

# Welcome To Locust Grove

August 27, 2017

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

Prelude: Duke Larson  
Worship Leader: Max Zook  
Song Leader: Sherryl Yoder  
Sermon: Hosea, For God So Loved..., Ivan Yoder

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

### Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds-

9:00 – Simon & Morgan Foote

10:30 – Bronson & Jenny Goss, Chloe Renno

\*Next Week: 9:00- Lauren Reed and Ashley Newman

10:30- Karen Yoder, Chisomo VanSciver, Lexi Melanson

### Prayer List:

At Home: Bronson, Jenny, Sadie, & Vera Goss  
Charlie & Kathy Stump

At Valley View: Twila Peachey, A128 Valley View Terrace

Away: Tyler Yoder, Gator Wilderness Camp  
44930 Farabee Rd, Punta Gorda, FL 33982

**Mission Spot:** Barnabas Fund, Philippines: Kendra Fultz. The past month has been a life changing experience. Learning how to live without a schedule is new for me. The first couple weeks were a little bumpy, but I am slowly learning how to live where my feet are. I have hiked out to several villages and assisted a team of midwives to do check-ups on the Manyan people. The women usually deliver the babies in their huts with their husbands assisting. Leah and Francis are trying to get more to come to the clinic in case of complications. There are many premature births and deaths, a child living to age 5 is fortunate. Most of the Manyan people are anemic and malnourished so their babies are extremely unhealthy. There is a lot of injustice for the Manyan people. People are killed by vigilantes and no justice is brought for

the families. I ask for prayers of justice for these amazing people. Pray for boldness and courage that I may step out in faith to help them. Pray for strength and grace as I hike into these villages. Pray that God shows me the gifts He has given me that I may use them to further His kingdom here in the Philippines. Thank you for your love and support.

**Reaching Out:** Emily Yoder conducting a Bible study for the ladies at the Mifflin County Correctional Institution this afternoon at 1:30.

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August 20, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance ..... 166  
S.S. Attendance..... 322  
10:30 Worship Attendance ..... 173  
Jr. S.S. Offering ..... \$6.00  
Adult S.S. Offering ..... \$46.00  
Morning Worship Offering ..... \$10,369.14

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### Week 32

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$378,610

YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$371,189

YTD Income - \$468,398

YTD Expenses - \$425,421

### This Week's Events:

Lunch today – Children's Sunday school teachers are invited to a noon meal today in the fellowship hall followed by orientation in the basement

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

Wednesday 12-6 – Red Cross Blood drive here at Locust Grove

Friday, 6:00 – Leadership Team picnic

### Upcoming Events:

September 24-26, Fall Renewal meetings with Richard Showalter

October 2 – Fall Communion Sunday

October 6-9 – Marriage Retreat

Please prayerfully consider **helping out in the children's department**. We are still looking for teachers and substitutes for Sunday school classes. If you feel that God is leading you to help out, please talk to Joyce Staley.

**Young Adults Fundraiser:** The young adults are 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.

**Vi Pannebaker's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday** is Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>! Let's shower her with cards to show how much she is appreciated! Please send all cards to Vi Pannebaker, Belleville, PA (No street address required).

**Moms:** We plan to begin Bible study on Tuesday, September 12. We will meet at 10 am in the nursery and be led in our discussion by Jenny Goss

**Group:** Tonight, 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.

**MYF:** There is no MYF this week. We will kick off our new year Sept. 6.

**Young adults:** Lunch and discussion @ Ivan & Pam's today.

The **Red Cross** will be here at Locust Grove on Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> from noon until 6 p.m. to collect blood donations. If you would like to schedule an appointment to donate, please see Sally Clark or call her at 717-250-9739. You can also schedule an appointment online by visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

In light of recent events, Lewistown Presbyterian Church will be hosting a **Prayer Vigil for Racial Reconciliation** at 7 PM tonight. Pastor James Thomas of the Lewistown Presbyterian Church will be speaking, as will Sacred Heart's Parish Vicar Jayaseelan Amalanthan, who grew up as one of the "untouchables" in India. Bernard Carpenter will provide special music. Please join us as we model Christ's reconciling love, receive comfort and assurance through corporate prayer, and focus together on bearing witness of the reconciling power of God to the world.

**Help for Children of Divorce/Separation: DC4K**, a community, biblically-based support program for children (ages 5–12) struggling with the hurt and pain of divorce and separation, will begin fall sessions starting on Sept. 11, 2017. We meet for 13 weeks; 1 ½ hours per session. This community program is held in three locations in Mifflin County including: YMCA-Burnham, Belleville at Locust Grove Church, and the Lumina Center-Lewistown. For more info 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.

