

# Welcome To Locust Grove

August 13, 2017

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

Prelude: Dan Fry  
Worship Leader: Max Zook  
Song Leader: Theil Kauffman  
Sermon: Jonah's Heart, Jonah, Ivan Yoder

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

## 5:00 p.m. – Evening Picnic & Baptismal Service at Creekside

Our annual church picnic and baptismal service is this evening. Hot dogs will be provided. Bring lawn chairs and finger foods to share with the rest of our church family for an evening picnic before a worship service at 6:00 p.m. and then a family dedication, transfer of membership and baptism. Participants will include: Kristyn Byler, Isaiah Fate, Jonathan Hartzler, Megan Hartzler, Ruth and Rebecca Peachey, Daniel & Nadya Peachey, Emily Altamuro and Kent & Angie Knable.

## Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds-

9:00 – Sally Clark, Josh and Sarah Kanagy  
10:30 – Katie Peachey and Nancy Peachey  
\*Next Week: 9:00- Andrew & Alicia Zook  
10:30- Sarah and Sylvia Peachey

## Prayer List:

At Home: Pauline Glick  
Bill, Wendy, Rachel, & Hannah Sulouff

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

Away: Daniel, Rachele, & Jolene Yoder  
304 Cedar St., Keuka Park, NY 14478

**Mission Spot:** Wycliffe in Orlando, Florida: Keith, Christina, Luke, and Nicole Bitikofer. Pray for Keith and Christina in their work for Wycliffe, that their work will be fruitful and relationships with co-workers would be healthy. Pray for the children this week as they return to school. And pray for the Bitikofers as a family, that they will continue to see God's faithfulness to them as they learn to trust Him completely.

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August 6, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance ..... 183  
S.S. Attendance..... 353  
10:30 Worship Attendance ..... 179  
Jr. S.S. Offering ..... \$1.00  
Adult S.S. Offering ..... \$2.00  
Morning Worship Offering..... \$13,043.00

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## Week 30

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$357,280  
YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$351, 378  
YTD Income - \$416,566  
YTD Expenses - \$401,320

## This Week's Events:

Tonight, 5:00 p.m. – Church Picnic and Baptism at Creekside  
Tuesday, 7:00 a.m. – Men's Pursuit of God Bible Study  
Thursday – **Secret Keeper Event, Purple Party tour** for Mom's and Middle School age girls. 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the Mifflin County Middle School. Doors open at 5:45. Tickets available on WGRC website. Scholarships available upon request to help with cost. Sponsored by Heaven Bound Church of Mifflintown. Contact Pam with questions.

## Upcoming Events:

August 30 – Red Cross Blood Drive at Locust Grove  
October 6-9 – Marriage Retreat

**Pulled Pork Fundraiser:** The Peachey family invites you for a pulled pork fundraising dinner today from 12:00-2:00 at Locust Grove to see what God is doing in Ecuador. Take-outs available after 10 a.m. RSVP 717-363-0043.

**Church Picnic and Baptismal:** This evening we plan for a church picnic to begin at 5:00 p.m. at the Creekside Pavilion.

**Group:** August 27, 6 p.m. Bring your parents as we recap our summer trips and wrap up our year together. Come prepared for games and activities. Girls bring a snack, guys bring a drink.

**Young Adults Fundraiser:** The young adults will be taking orders for homemade apple butter and homemade white bread as a fundraiser to support their upcoming mission trip in May to Echo Ranch Bible Camp in Juneau, Alaska. You will find an order form on the bulletin board or talk to any young adult or Pam & Ivan.

**HELP FOR CHILDREN OF DIVORCE AND SEPARATION: DC4K,** a community, biblically-based program for children (ages 5–12) struggling with the hurt and pain of divorce and separation, will begin the fall sessions starting on September 11, 2017. DC4K, a support group for kids, meets for 13 weeks; each session runs for 1 ½ hours. This community program is held in three locations in Mifflin County including: JV YMCA-Burnham, Belleville at Locust Grove Church, and the Lumina Center-Lewistown. For more information or to register children, text or call Ann at 717-437-4946. (Seating in each group is limited to 10-12 kids. A waiting list is used to accommodate a larger number.) There is no fee for this program to kids or families.

**Divorce Hurts.** Find help at DivorceCare. It is a special weekly seminar & support group for people who are separated or divorced. It's a place where you can be around people who understand what you are feeling. It's a place where you can hear valuable information about ways to heal from the hurt of divorce. Do you have a family member, friend, neighbor, coworker who could benefit? Let them know! We will meet weekly beginning September 11 running for 13 weeks. DivorceCare 4 Kids will be meeting at the same time: 6:30 p.m. - 8. If you have any questions, contact Glen or Yvonne Peachey @ justpeachey1970@gmail.com or call 717-935-7496; Glen 953-1881; Yvonne 247-4915

**Men:** Join us August 26<sup>th</sup> at the ballpark for a Saturday evening Spike's ball game. Fathers, consider bringing your son or daughter and join the fun on Mifflin/Juniata County night as the Spike's take on Williamsport at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$12. Contact Tom Clark at 250.3827 to reserve your space.

