max at 717.348.4488.

MYF: Summer service project, beginning at 8 a.m. each day. We plan to work until 8 p.m. so lunch & dinner will be provided.

Group: An evening of outdoor games & activities at Greenwood State Park is planned for tonight at 6 p.m. Guys bring a drink, girls bring a snack.

Father/Son Trip: We need a couple more participants. If you are interested, contact Ivan this week at 363-0857.

Thank you church family for all your prayers & support while we were in Kenya. You will be hearing more about the trip in the near future. A special thank you to the kids for the school supplies. They truly enjoyed all the supplies. And, thank you to the prayer team who prayed for us. Karen Goss, Karen Zook, & Ann Kanagy.

Jim Buchanan will celebrate a birthday this coming Tuesday. Let's encourage Jim & Tawni with cards at 182 Ort Valley Road, Lewistown, 17044. Jim has been confined to his home for months before his recent surgery and during his recovery.

The Steps to Freedom in Christ is the core of a study that Max is leading every other Sunday evening, from 6 - 8 p.m., to coincide with meeting times of the junior high youth group. The group meets tonight, June 4.

"...Go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:19)." A smoked pork BBQ meal will be served on Sunday, June 11th, immediately following the 2nd service, to help raise funds to support Holly VanSciver and her daughter, Grace. They plan to move to Jeffrey's Bay, South Africa in September to join the staff at The Leadership Experience, a discipleship training program that prepares international young adults to reach their communities and the world with the Gospel (www.thelxp.org). Please plan to join us for a delicious meal and a great time of fellowship in support of our sisters who are living out the Great Commission.

Come individually or bring a youth on Thursday, June 8th for an MCC Workday. It could be your child or grandchild. 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.

Israel Trip. We are now reserving seats for our trip to Israel on March 19-29, 2018. Although you may have missed the first deadline to reserve space on this trip, but you can still jump in at low rates. Contact Max or Brenda if you are interested.

CMC Conference: CMC's Annual Conference will be held at Central Christian School in Kidron, Ohio, July 27-30, registration opens June 1. For more information, please pick up the flier that is on both entry tables. Thank you.

Coaching Position Open at Belleville Mennonite School. BMS is searching for a Women's Varsity Basketball Head Coach, responsible for the overall organization, execution, and administration of the varsity program. Official PIAA Winter season begins November 2017 and runs through February 2018. Paid position with flexible, evening practice hours. Must have high school diploma, current knowledge of basketball techniques and rules, and must demonstrate a high degree of integrity. Please contact the BMS Office at (717) 935-2184 for an application.

Missionary Moments:

RMM's LAMP for Ecuador, working with RCE and Alliance Academy International in Quito, Ecuador: Dion, Natasha, Gabriela and Marcus Peachey: Greetings from finally sunny, but still chilly Quito, Ecuador! According to the locals, rainy season was longer and colder than usual this past year, but it seems to be over now. We have been very busy with lots of school work and projects lately. We still have 23 days of classes from now until June 29. Pray that we have patience with each other and other students as we head into our last month of school. Please pray with us for our friends Carlos and Lorena. Carlos is having some cancer tests this week and we are praying they come back clean. June 9-11 we will be co-leading a youth retreat with another couple. We expecting to have about 20-30 youth join us, some who are not yet believers. Pray that we can all connect well with God and each other over the weekend. Please pray for our summer plans. Friends from Ohio are coming to visit us at the beginning of July and we will travel with them to visit some of the Mennonite churches on the coast. After that we will visit several other churches before returning home and then traveling to the US at the end of July. We will be visiting our church in Columbus and going to CMC conference then coming to Belleville to visit family and have another smoked pork fundraiser at Locust Grove on August 13. Pray that our plans for all these trips will come together. One practical need we have is for a car to use while we are in PA. If anyone has or knows of a car we could borrow or rent while we are in PA in August, please let us know.

