

# Welcome To Locust Grove

October 8, 2017

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

Prelude: Dan Fry  
Worship Leader: Rob Plank  
Worship Team Leader: Glen Peachey  
Sermon: Nebuchadnezzar’s Gospel – Daniel 4, Max Zook

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

### Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds-

9:00 – Nate & Meagan Byler

10:30 – Julie and Lily Yoder

\*Next Week: 9:00- Curt & Amanda Yoder  
10:30- Matt & Whitney Reed

### Prayer List:

At Home: Cheston, Jen, Ella, & Oliver Hartzler  
Jesse, Nicole, Nathan, & Danielle Staley

At Valley View: Lois Yoder, A317 Valley View Terrace

Away: Dion, Naty, Gabriela, & Marcus Peachey

**Mission Spot:** Please pray for DC4K in Mifflin County happening each Monday evening at the Lumina Center in Lewistown, the JV YMCA in Burnham, and Locust Grove. Please pray for the leaders at each location, and for the children who come. Pray for wisdom and understanding for the leaders and for hope, healing, and restoration for the children as they learn to identify their emotions and turn to the Heavenly Father. And, praise God for inviting the children to come to Him!

**Reaching Out:** Ivan & Pam leading a couples’ retreat in New York.

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October 1, 2017

9:00 Worship Attendance ..... 189  
S.S. Attendance..... 352  
10:30 Worship Attendance ..... 180  
Jr. S.S. Offering ..... \$15.43  
Adult S.S. Offering ..... \$2.00  
Morning Worship Offering ..... \$10,173.51

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### Week 38

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$445,600

YTD Morning Worship Offerings - \$433,321

YTD Income - \$569,208

YTD Expenses - \$505,190

### This Week’s Events:

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

### Upcoming Events:

Next weekend, Oct. 15 & 16, Our Overseer, Mel Shetler will be with us to preach and meet with our staff and leadership team.

October 17 – Class Shepherds meeting

**Rick & Anjii Zook.** Thanks so much for praying for us. We truly do appreciate it. Your prayers do make a difference. This month, we thought we’d give you a peak into what we have “planned” for that week. Of course, we live in the land of the unexpected and sometimes things change unexpectedly. But Lord willing, this is what we are up to, what we are praising God for, and what we’re asking for prayer for. Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>- Lord willing, this week: Rick is working on Comprehension Checking with Lusi speakers for the end of 1 Corinthians and chapters 34 & 35 of Exodus. Anji is beginning to exegete the first half of 1 Timothy, and chapters 36 & 37 of Exodus. Our team is continuing to teach the new and young believers through Romans. Praise! We had a good change of pace away from the tribe, praise that we had a chance to have a little down time as a family, praise that we got to talk to our Missionary Support Team as if we were right next door! Anji & Kira got to fly on the Kodiak for the first time, as another NTMA helicopter pilot is being trained, and our family wouldn’t all fit on the helicopter any more. Praise God for pilots willing to fly us to remote places! Pray for us as we return to a “regular” schedule of school and office work; Pray for us to have perseverance, right attitudes and that even in the monotonous details of everyday life, in whatever we do, we would glorify God.

**MYF**: grades 10-12: Meet at the church 7:15 for bible study and games. Guys bring a snack and girls bring a drink.

**GROUP**: grades 7-9: Meet at the church from 6-8 on tonight, for Bible study and games. 8th and 9th grades bring snack-7th grade bring drink.

**Young Adults**: No young adults at Pam and Ivan's today.

**Mom's Bible Study**: Tuesday at 10 am in the nursery. Jenny Goss will be leading a discussion on minor profits.

**LADIES**: **You are invited** to an evening of fellowship and dessert at Pam's House hosted by the Women's Ministry Team beginning at 6pm on Friday, October 20th. Wear comfy clothes. Games, coloring and fellowship and a brief devotional are on the agenda. If you are interested in joining us please contact Pam at 717-363-6547 by Monday, October 16th. **Space is limited.**

**Ladies "NEW"**: A new bible study will begin Thursday, November 2nd. We will be offering this at both 1 pm and 7 pm and will meet every other Thursday (for a total of 6 meetings) in the Encourager's Sunday School Room. We will be using the study material of Beth Moore titled "**The Quest**". A study and journey to deeper intimacy with God and prayer. Please join us. Sign-up sheets are on the Women's Ministry Board. Any questions please contact Pam at 717.363.6547.

**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.

**Gator Camp Cleanup Trip**: The group plans to leave for Florida on October 14 – 22 to help clean up at Gator Camp from Hurricane Irma. If you would like to go call Lyle at 717.994.2613.

**Parents**: Please engage your children in discussions about Sunday school. Ask about the lesson content, behavior, other students, etc. Encourage them to be respectful, to listen to the lesson the teacher has prepared, and to participate and ask questions. Talk with their teachers. Ask how your child is doing. Give the teacher some insight into your child. We want Sunday school to be a positive experience for everyone.

**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.

**Quilts**. At their sewing group on Tuesday the women completed two quilts which are being displayed from our balcony this morning. The quilts, a Broken Star, a crib Teddy Bear, and a Log Cabin, will be donated to MCC for their annual relief sale next spring in Harrisburg.