**GriefShare:** We plan to initiate a grief share support group here at Locust Grove beginning in November. GriefShare is for individuals grieving the death of a family member or friend. Through weekly meetings, a caring group on people walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. If you are interested, contact Ivan and Pam or look for more info at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org).

**Gabi & Alin** will be here with us August 11-29 & would like to visit as many as possible. If anyone would like to visit with them or have them for a meal could you contact JoAnn Plank @ 717 994-3676, if I don't answer leave a message!

Just a reminder to **those of you writing for The Open Door issue** of the **Connection** - articles are due August 20 (that's next Sunday!!) Send to [brendaebyzook@gmail.com](mailto:brendaebyzook@gmail.com) or put your handwritten manuscript in my mailbox! I'm looking forward to reading your stories!!

**Hey kids (adults too, if you're interested!!)** Do you have a favorite door? Maybe it's Grandma's kitchen door, an unusual door at a local store where your mom sometimes lets you pick out candy, or even an imaginary door from your favorite book, like the wardrobe door in Narnia or the barnyard door in Charlotte's Web. I'd love to include your door artwork in the upcoming issue of the Connection! Put your drawing in my mailbox (sign it!!) or send me a door photo at [brendaebyzook@gmail.com](mailto:brendaebyzook@gmail.com). If you include a sentence or two explaining your door, that would be great. (Or, write a poem!!) Now, get busy...deadline is August 20...that's next Sunday!! I can't wait to see what you're up to!!

**DC4K Leaders:** Do you love kids & Jesus? Do you have empathy for children of divorce/separation? Do you have a sense of calling to reach this mission field in Mifflin County? Do you want to help advance Christ's kingdom in the next generation? If you are answering, "yes" to these questions, we invite you to consider serving on a community DC4K team at the Juniata Valley MYCA this fall. Please text or call Ann at 717-437-4946 for more information.

**Thank you all for your prayers and the financial support** I received for this year's Ride for Missions. With 48 riders this year we were able to raise over \$113,000. This being the 12<sup>th</sup> year, the ride has now raised over one millions dollars for missions. Ride for Missions supports the work of Rosedale Mennonite Missions, helping send workers around the world where few people have heard the good news about Jesus. Thank you, Jim Yoder

*Prayer Guide for August 13 – August 19*

13 Sunday – *Nineveh has more than 120,000 people who cannot tell their right hand from their left... Should I not be concerned about that great city?*  
Jonah 4:8

14 Monday – **2 Kings 4**. Pray for **Harold Longenecker**, Kristin Diehl's father who is recovering from surgery and a farm accident at UPMC in Pittsburgh. Thank God for **Jim Buchanan's recovery** and great report from his recent doctor visit. Pray for **Marci Jones** in her therapy to regain strength in her legs. Pray for **Marci, Hannah & Zachary**.

15 Tuesday – **2 Kings 5 & 6**. Pray for **Kendra** in the Philippines and pray for our evangelist in another part of the world visiting an unreached group of people in a very remote location. Pray for meaningful connections and relationships along with protection on a very long trip.

16 Wednesday – **2 Kings 7 & 8**. Pray for **Brian Renno** as he prepares to lead worship this evening with the worship team. Pray for **Max** as he prepares a sermon for Sunday from Micah 6:8, using the messages of the Old Testament prophets Amos and Micah.

17 Thursday – **2 Kings 9 & 10**. Pray for and encourage **Glen & Joyce Yoder** today on their wedding anniversary! Pray for Glen in his ongoing medical needs. And pray for **Jim & Daphne Marthouse** in his recovery from stem cell transplant.

18 Friday – **2 Kings 11 & 2 Chronicles 24**. Pray for the people who were baptized this past Sunday evening and others who became members of our church family: **Kristyn Byler, Isaiah Fate, Jonathan Hartzler, Megan Hartzler, Ruth and Rebecca Peachey, and Daniel & Nadya Peachey**. New members included **Emily Altamuro** and **Kent & Angie Knable**.

19 Saturday – **2 Kings 13 & 2 Chronicles 25**. Pray for **college students** from our church family, especially college freshmen leaving home for the first time to continue their studies. Pray for God to connect our students with others who love Jesus to help each other grow in their faith!