YWAM in Cluj, Romania: Alin, Gabi, Melissa, Julia and Caleb Ciorogar: It is always an honor to write and connect with you all. The last couple of month have been full and wonderful in the same time. One of the biggest event in our ministry is the fact that we have transitioned out from the House of Joy all the moms and children. There has been a big change in our country and over the last year we have learn that our mothers need the most help to reintegrate in the society in a more permanent way then our house was offering. So with great joy and excitement we want to say that all our mothers and children are now on their own making a living in town. It is a good change, and answer to prayer and a wonderful opportunity to be able to continue their discipleship while they are living a normal life. We are working now at finding families in town that will adopt each mother and will help them with monthly staple foods. It is wonderful to see the families in the Romanian churches partnering with us. We already have 6 families that have adopted 6 moms and their children. We've been praying for this for the last 20 years and now we can see the answers to our prayers. We will be using the House of Joy for other training opportunities. The building will still be used to save lives but in a different way. We are excited about this change and transition in the needs of our country. Our team is doing well. We had Bob with us for a 3 days Bible Study and it was an incredible blessing to have this time just for our staff team. It is always a time of growth and change when we gather around the Word of God. The months of May and June will bring a big celebration in our house. Gabi has her last exams for her collage and she will graduate at the end of June. Praise the Lord this season is finishing successfully. She did great and now she's been invited by one of her professors to speak to an English course. This is a very big honor and opportunity to connect and build relationships with the professors and students in the local collage. The summer is approaching fast and our children will start summer break. They are so ready for it. :) Melissa is finishing 5th grade, Julia 2nd and Caleb is almost done with preschool. They are all so big and responsible. We are praying to be able to come and visit with you all this summer for couple of weeks. Please pray with us for this. Also please pray for our team as we are getting closer to summer and the schedule will be so very busy with a lot of hosting short term teams and partnering with ministries in and around Cluj. Thank you for being part of the team that is helping us bring life to people here in Romania. We know that we are not called to do this alone and we are honored to have you on our team.



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**.

Coming Up:

Mega Sports Camp: June 12 - 16, 9:00 - 11:30 AM (entering Grades 1-5) Registration forms are available in the foyer or register on-line at www.locustgrovemc.org/mega-sports-camp. There will be a limited number of openings for each sport so please sign up early. If you are entering 6th grade in the fall and would like to help with Mega Sports Camp this year, please see Judith for details.

VBS "Around the World with Jesus' Love": June 25 - 28, 6:00-8:00 PM for kids ages 4 through Grade 6 (entering). Come and join us for an adventure filled VBS.

Experience what it's like to be a missionary in a foreign country. You'll 'fly' to Israel for an archaeological dig, join a medical mission in Mexico, learn how to buy snacks at a Brazilian market, make a tic toc African drum, play 'third world' soccer, and much MORE. **Postcards** are available in the foyer for you to take to invite your friends. Let's see if we can each invite **three** friends to this year's VBS!

Registration forms are available in the church foyer or register on-line.

Prayer Guide for June 4 – June 10

4 Sunday – "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." Acts 2:36

5 Monday – **Read 2 Samuel 1 & 2.** Pray for **Drew Derstein** as he begins his role as elder this evening in the June leadership team meeting. Pray for the **Pastors and elders** as they give leadership to our church and address many current concerns and goals.

6 Tuesday – **2 Samuel 3 & 23.** Pray for people recovering from surgery: **Glen Peachey, Jim Buchanan (today is his birthday!), and Jim Marthouse** recovering from a stem cell transplant. Also pray for our recent **graduates** from both college and high school and for families adjusting to having children at home.

7 Wednesday – **2 Samuel 4 & 5 and 1 Chron 12:23-40.** Pray for **Theil & Andrea Kauffman** as they prepare to lead the worship team on Sunday morning and pray for **Gregg Kanagy** from Gator Camp in Florida as he prepares to bring our morning sermon.

8 Thursday – **2 Samuel 6 and 1 Chronicles 15.** Pray today for **Diane Saner**, sister of Ann Peachey who is having stem cell transplant at Geisinger in Danville today in her treatment plan for cancer. She was scheduled for a very intensive chemotherapy treatment for yesterday before the transplant.

9 Friday – **2 Samuel 7 & 8; Psalm 60 & 108.** Pray for **Judith and the team of volunteers preparing to lead Mega Sports** next week at the Belleville playground as an outreach way to sharing the love of Jesus and Bible stories with children in our community in a sports camp format

10 Saturday – **2 Samuel 9 & 10.** Pray today for **Holly and Chisomo VanSciver** in their preparation to move to South Africa this fall. Tomorrow we will have a fund-raising lunch at noon for their financial expenses and support. Pray for financial supporters to commit to regular giving over the next three years.