

CHURCH CALENDAR (please visit [www.maplegrovecm.com](http://www.maplegrovecm.com) for all events)

TODAY.....DECEMBER 26

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00am Worship Service

Sermon: "Weep and Rejoice" Text: Matthew 2:13-23 Pastor Mike Clemmer

Worship Leader: Chrisy W

NEXT SUNDAY JANUARY 2

9:00am Sunday School for all ages

10:00am Worship Service

Sermon: "In Search of a New Start" Text: Phil. 3:12-21 Pastor Mike Clemmer

Worship Leader: Matt Chambers

THIS WEEK....

Wednesday, Dec. 29 6:00am Men's Prayer @ Maple Grove

No Youth Group

Thursday, Dec. 30 Worship Practice

Saturday, January 1 2:00pm 60th Birthday Hymn Sing for Pastor Mike @ MG

Saturday, January 1 **HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022!**

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Thursday, January 6, 6:30- 8:30pm Bible Quiz Team Practice @MG

Wednesday, January 12, 7:00pm Finance Commission Meeting @ MG

Thursday & Friday, January 13 & 14 Men's Retreat @ Spruce Lake

Friday- Sunday, January 14-16 Jr. Hi Youth Retreat @ Spruce Lake

Monday, January 17 7:00pm Coordinating Body Meeting @ MG

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!**

12/26 Vernon Y

12/27 Mike C

12/28 Winston B

12/29 Becky B

12/30 Kaycee K

12/31 Seth E

1/2 Peter H

**ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS!**

12/30 Charlie & Sally M

1/1 Mast & Anna S (62!)

**STAFF HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Lead Pastor Mike Clemmer** office hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday; works from home on Tuesday, off on Thursdays. 610.593.9501 or 215.767.6582, [mclemmer@maplegrovecm.com](mailto:mclemmer@maplegrovecm.com)

**Worship Pastor Matt Chambers** office hours: Monday and Thursday, 610-593-9502; [mchambers@maplegrovecm.com](mailto:mchambers@maplegrovecm.com).

**Elders:** Arlin Kennel, Nolan King, Matt Ressler - Lead Elder, Mike Weaver

**Treasurer:** Sue N- [esnafziger@verizon.net](mailto:esnafziger@verizon.net) office hours: Wednesday morning

**Secretary:** Marilyn U- 610-593-6658; [info@maplegrovecm.com](mailto:info@maplegrovecm.com); office hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00-1:30; off Tuesdays. Please send all bulletin and Sunday morning announcements by **Thursday, Noon.**

**Preschool Director:** Wendy Dougherty: [maplegroveschool@gmail.com](mailto:maplegroveschool@gmail.com). 610-593-1159

# MAPLE GROVE MENNONITE CHURCH

DECEMBER 26, 2021

## OUR MISSION

*Loving God, Loving Others and Reaching Out*

Long after we take down  
the Christmas tree, and  
the sentiment of the  
season subsides,  
the real reason  
for the season  
remains – and  
His name is  
Jesus.



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## A WARM WELCOME TO EVERYONE!

To be included in church communications, please fill out a Connection Card on the back of the pew and hand it in at the Welcome Center.

Childcare facilities with live service streaming are available and located in:

**ROOM 106** (infants to 1 year) unstaffed crib nursery at the rear of the sanctuary.

### ROOM 102 CHILDCARE (AGES 1-4)

#### 8:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS

12/26 NO CHILDCARE

1/2 Sally, Liz & Sara M

#### 9:50 AM CHURCH TIME HELPERS

NO CHILDCARE

1/2 Judy K, Bree D

Rooms 102 & 106 are open and available for parents' use today.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS** for church time for up to age 10 (and guests) are labeled with your child's name and hanging on the foyer cart. Please return the bag to the hooks following the service each week. Contact the office with any questions.

**YEAR END GIVING NOTES** Please have all donations for the 2021 year in the office or given to Sue N **no later than today**. **Giving statements for 2021 will be sent by mail or emailed the week of Jan. 2.** If you do not receive yours or have problems accessing it online, please call Sue 610.416.6795. You may also pick up your 2022 offering envelopes at the Welcome Center or get information about how to give online.

**60TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** You are all invited to a Hymn Sing that Pastor Mike will be hosting in celebration of his 60th birthday which is December 27. The Hymn Sing will take place on Saturday, January 1 at 2:00pm at Maple Grove and will include songs that have impacted him throughout his life as well as some quartet music. Refreshments will be served following the hymn sing.

**MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE (MDS)** Following the deadly Midwestern tornadoes, MDS is monitoring the damage and determining when and where volunteers are needed most. If you are interested in going as a volunteer for immediate needs in the next 6 weeks, please go to [www.mds.org](http://www.mds.org), click on *MDS December Tornado Response* and fill out the **volunteer waitlist form** link written in orange text in the article or call the Lititz office @717.735.3536. Donations are also needed. Click on the donate button to direct your donation or send by mail to Mennonite Disaster Service, 583 Airport Rd, Lititz, PA 17543. If you would like to help organize a group from Maple Grove, please call the church office or contact Pastor Mike.

**THANK YOU** MG Family for the generous donation raised from the Pumpkin Olympic bake sale! The total of \$1396 will go towards fixing the roof of the youth center in Morelia and purchasing some games. Thanks for being a part in what God is doing in Mexico.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and blessed 2022!

With love, David & Dawnell G

## CHURCH DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS:

Joy S: Fairmount Homes, zip code should be Ephrata, PA 17522

Ken M: change phone # to 717.799.2976

## PRAYER LIST

Prayer concerns are listed for 4 weeks after which you may call the office to continue. Prayer concerns are shared weekly with those of our congregation committed to pray.

### Please pray for:

#### Maple Grove Leadership Team & Lay Ministers.

**Darlene G**– praise & prayer that her ear injury continues to heal well.

**Rodney K**– son of Dorothy, brother to Kent & Mike– continued healing following open heart surgery Dec. 10.

**Chris M** - son of Ruth M– continued recovery from Covid @ LGH.

**Rich & Sue R** - healing, strength & wisdom for Sue's cancer journey.

**Anna S**- healing for her leg wound.

**Randy U**, Mexico missionary– experiencing kidney transplant failure.

Follow his updates at [www.caringbridge.org](http://www.caringbridge.org); type in Randy U.

**Vernon U**– in rehab at Quarryville Pres. Home following a brief hospital stay.

### LOCAL MISSIONS

Bridge of Hope

Cornerstone Pregnancy Resources

Eastern Mennonite Missions

Maple Grove Preschool

Parkesburg Point

PCCO (Parkesburg Community Churches Outreach)

Southern Chester County Young Life

Welsh Mountain Home



### MISSIONARIES

Nathan & Laurel C - World Team in Africa

Garry & Ruth - EMM in Israel

David & Dawnell G - Commission to Every Nation in Mexico

Kandace G - EMM in Cambodia

Mike & Sharyn K - Powered to Move in Texas

Randal K - Modern Day in Italy

Dale & Kathy M - YWAM Virginia & Chile

Jon & Amanda R - CRU West Chester University

Randy & Melanie U - Reach Beyond in Mexico (see prayer concern above)

Mentor & Erinda Z - Eurasia Partners in Albania

December 19 Attendance: 205

November Offerings: \$33,526.00