

**August 26, 2018
Morning Worship Service**

Prelude

Duke Larson

Worship Leader

Ivan Yoder

Worship Team Leader

Sherryl Yoder

Sermon – Gerald Peachey

Baptism into Christ, Gal 3:26-27

5:00 Church Picnic at Creekside Pavilion

6:00 Worship and Baptism

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

Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds

9:00 – Lauren Reed, 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 Lauer

Prayer List:

At Home: Vi Pannebaker

Leon & Barb Miller

Valley View: Lois Yoder, A317 Valley View Terrace

Away: Clint, Marsha, Laura, & Eleanor Schwab

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MISSION SPOT: SEND in Teslin, Yukon, Canada: Sheldon, Cindy, Jedidiah, Annali, Caleb, and Malachi Sharp. Pray for the Sharps as they live, work, and share the gospel in their community. They plan to visit our area in the fall. Pray for ways we can show them our love and support.

REACHING OUT: Dave Sharp is preaching at Barrville Mennonite this morning and Mayard Beitzel is preaching at Allensville Lutheran this morning. Diane Snook will be leading a ladies' Bible study this afternoon at 1:30 in the Mifflin County Correctional Institution.



Welcome to our Worship Service! We are so glad you are here. Our morning schedule includes many class options for discussion during both of our morning worship services. Lists of classes are available on the information table in the welcome corner of our foyer.

August 19, 2018

9:00 Worship Attendance	172
S.S. Attendance.....	377
10:30 Worship Attendance	184
S.S. Offering	\$31.50
Morning Worship Offering.....	\$10,346

Week 34

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$380,655

Actual Morning Worship Offerings – \$371,737

This Week's Events:

Today, Sunday School Teacher Training in the gym following 2nd service

Tonight, 5pm- Church Picnic & Baptismal

Monday- DC4K Leaders' Orientation - Locust Grove Church 6:30pm-8pm

Tuesday, 7am- Men's Pursuit of God Bible Study in the Café

Tuesday, 6:30pm- Ephesians Bible Study

Upcoming Events:

September 4th- Ladies Sewing, bring your own lunch

Group Grades 7-9: Meet Sunday, September 9th at the 6:00pm at the church. Welcome 7th graders, guys bring a snack and girls a drink.

MYF Grades 10-12: Will not meet this week. We plan to kick off our new year September 5th with an evening at J. & Karen's.

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

Church Picnic & Baptism: We will meet this evening at 5:00 for a carry-in picnic at Creekside Pavilion. Hotdogs & paper goods will be provided, please bring a dish to share with the church family. Worship will start around 6pm with the baptism to follow for **Dennis Dittsworth, Madelyn Eby, Karina Renno, Miriam Stoltzfus, and David Yoder.**

CHURCH NEWS

MCC Work Day: Please save the date on October 18th for a workday at MCC resource center in Ephrata, PA. There will be more details closer to the date. Also, the health kits will be delivered on that date as well. If interested, please donate your items and place them in the box in the foyer. Items needed are: adult toothbrushes, large bars of soap, nail clippers, wide tooth combs, and dark hand towels (please make sure all items are individually packaged). Thank you!

Congratulations to Louise Byler for graduating from Penn State University with her BS from the College of Agriculture!

A **Community Car Cruise** will be leaving from Locust Grove on Sunday, September 9th at 12:30pm. All vehicles (and motorcycles) are invited, and encouraged to participate! The cruise will stop at Hoss's in Huntingdon for lunch around 1:30pm and then make their way back to Belleville.

Meals on Wheels: Locust Grove is scheduled to cook & serve Meals on Wheels September 4, 6, 11, & 13th. If you would like to help by contributing to these meals, please call Rita at 717-935-5244. We need cabbage, corn, potatoes, cookies, fruit salad, jello salad, peach cobbler, and cherry delight. Thank you!

Red Cross Blood Drive: The Red Cross will be here Wednesday, September 5th from 12pm until 6pm to collect blood. If you would like to donate blood, it would be wise to make an appointment before you come; as those with appointments are taken before walk-ins. Sally Clark would be happy to make an appointment for you anytime in the next week. You can find her standing in the hallway today & next week- or you can call her at: 717-250-9739. Thank you for supporting this important cause.

Lewistown Prayer Walks- August 30th. Belleville carpool meets at the church by 6:30pm, or meet at the Lewistown Bon-Ton parking lot by 7:00pm.

DC4K (Divorce Care 4 Kids) is a student support program for kids ages 5 – 12 years old whose families are experiencing separation/divorce. At DC4K kids are involved in activities, crafts, DVD dramas, music, and games all designed to help children deal with the emotions related to their family situations. If you know a child or children that is experiencing parents' separation/divorce, please share the following information with the family: DC4K is scheduled to run at **Locust Grove Church** from 6:30 PM – 8 PM each Monday from September 10-December 10 except for the Monday after Thanksgiving. The same program will also run at the **Juniata Valley YMCA** from September 10-December 10, and at the **Lumina Center**, 3rd Street, Lewistown from September 17 – December 17, 2018. Groups are limited to 10 children per group. For more information or to register your child, please call or text Ann at 717-437-4946.

