

**April 14, 2019
Morning Worship Service**



Prelude

Chloe Renno

Worship Leader

Drew Derstein

Worship Team Leader

Brian Renno

Sermon – Max Zook

“Why Do We Celebrate a Gruesome Death?” Heb. 2:14-18

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

Nursery: Infants through 3 year olds

9:00 – Hope Staley, Jada Eckley, Rebecca Peachey

10:30 – Joyce Staley, Hannah Diehl

*Next Week: 9:00- Susie Peachey, Quinn Renno, Natalie Yoder
10:30- Sharon Besch, Madeline Eby

Prayer List:

At Home: Sam, Salome, Simon, Natalie, & Dora Detweiler
Jim & Mid Yoder

Valley View: Twila Peachey, 415B Valley View Haven

Away: Glenn, Julie, Melanie, Erica, Merlin, & Leona Stauffer
8060 County Rd D, Eagle River, WI 54521

MISSION SPOT: YWAM in Cluj, Romania: Alin, Gabi, Melissa, Julia,
and Caleb Ciorogar

Lewistown Prayer Walks- April 18th. Please note the time change- meet
at the Lewistown Bon-Ton parking lot at **7pm.**

Elective Materials that you do not plan to keep can be turned in on the table
outside of the library!

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.

April 7, 2019

9:00 Worship Attendance	189
S.S. Attendance.....	371
10:30 Worship Attendance	249
S.S. Offering	\$33
Morning Worship Offering.....	\$11,068

Week 14

Budgeted Morning Worship Offerings - \$163,408

Actual Morning Worship Offerings – \$156,688

This Week’s Events:

Tonight, 6-8pm – Youth Worship evening at Kish Valley Grace Brethren

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

Tuesday, 6:30pm – Colossians Bible Study

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

Wednesday, 1-2pm – Probiotics Talk at Valley View

Wednesday, 7pm – New Life Drama Company with Melvin Fischer

Thursday – Saturday – Church Directory Pictures

Friday, 7pm – Good Friday Communion service

Upcoming Events:

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

April 22, 7pm – Mom’s Time Away

Group Grades 7-9: If you are interested in going to the Youth Worship night **tonight**, at Kish Valley Grace Brethren and need a ride, please talk to Ivan or Pam after church today! Next Group will be Sunday, May 5th from 6-8

MYF Grades 10-12: Will not meet this week- come support the New Life Drama Company on Wednesday at 7pm.

Youth Worship Night at Kish Valley Grace Brethren Church on Sunday, April 14th from 6-8pm. This is for all youth (7th-12th) to join in a unified night of experiential worship – with a free ice-cream party to follow the worship!

Thank you to all the Sunday school classes and donors who supported the young adult breakfast fundraiser last week! We appreciate your generosity!

CHURCH NEWS

Breakfast Casseroles & Coffee Cakes Needed for breakfast following Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 21st. Please bring your casserole baked and ready to eat. You can sign up on the bulletin board.

Elder Nomination Vote: On May 5 you will have the opportunity to name someone from our church family to serve as elder for a five year term, replacing Lyle Yoder. Please prayerfully consider this upcoming vote by reading 1 Timothy 3. Current elders are Lyle Yoder, Neil Renno, Drew Derstein, Mike Hartzler and Steven Peachey.

Elective Class Surveys: Class shepherds will be distributing surveys today for everyone to fill out regarding the elective classes that just finished. Please collect the completed surveys in the folder that is in your classroom.

With thanks: Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, visits, meals, and especially your prayers during my recovery from knee replacement surgery. God bless you all! – Dave Kauffman

All Ladies (ages 9-100) join us Sat. May 11th at 10am for a delicious brunch & time of mingling. Bring your gal pals & relatives as we talk about the influence of women in our lives. If you are interested in contributing to the menu, please see Pam or Kara! Sign-ups on women's ministry board!

Thank you to all who participated in the MCC project, **My Coins Count Offerings** the last two Sundays in March. Locust Grove raised a total of **\$690.87** in coin offerings this year, compared to \$314.18 raised last year!

What are you waiting for? I'm waiting for all those amazing **Connections articles** that you're writing about waiting! If you've been waiting for "one last reminder," this might be it! I'd like the articles by April 14 if possible. (Talk to me, I'm flexible!) Don't wait another day, get started- write now! I'm also looking for poetry or related artwork! Put your documents in my church mailbox or send to www.brendaebyzook@gmail.com

A work day at the MCC Resource Center for Locust Grove folks is planned for Thursday, June 6th. If you are interested in going (via church van) you may contact Brucette Metz at the Thrift Shop, 935-5233 or Becky Peachey, 250.6937. More information will be given at a later date.

