

Welcome To Locust Grove

September 17, 2017

Senior Pastor.....Max Zook 717.348.4488
Associate Pastor.....Ivan Yoder 717.363.0857
Youth & Women's Ministry Coordinator.....Pam Yoder 717.363.6547
Children's Ministry Coordinator.....
Secretary..... Kara Kauffman 717.437.1473
Church Office..... 717.935.2164

9:00 & 10:30 Morning Worship Service

Prelude: Spotts Family
Worship Leader: Mike Hartzler
Song Leader: Brian Renno
Sermon: Seventy Years For Not Listening, Jer. 25:1-14 - Max Zook

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

Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds-

9:00 – Kristin, Hannah, and Naomi Diehl
10:30 – Michelle Kline and Sherry Miller
*Next Week: 9:00- Daniel & Nadya Peachey
10:30- Cheston & Jen Hartzler, Jana Nardis

Prayer List:

At Home: Kim, Bryce, Reagan, Lincoln, & Thatcher Greiner
Carl & Marybeth Strauser

At Valley View: Anna Margaret Yoder, A213 Valley View Terrace

Away: Gregg, Sharon, Hope, & Katie Kanagy
44810 Farabee Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33982

Mission Spot: RMM in Southern Spain; Phil and Maretta Barr

The church in Rincon de La Victoria continues to be a hub for outreach and discipling activity. Please pray for wisdom for Pastor Ivan and Pepe. Pray also that Phil's teaching would be effective, and Phil and Maretta would both be an encouragement to the congregation.

Reaching Out: Bob Plank at New Covenant Baptist Church in State College.
Dave Sharp preaching at Smithfield Prison.

Mama Julia's Children: If you are a prayer partner for one of Mama Julia's children, a financial supporter of the Mustard Seed ministry, or someone who

is interested in the work in this orphanage in S. Africa, please meet in Room 105 (Family Circle) after the second service today for some important updates.

September 10, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance 193
S.S. Attendance 329
10:30 Worship Attendance 177
Jr. S.S. Offering \$17.01
Adult S.S. Offering \$7.00
Morning Worship Offering \$9,202.59

Week 35

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$412,105
YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$401,417
YTD Income - \$535,092
YTD Expenses - \$481,751

This Week's Events:

Monday, 9:00 a.m.-Mission Prayer Team at Valley View Terrace Act. Rm.

Upcoming Events:

September 24-26, Fall Renewal meetings with Richard Showalter, Sunday through Tuesday evenings on the theme of *Recovering and Living the Gospel*
October 2 – Communion Sunday
October 6-9 – Marriage Retreat
October 17 – Class Shepherds meet

Young adults: Meet Next Sunday, September 24th at Pam & Ivan's for lunch.

MYF grades 10-12: No MYF this week.

Moms: Bible Study Tuesday at 10. Jenny Goss leads discussion.

Group grades 7-9: Meet at the church at 4:15 Next Sunday, September 24th, for corn maze. Bring \$5.00. Pick up at 8:00 at the church.

Firewood: If you would be interested in purchasing firewood, cut and split, from our young adults, please contact Ivan or Pam at 363-6547 or 363-0857.

Children's Ministry Coordinator. Pray for God to guide our church family to the person he is calling to serve as our Children's Ministry Coordinator in a full time, salaried position. Interested persons are invited to contact Lyle Yoder at 717.994.2613 or a member of the Leadership Team for more information. Send your resume to kara@locustgrovemc.org.

Mabel Stayrook will be celebrating her 100th birthday on September 28th. Let's shower her with cards to show her how much we appreciate her! Please send cards to A213 Valley View Haven.

Gator Camp. Lyle Yoder will be leading a clean-up group to Gator Camp in Florida as soon as the ground dries up. The group will be running chainsaws and doing general cleaning up after Hurricane Irma. If you would like to go along, contact Lyle at 717.994.2613

If you are available to help lead the **childcare on Sept 22** at the Single moms Care and Support ministry meetings, please contact Ann at 717-437-4946. Thank you for caring and reaching out!

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.

Locust Grove is scheduled to cook & serve **Meals on Wheels** October 3, 5, 10, and 12. Items needed are cabbage, potatoes, fruit salad, jello salad, apple crisp, cake, and pumpkin pie. To donate, please call Rita at 935-5244. Thank you.

School Kits. 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 is 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. A container to place your coins for "My Coins Count" is set up beside the welcoming table in the foyer. Thank you.

Hearts & Hands Women's Dinner Conference: Pine Glen CMA church invites you to join them October 20th for a women's conference with speaker, Cherie Nettles. This is for women 18 and older. Dinner will be at 6:00 in the Family Life Center and Cherie will speak at 7:15. Cost of the meal is \$14.50. Seating is limited. Reserve your tickets by calling Nancy Taylor at (717) 348-5592 or Kimbra Weaver at (717) 542-9969 by October 8th. A love offering will be taken for the speaker.