CHURCH NEWS (continued)

Big & Littles Brunch: Ladies, whether you are a mom, grandmother, aunt, or mentor for girls ages 9-18 years old, you and your little(s) are invited to join us for a brunch on Saturday, September 22nd at 10am in the Locust Grove multipurpose room. Our topic will be focused on our individual uniqueness, identity, and beauty that comes from a transformed heart. Several activities will follow the brunch and a devotional. Sign-up sheet is on the women's ministry board. Please sign your name, followed by the number of girls and their ages attending with you. RSVP by Sept 16th. Any questions can be directed to Pam Yoder or Kara Kauffman.

NEXT SUNDAY: In recognition of **Labor Day**, you are encouraged to wear your "work clothes" to church next Sunday September 2. God calls us to shine his light everywhere and our workplace is no different. If you have a story of an opportunity you have experienced to shine that light in the workplace and that you would share as an encouragement to others, please contact Ivan.

Divorced? Separated? We can help! **DivorceCare** is a 13 week seminar/support group that can help a person heal from the hurt of separation or divorce. It's a warm, caring environment led by people who care and want to help attendee's find healing and wholeness, in the midst of their circumstances. One DC participant reported: "My life was pretty much in shambles when I began DivorceCare. This program has totally changed the direction of my life." We begin Monday, September 10 at 6:30, here at Locust Grove, in conjunction with DC4K. Do you know of someone who could benefit? Please pass this information on to them! Brochures are located under mailboxes. Contact: Glen @ 717-953-1881 or Yvonne @ 717-247-4915.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Sunday School Teacher Training: A reminder that the Sunday School teacher & helper training is today immediately following 2nd Service in the gym. Lunch is provided.

New Sunday School Year: Next week will start the new Sunday School Year. Children will be moving up to the next class, or if your child is 2, will be starting Sunday School next week! Please take a moment today to thank our amazing Sunday School teachers who have taught this year...we are very thankful for their commitment to teaching our children about Jesus! If you have any questions about which class your child will be in, please contact Kara at (717) 437-1473 or kara@locustgrovemc.org.

Children's Bulletin Codes: Ages 3-6 **MYBSW7** Ages 7-12 **YCKH86**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS (continued)

THANK YOU to all the amazing Sunday School teachers who have given their time to teach our children about Jesus this year! You are all deeply appreciated and we are grateful for you! If you see any of the Sunday School teachers this morning, please thank them!

Break-Out Session: We are in need of one break-out session leader for a rotation of once every 4 weeks. This would be from 11:15-11:45 in the second service. Break-out session leaders simply do an activity, read a story, and hand out snacks (snacks are provided). Please contact Kara Kauffman if you would like to serve in this way.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Valley View 50th Anniversary Celebration will be held Saturday, September 15th from 3-7pm. The program includes music by Sharon Wyland, Duke Larson, & Common Ground. Tickets are available at Locust Grove from Don Hartzler, Bob Templeton, Sherryl Yoder, and Ann Kanagy.

MOPS is meeting at the Big Valley Brethren in Christ Church every 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month, beginning September 27th. Mothers can come for a time of connecting and support from 9:30-11am. A nursery and children's program will be provided.

Not sure what to do with all that ZUCCHINI? Why not bake some zucchini bread (no nuts please) for Backyard Ministries? BYM says that families who receive the bread are very grateful and this opens the door to further ministry with these families. Items for children's snack bags are also needed: Nutri-grain bars (or generic brand), bags or packs of crackers, and small packs of cookies (no nuts or peanut butter). You may contribute at any time during the month. There is a box in the lobby for snack items and you may put the bread loaves in the kitchen freezer. The date for this month's contributions is Monday, August 27.

MISSION MOMENTS

Gator Camp, Florida- Gregg Kanagy: Dear Locust Grove Church Family: Hello from Gator Camp! Over the past week or so the Miccosukee group has been hiking the Florida Trail. The trip has gone well, but a boy or two made the poor decision to insert a berry in their ears (boys will be boys sometimes...) Chief Tyler is currently with the group taking the boys to the doctor and yes, one requires an ear, nose, and throat specialist. A week ago Josh Byler was diagnosed with cancer, surgery is scheduled for next Monday. As many of you know, Josh and Lori Byler have been a God-send to the daily operation of Gator Camp over the last several years **(continued)**.

MISSION MOMENTS (continued)

(Gator Camp continued) Living where we all do and the intensity of what we are called to do makes staff relationships feel a lot like family. Please pray for Josh and Lori. Our Savior and Lord has led us through many times of "deep waters and challenge" over the last nine years and we continue to depend on Him to provide us with his grace, peace, mercy, and strength.