Gospel Echoes Prison Ministry Teams will have their annual fundraiser banquet at Belleville Mennonite School on Monday, May 6 at 6:30pm. Tickets required, \$8.00, ages 5 and under are free. Available from Gerald and Pat Yoder, Samuel and Susie Peachey, Glenn and Karen Yoder.

Wednesday Night (April 17th at 7pm) Program: New Life Drama Company is a young adults traveling theater ministry that aims to encourage, edify, equip, and evangelize. We like to say that we are Saturday Night Live with a Sunday Morning Message bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ in the form of theater and speaking. Based out of Scottsdale, AZ we travel 355 days to about 200 churches out of the year. Come join us as we worship the Lord in Spirit and in Truth!

Last Call for Directory Pictures! Pictures are happening this week- There are **sign-ups in the foyer!** You can also schedule your appointment online Mon-Fri. (*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**

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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Palm Sunday: Today, the children in Junior Worship (Pre-K – 4th Grade) will be dismissed to come downstairs to the Junior Worship area at 9:50. They will be singing a special song and saying verses at the end of the first service and the beginning of the second. Please note, if your child attends first service Sunday school, they will be dismissed to you in the Junior Worship area when they are done singing in the second service (approx 10:50).

Family Kids' Club Easter Celebration: You are invited to join us, this Tuesday, April 16th 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! If you volunteered to bring cupcakes, please have them to the kitchen by 6:30pm, that evening, thank you.

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 – 2nd 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!

Sunday School Teachers & Helpers: Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 5th at 6:30pm. You are invited to a Sunday school teacher & helper refreshment time, featuring special guest, Ginny Westover, who serves as the Director of Christian Education and the Director of the Nursery & Preschool program at Lewistown Presbyterian Church. We will be discussing several topics related to children's ministry and will also have an opportunity to ask some of our own questions. Please join us (in the Encouragers Room #103) for this time of uplifting one another and sharing our own personal experiences related to ministering to the young children of our church and community. Desserts & coffee will be provided. Please RSVP to Kara at by May 3rd.

VBS Supplies: We are in need of the following supplies for our upcoming VBS. I will be updating the bulletin periodically with supplies we need. Thank you for your help with this!

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

Our community's **annual Days of Caring** will be May 2,3 and 4 when members of local churches work together to serve people in our community by cleaning their lawns, preparing flower beds, mulching, and painting. We have sign-up sheets on our bulletin board for you to volunteer to serve and also to invite a work team to your place. Contact Max with any questions.

Valley View Retirement Community announces the topic Dr. Paul Koberna will present at the monthly Health Talk meeting for April is "**Probiotics**". April's Health Talk will be held April 17 from 1-2pm in the Oakwood Centre at Valley View. Dr. Koberna, Nittany Valley Health Associates and Medical Director at Valley View Retirement Community, presents a monthly Health Talk from a variety of topics that are of particular interest to seniors and their families. The meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 1pm in the Oakwood Centre. The public is cordially invited. For more information, phone 717-935-2105.

Spring Encounter for Ladies, Men, and Teens will be held April 26-27 at the Blair County Convention Center featuring Duck Dynasty stars Alan & Lisa Robertson. More info can be found on the Women's Ministry Board!

Prayer Guide for April 14 – April 21

14 Sunday – *“The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest” Matthew 21:9*

15 Monday – Pray for **Max & Tami Peachey** and **Kent & Angie Knable** and their families after their mother, Aura Kay Miller died last week. The funeral was held on Saturday at the McVeytown Methodist Church.

16 Tuesday – Pray for the **families** and **all the participants** in tonight's Easter Kids' Club event. The main focus tonight will be a drama of the trial, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus with most of the characters of the story played by members of our church leadership team. Pray for children and their families to understand in a deeper way the Gospel message.

17 Wednesday – Pray for the **Drama Team** from Texas that will be sharing an evening service today. Pray for **Ivan** as he prepares an Easter morning sermon and pray for **Sherryl** as she prepares with the worship team.

18 Thursday – Pray today for **Alice Miller** recovering from a knee replacement surgery last week and pray for other people continuing recovery from surgery: **Ray Zook, Sharon Peachey, Dave Kauffman, and Joyce Yoder.**

19 Friday – Pray for **Max** and **Ivan** as they lead tonight's Good Friday evening communion service with feet washing as we celebrate the love and sacrifice of Jesus for us.

20 Saturday – Pray for our church family this weekend to experience the joy and power of the resurrection of Jesus this weekend and into tomorrow's services, beginning with a sunrise service at 6:30 a.m.

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