**Grief Share**: If you have interest in being part of Grief Share please contact Ivan at 717.363.0857 or Pam at 717.363.6547 by Sunday, October 22nd to express your interest.

**Juanita Byler is looking for an individual to help her clean nursery toys**. It can be a young adult to a Grandmother. It will take 2-3 hours, preferable morning, and we can have the nursery cleaned. If you could give a few hours of your morning to help her do this for our young parents and children, please let her know. Would like to do it end of October or beginning of November. 717-994-6916.

**Samaritan's Purse**: We will be collecting money and shoeboxes for Samaritan's purse. Please have them to the church by November 12<sup>th</sup>. No candy or toothpaste in the boxes this year. Shipping is \$9.00 a box (see envelopes on table in foyer. Questions, call Kaye at 717.437.0289.

There is a **MCC work day** planned at the Resource Center in Ephrata, PA for Thursday, October 19, leaving Locust Grove at 6:30 AM. Please sign on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board outside the fellowship hall if you are interested in going. We will be taking the school kits that day so please have your kits placed here at the church by Sunday, October 15. Thank you.

**Hearts & Hands Women's Dinner Conference**: Pine Glen CMA church invites you to join them October 20<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup>. A love offering will be taken for the speaker.

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 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.

**Backyard Ministries:** Fall has arrived and it is hat and gloves time for Backyard Ministries! Choose a tag from the tree in the lobby that includes the size and gender of a child in need. Place the hat and gloves in a baggie. Be sure to include the tag from the tree. Contributions should be placed in the box under the table by October 29. Thank you for your support of this vital ministry.

**Calling all quilters from beginner to expert!** Fall quilting for the annual BMS Auction will be held Oct. 9-13 at Oakwood Centre, Valley View. If you have a quilt top to be donated for quilting please contact Juli Sunderland (814-667-2511), Jewel Peachey (717-667-9308) or Michelle Byler (717-935-5485).

The **Annual Gator Camp Awareness Dinner** will be at Locust Grove on Saturday, Oct. 28th, at 6:30 PM. Gator Wilderness Camp School is a school for boys, ages 10 years-16 years in southwest Florida. At this school, boys focus on building relationships, problem solving, and learning responsibility. There is no charge for the dinner, but an offering will be taken to go directly to Gator Wilderness Camp School. Reservations do need to be made no later than October 22nd by contacting either 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).

**My card, My cause, MyNeighbor.** The new MyNeighbor credit card from faith based Everence Federal Credit Union helps you live generously through your everyday purchases. When you use the card, Everence donates 1.5 percent of your bill to the charity or church of your choice. Learn more at [everence.com/MyNeighbor](http://everence.com/MyNeighbor).

**Crossroads Pregnancy Banquet:** The annual Crossroads banquet will be held Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at Locust Grove. Come enjoy a delicious meal while learning about Crossroads and stories of help & healing. Our guest speaker will be Mike G. Williams who is both a nationally known speaker & writer. Reservations are required before October 17<sup>th</sup> and can be made by calling 717-242-0301.

## ***Prayer Guide for October 8 – October 14***

8 Sunday – **Daniel 4:34, 35.** *His dominion is an eternal dominion; his kingdom endures from generation to generation. All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?"*

9 Monday – **Daniel 6 & 9.** Pray for the widows in our church, including **Effie Hostetler** who is celebrating her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday today in her room at 321 Valley View Haven. Pray also for **Lois Yoder** and **Orpha Zook** as they continue to adjust to living at the Valley View Terrace.

10 Tuesday – **2 Chron. 36:22,23, Ezra 1, 2 & 3.** Pray for **Hannah Sulouff** today during a very major surgery at Hershey Medical Center. Pray for patience and discernment for the doctors, and pray for the Sulouff family members: **Bill, Wendy, and Rachel** as they support and care for **Hannah**.

11 Wednesday – **Psalms 126 & 147.** Pray for **Brian Renno** as he prepares with the worship team to lead worship this coming Sunday. Pray for **Mel & Edna Shetler**, our congregational overseer as he prepares to come and preach in our morning worship service on Sunday and then meet with our staff and leadership team.

12 Thursday – **Ezra 4 & Haggai 1 & 2.** Pray for God to guide our **search committee** and **Lyle** as chairman as they continue to search for someone to serve as our Children's Ministry Coordinator. Pray for God to guide us to the right person and pray for vision for the person God is calling!

13 Friday – **Zechariah 1 – 4.** Pray for families who have **recently experienced deaths: Joe and Kristin Diehl** after Kristi's father died and the **Zook family and Joyce Morris** after Elisha died last Monday. The funerals were both held last Friday morning.

14 Saturday – **Ezra 5 & 6.** Pray for **Floyd Hostetler** in his chemotherapy and **Bob Watts** in his radiation treatments. Pray for **Marci Jones** in her recovery from shingles and in dealing with her Multiple Sclerosis. And pray for **Kendra Fultz** in the Philippines teaching health classes at a local school.