Join the **Belleville Mennonite School community** as we celebrate 72 years of God's faithfulness to the school at the **Faith Promise Banquet** on Friday, October 6, at 6:30 PM. The Banquet will feature guest speaker, Rev Jonathan Yoder (Class of '70), a Concert Choir selection, and recognition for the classes that are celebrating their 50th and 60th class reunions, and special highlights about BMS today. There is no charge for the Banquet and delicious ham dinner that will be served, however an invitation to give to the Faith Promise Annual Fund at BMS will be presented. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to the school by September 22 by calling, 717.935.2184.

How do you face difficult times? The Family Circle class is beginning a study of the book *The Red Sea Rules (10 God-given strategies for difficult times)* by Robert Morgan and we welcome you to join us. We want to discover how to move from fear to faith, from panic to praise, right in the middle of the hard times, growing in our trust in God's sovereignty and care. If this sounds like a study you need/want in your life, we'd love to see you each week during the first service time slot in room 105. Our teacher is Brenda Zook. The books are already in the room, grab one and start reading!!

The Mennonite Heritage Center is sponsoring an **Amish Wedding meal** at Locust Grove October 21st 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 Sanford King or Marlin Yoder. If you have any questions, contact Sanford at 935.2783. We plan to sell all the tickets by the end of September.

Public Pizza event at McBurney Manor. There will be a public pizza event Saturday, September 23rd. This will include wood fired pizza, garden salad and homemade ice cream. Cost for the meal and concert is \$25 per adult, \$15 per student, and kids 10 and under eat free. Details can be found on the bulletin board, Facebook page and at McBurneymanor.com. Proceeds will be contributed to my Hope Alive tuition and also to Seth and Theresa Crissman. Thank you for your support, Nancy Yoder

Community Cruise: Bring your classic car, sleeper, bike, or rod, whatever you've got and join us as we do a Mifflin County Cruise! The cruise will be leaving from Locust Grove Mennonite Church on Sunday, September 24th at 12:15pm. The vehicles will travel 655 S to Huntingdon, stopping at Hoss's for lunch. The route will then come to Lewistown, returning to Belleville to finish back at the church.

Gator Wilderness Camp School announces its Annual Gator Camp Awareness Dinner to be held at Locust Grove Mennonite Church on Saturday, October 28, 2017, at 6:30 PM. Gator Wilderness Camp School is a school for boys, ages 10 years-16 years in southwest Florida. At Gator Wilderness Camp School, boys focus on building relationships, problem solving, and learning responsibility. There is no charge for the dinner, but a free offering will be lifted. All donations go directly to Gator Wilderness Camp School. Reservations do need to be made no later than October 22, 2017, and can be made locally by contacting one of the following Sara Hartzler (717-348-4136), Tami Peachey (717-437-0871), Larry Yoder (717-363-0475) or Lou Ann Yoder (717-363-0473), Ann Kanagy (717-437-4946), or Rose Kauffman (717-437-1295).

Prayer Guide for September 17 – September 23

17 Sunday – **Jer. 25:12** "*But when the seventy years are fulfilled, I will punish the king of Babylon and his nation, the land of the Babylonians, for their guilt," declares the LORD, "and will make it desolate forever.*"

18 Monday – **2 Kings 24, Daniel 1.** Pray for truth to emerge today during **Jim Lewis's trial** in Huntingdon. Pray for **Jane, Jeremy & Justin** in this difficult time and pray for reconciliation and peace.

19 Tuesday – **Daniel 2,3.** Pray for **people rebuilding their homes and lives** in Texas and Florida. Pray for the **staff at Gator Camp** in their clean-up and pray for a group from this area to go soon to help in this work.

20 Wednesday – **Jeremiah 29, 37.** Pray for **Richard Showalter** as he prepares to come for our fall renewal meetings on Sunday through Tuesday evenings. Pray for **Sherryl Yoder** as she meets with the worship team to prepare for Sunday. Pray for **Joanne Peachey** recovering from surgery and pray for **Hannah Sulouff** preparing for a major surgery on Oct. 10.

21 Thursday – **Jeremiah 38, Ezekiel 1:1-3, 2:1-9, 3:1-27.** Pray for **Kendra Fultz** in her work in the Philippines with the Daytecs. Pray for love and grace for her in her work as a nurse with the Filipino women she meets. Pray for **Ivan Yoder** and **Neil Renno** on a hunting trip with **Josiah Yoder** in Idaho.

22 Friday – **Mark 1:1-20** Pray for **Richard Showalter** as he prepares to come for our fall renewal meetings on the theme of "Recovering and Living the Gospel." The reading for today is in preparation for his Sunday morning sermon on understanding and living the theme of love in the Gospel.

23 Saturday – **Matthew 4:12-17; Acts 2:29-42 (Repentance)** Pray for open hearts to receive what the Spirit wants to teach us this weekend through Richard Showalter. The reading today is on the theme of repentance in preparation for tomorrow evening's sermon. Also pray for **Holly and Chisomo VanSciver** today on the weekend when they had originally planned to move to South Africa. Pray for grace and peace for them in adjusting to this change. Thank God for Holly's ongoing job and Chisomo's school arrangements and for God's plan to use them for His glory in this community!