Dublin, Ireland- Meredith Spicher: Hello Locust Grove! During the month of July, I was in Dublin, Ireland, working with Dublin Christian Mission. While there, I spent time helping with their homeless outreach at the Lighthouse. I also had the chance to work in their non-profit coffee shop, which helps to raise money for the mission. This was an amazing and eye-opening experience where I learned a lot about how to truly help people who may not want my help. Many of the people who came into the Lighthouse were suffering from drug or alcohol addiction. Our goal was to give them a hot meal, clothes/sleeping bags, and to show them the love of Christ in hopes that they will enter into a treatment program that we can set up for them. While working in the Lighthouse, I helped with food & clothes distribution, and even had the opportunity to pray with people in the prayer room and see them turn their lives over to Christ. After I returned from Ireland, I moved out to Milford, Iowa, and begin teaching PreK next week at Okoboji Elementary. God has been so faithful in this season of change and I am thankful for everyone who has supported me financially and through prayer.

Medical Missions in Philippines: Francis, Leah, Julia, Avea, and Justice Daytec: In the past five months, our family, team, ministry and home-church have experienced such a powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It has been nine long years of loving, discipling, pouring into our team and this past year has been the year of seeing fruit and deep roots finally appear. We have worked through deep inner healing and bondage-breaking with so many people this year and have seen people set free from addiction, demonic-possession, bondage, and healed of physical, emotional, spiritual wounds, and truly set free. As we walk through healing together, our team is now being empowered to minister to others. We go to churches, conferences, orphanages, prisons, hospitals and the Red-light district, laying hands on people, speaking blessing, and praying for healing. There are dramatic stories of healing unfolding, and many people meeting Jesus as He heals them. We continue to go into the villages bringing education and health care and are delivering lots of babies in our charity clinic (Four born this week). Our family is battling through illness this week again as there is a major Measles epidemic and Dengue outbreak here. Otherwise, we are thriving and love the life that Jesus has called us to. We also continue to need all of you, as you pray, love, and give. Thank you for continuing to hold us up- We could not continue to do this without you.

Prayer Guide for August 26– September 1

26 Sunday – “*You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ*”

27 Monday – Pray for **Ann Kanagy, Karen Goss and Lex Fogleman** and all the volunteers who plan to help with DC4K this fall. Tonight they all plan to meet for a leaders’ orientation.

28 Tuesday – Pray for the board and administration of **Valley View Retirement Community**. Pray for wisdom for board members who will meet tonight to continue to give direction to this local ministry to the elderly in this area. Board members from our church include Don Hartzler, Ann Kanagy, Bob Templeton, and Sherryl Yoder.

29 Wednesday – Pray for **Ivan** as he prepares a sermon for this coming Sunday and pray for **Abe** as he prepares for worship with the worship team. Also pray for **Max & Brenda and their family** on a planned family vacation at Ocean City, New Jersey this week. Surgery was postponed last week because of an insurance denial but is tentatively planned for Sept 10.

30 Thursday – Pray for the **teachers and students** beginning a new school year this fall at the Belleville Mennonite School. Pray for the **board and staff** as they provide overall guidance for the school.

31 Friday – Pray for several people who work hard behind the scenes at our church. Pray for **Heidi Yoder** in her new role as our church treasurer; **Charvin** as Church Janitor; **Randy, and L. Marlin Yoder** as they clean the building; and **Rita and John & Arlene** as they take care of landscaping outside the building.

1 Saturday – Pray for **teachers, helpers, and class shepherds** preparing to lead their classes during this new fall quarter and Sunday school year. Pray especially for the teachers of children who will be using a new curriculum this quarter. Pray for **Kara Kauffman** as she leads our children’s teachers in pointing their hearts towards Jesus and the Bible.

We are disciples of Jesus Christ, encouraging all people to become His fully devoted followers

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Please pray for our college students from Locust Grove as they begin their fall semesters! A list of what our young adults are doing outside of college will be printed shortly!

- ◆ Noah Anders- Shippensburg University
- ◆ Allison Besch- Penn State University
- ◆ Lucas Besch- Penn State University
- ◆ Kristyn Byler- Waynesburg University
- ◆ Kyle Derstein- Penn State University
- ◆ Hannah Diehl- Penn State University
- ◆ Anthony Fultz- Penn State University
- ◆ Mayah Jones- Malone University
- ◆ Blake Lyter- Penn State University
- ◆ Dean Martine- Penn Tech
- ◆ Axel Miller- Shippensburg University
- ◆ Cole Peachey- Penn State Altoona
- ◆ Rachael Spotts- Lock Haven University
- ◆ Jacob Yoder- Bloomsburg University
- ◆ Kaitlyn Yoder- Penn State University
- ◆ Latasha Yoder- Meredith College
- ◆ Melissa Yoder- Waynesburg University
- ◆ Peter Yoder- Virginia Tech
- ◆ Trenton Yoder- Slippery Rock University
- ◆ Rachel Zook- Millersville University