

**March 31, 2019  
Morning Worship Service**

**Prelude**

**Julianna Hartzler**

**Worship Leader**

**Ivan Yoder**

**Worship Team Leader**

**Theil Kauffman**

**Sermon – Max Zook**

**“Why did Jesus agonize in prayer?” Matt. 26:36-46**

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**11:15 Children’s Breakout** Session (Pre-K-Grade 2) in the **GYM**.

**Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds**

**9:00** – Ashley Newman, Sophia Plank

**10:30** – Julie & Lily Yoder

\*Next Week: 9:00- Darren & Judith Saldubehere

10:30- Danny & Nadya Peachey

**Prayer List:**

**At Home:** Tom & Sally Clark

John, Twila, Philip, Durrell, Sophia, & David Yoder

**Valley View:** Cora Byler, Rm 506, 4702 E Main St

**Away:** Dion, Naty, Gabby, & Marcus Peachey

Calle Villalengua 1515 OE5-195 y Sancho de Escobar, Quito, Ecuador

**REACHING OUT:** **Charlie Stump** is preaching at Mt. Union Presbyterian this morning. **Sam Detweiler** is preaching at First Baptist in Lewistown.

**MISSION SPOT:** Bible Study Graders for Gospel Echoes: **Karen Yoder, Rita Yoder, Joyce Kenepf, Mary (Paul) Hostetler, Jean Byler, Pat Yoder, Elsie Yoder, Sally Clark**

**Lewistown Prayer Walks- April 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>.** Please note the time change-meet at the Lewistown Bon-Ton parking lot at **7pm**.



**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.

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March 24, 2019

9:00 Worship Attendance .....	196
S.S. Attendance.....	352
10:30 Worship Attendance .....	187
S.S. Offering .....	\$19.02
Morning Worship Offering.....	\$12,510

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**Week 12**

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$140,064

Actual Morning Worship Offerings – \$134,704

**This Week’s Events:**

Today – My Coins Count Offering

Monday, 7pm – Leadership Team Meeting

Tuesday – Ladies Sewing, bring your own lunch

Tuesday, 7am – Men’s Pursuit of God Bible study in the café

Tuesday, 6:30pm – Colossians Bible Study resumes

**Upcoming Events:**

April 7 – Sunday morning Men’s Prayer Meeting

April 7 – Breakfast Fundraiser for Young Adult Trip to Echo Ranch

April 9, 6-9 p.m. – Cooking for Crowds training

April 16, 6:30 pm – Family Kids’ Club Easter Celebration

April 17, 7:00 pm – New Life Drama Company with Melvin Fischer

April 19, 7:00pm – Good Friday evening communion service

April 21, 6:30am – Easter Sunrise Service & breakfast

April 22 – Mom’s Time Away

**Group Grades 7-9:** Meet Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm for games and Bible study. Please bring your Bible! Girls bring a snack, guys a drink.

**MYF Grades 10-12:** Meet Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at the church at 6:15pm (6:30 at Ferguson Valley intersection) to travel to Shirleysburg.

**Young Adults:** Meet Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> after church at Ivan & Pam’s for lunch and discussion.

**Apple butter** for sale as a part of the young adult fundraiser for Echo Ranch. Jars can be found by outside of the library, pick one up today for \$5 a jar!

## CHURCH NEWS

Congratulations to **Matt & Jessica Geisinger** on the birth of their son, **Brantley Robert**, born Saturday morning, March 22.

**With Thanks:** Thanks for your prayers, visits, and concerns during my last hospitalization. It is nice to have a church family. - Ken Yoder

**Hay Donations** are needed to take to help farmers/ranchers that have been impacted by the severe flooding in Nebraska. Jay Spicher is organizing 3 tractor-trailers to deliver hay to Nebraska- any type of hay is accepted. Please call Jay at 717.437.4167 if you can donate.

A "**Cooking for Crowds**" training will be held at Locust Grove on April 9<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm. It will be presented by PSU extension office. We would encourage anyone else who is preparing food for large groups for ministries of the church or any other group to attend. There will be no cost to volunteers of LGMC. Please contact Becky Peachey or Greg Yoder if you have questions. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Save the Date:** New Life Drama Company will be performing here on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30pm. Plan to attend this fun-filled service that delivers the gospel through drama.

There will be a **hymn Sing** with residents of Valley View Retirement community on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:45pm in the Terrace Activities Room.

The next **Men's Prayer Meeting** will be Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am.

**Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> has been added as an additional day** for church directory pictures! Please sign up today on the paper **sign-ups in the foyer!** You can also schedule your family appointment online Mon-Fri. (*The website closes over the weekends.*) Go to the website for United Church Directories at:

<https://www.ucdir.com/schedule/login.php>

**Church login: pa838**

**Password: locustgrove**

**My Coins Count Offering** will take place today! This year, proceeds will benefit MCC's peace initiatives. Last year Locust Grove donated a total of \$314.18 in loose change! Plan to participate again!

**Mom's Time Away** will meet Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7pm at Joyce Staley's. Contact Pam with any questions at 717.363.6547.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

**Break-out Leader Needed:** We are in need of a Breakout Leader to serve approximately once a month. Breakout is in the second service from 11:15-11:45 in the gym. Kids in grades pre-k – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to meet in the gym for a brief activity & snack. Some examples would be a story time, a craft, or a short game. Snack is provided and a cart with craft supplies is also available. Please contact Kara Kauffman (717) 437-1473

**Mega Sports Camp** will be held June 10 – 14 at the Belleville Playground from 9:00-11:30. We are in need of huddle coaches, registration helpers, and people to volunteer to bring snacks. If you are able to help in any of these ways, please contact Kara Kauffman or there is a sign-up sheet on the Children's Ministry bulletin board. Just write your name, phone number, and area you would like to help and I will contact you. Thank you!

**Vacation Bible School** will be held June 23 – 26 here at Locust Grove from 6:30-8:00! The theme for this year is ROAR (Life is Wild, God is Good). We are in need of station leaders for crafts and games, volunteers willing to help with skits, snack, registration, and group leaders and helpers. If interested, please contact Kara Kauffman or there is a sign-up sheet on the Children's Ministry bulletin board. Just write your name, phone number, and area you would like to help and I will contact you. Thank you!

\*\*Summer events are a great way to minister to the children of this church and the community! It's a true blessing to watch the energy and excitement on their faces as they participate in fun activities while learning about Jesus! It refreshed my spirit and gave me a renewed appreciation of just how much God loves his children and all of us. Please consider joining us for this truly wonderful mission of ministering to children! ~Kara

**Family Kids' Club Easter Celebration:** You are invited to join us April 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:00pm for a Family Kids' Club celebration in the gym with crafts, a skit, and refreshments!! Come hear the greatest love story of all time as we celebrate Our Risen Lord!!

**Cupcakes Needed:** We are in need of cupcake donations for the April 16<sup>th</sup> family Kids' Club celebration. If you would be willing to donate, please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the Children's Ministry bulletin board. Thank you!

**VBS Supplies:** Yes, in the children's department, we are already thinking about summer (especially with the cold temperatures from last week)!! I will be updating the bulletin periodically with supplies we need for this year's VBS! So far we are in need of:

- toilet paper/paper towel rolls
- paper egg cartons
- large carpet tube roll
- big cardboard boxes (fridge-sized)
- baler twine

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Hay Donations** are needed to take to help farmers/ranchers that have been impacted by the severe flooding in Nebraska. Jay Spicher is organizing 3 tractor-trailers to deliver hay to Nebraska- any type of hay is accepted. Please call Jay at 717.437.4167 if you can donate.

The Belleville Fire Company is planning a **pizza buffet fundraiser** on Saturday, April 27 from 4:30 - ? at the BFC Activity Center (former Union Elementary School). For carry-outs, call 717-935-2412. Donations will be accepted and all proceeds will go toward a new electric sign.

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## *Prayer Guide for March 31 – April 6*

31 Sunday – “*Abba, Father,*” he said, “*Everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.*” *Mark14:35*

1 Monday – Pray for the **elders and pastoral staff** this evening in their April meeting. Pray for clarity in providing vision and working towards helping Locust Grove to be a healthy church being what God has called us to be.

2 Tuesday – Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us this month of April to see Jesus in a new way as we remember what all he experienced during the days leading up to his death and resurrection. Our communion service will be in two weeks, on April 19.

3 Wednesday – Pray for **Ivan** as he prepares to preach this coming Sunday morning in our series preparing for Easter. Pray for **Abe** as he prepares to lead our worship team and pray for **Max** as he prepares to preach and celebrate communion at Manbeck on Sunday.

4 Thursday – Pray for **Kara Jerman** serving with her REACH team at the Shekinah Foundation for homeless children in Ecuador.

5 Friday – Today on **Ann Kanagy's** birthday, let us thank God for her and **Quill** and pray for God to guide her in her role as the coordinator of our single parent family ministries in our church and community. This includes Divorce Care and the Single Mom's Support group.

6 Saturday – Pray for people in our church family with health needs: **Marci Jones, Joe Hartzler, Glen Yoder, and Dave Kauffman**. Pray for **Alice Miller** preparing for a knee replacement surgery Wed., April 10.

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