

CHURCH CALENDAR (please visit www.maplegrovemc.com for all events)

TODAY...First Sunday of Advent

November 29 Pastor Mike Clemmer
Sermon: "Beauty Comes Through Brokenness"
Text: Philippians 2:3-11
Worship Leader: Matt Chambers

NEXT SUNDAY....Second Sunday of Advent

December 6 Pastor Mike Clemmer
Sermon: "Who is Your Lord?"
Text: Luke 2:1-3
Worship Leader: Matt Chambers

THIS WEEK.....

Wednesday 6:00am Men's Prayer @ Maple Grove
7:00pm Youth @ Maple Grove
7:00pm Young Adults

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Sunday, Dec. 13 11:30-2:30pm Jr. Hi Activity @ Maple Grove
Sunday, Dec. 13 2:30pm Christmas Caroling- meet at Maple Grove
Thursday, Dec. 24th Christmas Eve service online only

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!

12/03 Dawson S, Violet Y
12/4 Marshall K
125 David U (Randy & Melanie)
12/6 Anthony L

STAFF HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor Mike Clemmer office hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday; Tuesday (works from home), off on Thursdays. mclemmer@maplegrovemc.com; 610.593.9501 or 215.767.6582

Music Minister Matt Chambers office hours: Monday, Friday, and works from home on Wednesday mornings. mchambers@maplegrovemc.com; 717-593-9502

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

Treasurer: Sue Nr- esnafziger@verizon.net office hours: Wednesday morning

Secretary: Marilyn U- 610-593-6658; mumble@maplegrovemc.com; office hours: Monday, Wednesday Thursday, Friday: 8:30-1:00; off Tuesdays. Please send all bulletin and Sunday morning announcements by **Thursday, Noon.**

Preschool Director: Wendy Dougherty: maplegrovepreschool@gmail.com. 610.593.1159

MAPLE GROVE MENNONITE CHURCH
EVERYONE WELCOME!

NOVEMBER 29, 2020

OUR MISSION

Loving God, Loving Others and Reaching Out



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Church mailboxes may be used again.
- All periodicals are in the magazine rack opposite the mailboxes.
- Conference news & current missionary newsletters are posted on the website and print copies are in the missionaries' individually marked mailboxes.

SANCTUARY SEATING You are encouraged to move forward and use the front sanctuary benches and reserve the back ones for our visitors.

THANK YOU for your generous donations to the Octorara Area Food Cupboard! Maple Grove donated 1094 lbs. of food and \$1670 in cash and gift cards. The food bank is very appreciative. Our next collection will be Dec. 20.

BALLOTS FOR CONSTITUTION CHANGES. Ballots are at the Welcome Center and downstairs in the kitchen area with boxes for completed ballots. Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 6.

Note two changes:

1. Youth Lay Minister is no longer required to serve on Gift Discernment.
2. Youth Sponsors will be selected through Gift Discernment in conjunction with the Youth Lay Minister. The ballot also includes some affirmations for church positions.

GIVING TREE Be sure to stop by the giving trees in the entryways upstairs and downstairs. We would like to bless families from The Parkesburg Point and Cornerstone Pregnancy Center with some Christmas gifts. You may pick a paper ornament off the tree which will list the gift item. Gifts need to be returned **UNWRAPPED BUT WITH THE ACCOMPANYING TAG** by [Sunday, Dec. 13.](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS Sunday, December 13. Everyone is invited to meet at MG @ 2:30 to go Christmas caroling.

BIBLE QUIZZING 2021 for 7th graders—21 years old. Quiz season runs from mid-January to the end of March. A signup sheet is at the Welcome Center. Contacts are Brian & Lisa Harnish or Chris & Megan Beiler.

PRAYER CONCERNS

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 who commit to pray.

Please pray for:

Maple Grove Leadership Team & Lay Ministers.

Barry Hostetter Family— Barry went to be with Jesus on Nov. 9.

Dorothy King – recovering from emergency intestinal surgery

Dave & Kent Lantz— continued healing from their liver transplant surgeries

Rich & Sue Ressler— strength as Sue continues chemotherapy

Jon & Amanda Ruch – Cru leaders dealing with Covid over Thanksgiving

Anna Stoltzfus - healing from her leg wound

Erwin & Robin Stoltzfus & extended family —grieving the sudden death of Erwin's brother, Jim on November 7.

Frontline workers in the pandemic

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 Life in Africa

Garry & Ruth - EMM in Israel

David & Dawnell G - Commission to Every Nation in Mexico

Kandace G – EMM in Cambodia

Lindsey G - CRU West Chester University

Mike & Sharyn K - Powered to Move in Texas

Randal K Family—Italy

Dale & Kathy M - YWAM Virginia &

Jon & Amanda R - CRU West Chester University

Randy & Melanie U - Reach Beyond in Mexico

Mentor & Erinda Z - CRU in Albania