**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).

**Divorce Hurts.** Find help at DivorceCare. It is a special weekly seminar & support group for adults 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 Sept. 11 running for 13 weeks. DivorceCare 4 Kids will be meeting at the same time: 6:30 p.m. - 8. Questions, contact Glen or Yvonne Peachey @ [justpeachey1970@gmail.com](mailto:justpeachey1970@gmail.com) or call 717-935-7496; Glen 953-1881; Yvonne 247-4915

**SINGLE MOMS:** Are you a Single Mom? If so, consider this your invitation to join us at the Mifflin County Single Moms Care & Support group. We will meet the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday** evenings from 6:30-8 PM at New Life Church Café, 101 Beech Street, Burnham, PA from September 8, 2017 – May 31, 2018. We are not a "professional group" or a therapy group. We are a support group by and for Single Moms. We know what it's like to be a Single Mom. We really hope you will join us no matter where you are on your own Single Mom journey. If you are a Single Mom – divorced, never-married, widowed, grand-single-parenting – come on! For more information, call or text Emily at 717-437-5221 or Kathy at 214-542-1681. (Childcare provided)

**It's the time of year to be preparing for back to school.** Please consider helping those less fortunate than ourselves and share a school kit with MCC. The items included in a school kit are • 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 1/2 X 10 1/2 in and 70 sheets) • 8 unsharpened pencils • 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in) • 12 colored pencils (in packaging) • 1 large pencil eraser There will be a box at both entrances to place your items in. We will be collecting them until the next scheduled work day at the MCC work center on October 19. Please save the date to plan to go as a group from our church for the work day. For more information about school kits check out the web site at [mcc.org](http://mcc.org). A container to place your coins for "My Coins Count" is set up beside the welcoming table in the foyer. Thank you.

The Mennonite Heritage Center is sponsoring an **Amish Wedding meal** at Locust Grove October 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. About 20 older dresses will be on display. Following the meal and comments by Tom Spicher, President, models will showcase dresses of over 50 years old with the couples' wedding picture. The cost is \$20 per plate and tickets can be purchased from L. Marlin Yoder or Sanford King. If you have any questions, contact Sanford at 935.2783.

## *Prayer Guide for August 27 – September 2*

27 Sunday – Hosea 3:5 – *Afterward the Israelites will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the LORD and to his blessings in the last days.*

28 Monday – **2 Chronicles 28:1-15 & Isaiah 7**. Pray for **teachers and students** returning to our local schools this week. Pray for teachers from our church family, including: **Megan Byler, Jenna Derstein, Jessica Geisinger, Megan Hartman, Jenn Hartzler, Carrie Kanagy, Dion Peachey, Tami (Max) Peachey, Tami (Nathan) Peachey, Matt Reed, Darrin Saldubehere, Nichole Staley, Amanda Yoder and Juli Yoder.**

29 Tuesday – **2 Chronicles 28:16-25, 2 Kings 18:1-8, Hosea 1 -3**. Pray for seeds that have been planted in recent weeks on the other side of the world by our evangelist. Pray for God to protect those who hunger and thirst so that the can be filled with the Gospel. Pray for **Kendra** in the Philippines to learn what it means to serve Jesus there. And pray for the **people of North Korea** to seek God and learn to know about Jesus.

30 Wednesday – **Hosea 4-7**. Pray for **Brian Renno** as he meets with a worship team this evening to prepare for Sunday’s worship service. And pray for **Max** in his preparation for a sermon this coming Sunday.

31 Thursday – **Hosea 8 – 10**. Pray for all the **children’s department teachers** preparing their classrooms and lessons to shape a whole new generation of pastors, church leaders, and men and women who will influence others to become followers of Jesus!

Sept. 1 Friday – **Hosea 11 – 14**. Pray today for **Floyd Hartzler** on his birthday! Pray for God’s peace and comfort in his life since Ruby died. Also pray for other **widows and widowers in our church and community**. Pray for **Alexis Peachey** beginning her REACH team training in Ohio and pray for **Lee Peachey**, her dad who is adjusting to an empty nest.

2 Saturday – **2 Kings 17:1-40 & Isaiah 1**. Pray for our **country** on this Labor Day weekend, for God’s direction for all of our government officials so that we can continue to serve God freely. Pray for **God’s Spirit** to continue drawing our country to repent of our sins and seek God’s face in humility and genuine repentance of pride, racism, and divisions.

\*You are invited to share in the **DC4K program** through signing up to help provide snacks to these outreach groups. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the east gym entrance. And, DC4K begins on Monday, September 8.