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Announcements

MT. PLEASANT MENNONITE CHURCH

"Reaching Up, Together, Out!"

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If you are visiting with us today, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary. Please join us again next Sunday.

9:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Nina Troyer Adult Sanctuary

Mike and Tina Harrell Young Adult

Upstairs Room

Christina Mast Youth

Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School Team Children

Fellowship Hall

Prelude

Dave Zook

10:30 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE

Welcome & Opening Prayer Pastor Nevin

Opening Hymn Hosanna Team

Announcements & Scripture Mike Morris

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Worship Music Hosanna Team

Message Pastor Nevin

> "BIG Questions: Where am I going?" Luke 16:19-31

The Leadership Committee is asking each member of our congregation to affirm or not affirm John Miller and/or Bob Walker to serve in the role of Elder on the Spiritual Oversight Council. Please indicate your response on the affirmation form, which may be found in the church fover or your church mailbox. Please return the form to the white RESPONSE BOX in the fover by Sunday, February 4.

Pastor Nevin will be leading a Faith Formation Class for youth who are considering baptism. The class will begin on Sunday, February 4, in the evening at the church. The time will be determined in the coming weeks. The class will meet every Sunday thru March 24. Those who complete the class and desire baptism, may be baptized on Easter Sunday, March 31. Please let Pastor Nevin know if you would like to be part of the class. If any adult desires baptism, please speak with Pastor Nevin and other baptism preparation arrangements will be made.

YOUTH! - Join us on Sunday, January 28, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., at the church. We will have a devotion with Pastor Nevin followed by indoor/outdoor games and snacks. The Mt. Pleasant Mennonite Church Youth Group is for youth in grades 6 -12.

> **BOOST - A Christian Business Retreat** From **SURVIVE** to **THRIVE** March 7-9, 2024

Blue Gate Garden Inn & Conference Center Shipshewana, Indiana

What is BOOST Retreat and who is it for?

Each year, in March, Rosedale Network of Churches hosts an inspirational retreat for business leaders.

The purpose of the retreat is to provide a setting for Christian business people, as disciples of Christ in the marketplace, to experience fellowship, encouragement, training and networking opportunities.

Find more information & register online at: https://rosedalenetwork.org/ rosedale-network-events/boost-retreat Hotel reservation deadline is January 31.

SAVE THE DATES

February 14 - Fellowship dinner at church, more details to follow next Sunday.

MPCS Yard Sale - February 24

Proceeds support the 8th grade mission trip to Puerto Rico. Donations are being accepted and may be dropped off on the table outside the school gym. For larger donations, please contact Christina Keffer (ckeffer@mtpleasantchristian.org)

Ministry Team Sunday Schedule

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Greeters

Mike and Joy Morris

Usher

Bob Walker

Audio

Jason Zook

Video

John Miller

Facebook

Colton Keffer

Nursery Attendant

Grace Mast and Randi Webb

Sunday, January 28, 2024

Greeter

Ashley Yoder

Usher

Derek Christensen

Audio

Jerry Wood

Facebook

Steven McVicker

Nursery Attendant

Samantha Keffer and Raelynn Keffer

Leadership Committee

Nevin Mast - Lead Pastor Lynn Keffer - Administrative John Miller - Community Life Inga Mast - Missions & Evangelism Nancy Deal - Worship Bob Walker - Spiritual Growth

Leadership Committee meets the second Thursday of each month. Please contact Pastor Nevin if you have any agenda items you wish to have heard.

Prayer and Praise

Junie Miller went to be with the Lord on January 9. Let's remember his family in prayer as they grieve his passing.

Troy Miller, Keith and Laurie Miller's son, had appendectomy surgery on Jan. 17. May the Lord bless him with a swift recovery.

Let's cover **Betty Vanderploeg** in prayer. She was recently diagnosed with colon cancer, and her surgery has been delayed due to a liver biopsy. Let's continue to cover Betty in prayer as she recovers from her recent biopsy and anticipates receiving a date for her upcoming surgery.

Carole Butler, Kurt Jarchow's aunt, has returned to live with his family following rehab. care, but she continues to be very weak. May the Lord strengthen her and renew her mind and body.

Judy Turner is facing several health issues. Let's remember her in prayer.

Let's continue to cover **Nancy Deal** in prayer as she recovers from a knee replacement.

On Jan.10, **Dale Mast** had a successful knee replacement surgery. Following the surgery, Dale wrote, "Today is day 5 since the knee replacement surgery of last Wednesday. Thursday was the most painful day when the nerve block wore off. There is less pain now but there is still a lot of stiffness. Saturday night was the first night I slept all night long. The other nights I could not get comfortable in any position. So now my daily routine is walking a lot with the walker, doing 3 sets of exercises, and icing the knee and elevating it to keep the swelling down. I am fully confident that God knows the exact timetable of the healing process; day by day, week by week, and month by month. The word "trust" is prominent in my heart these days. Thanks for your prayer support."

Jamie Bradshaw's sister, **Jonna**, has been discharged from in patient therapy. She will continue to have therapy at home. Let's remember her in prayer.

Please continue to remember Caia Mast in prayer. She underwent knee surgery on Jan. 12, to repair cartilage and bone damage in her left knee.

As the conflict in **Israel** continues, let's not become weary in praying for peace in Jerusalem.

Let's continue to lift Jim Leader, LaVerne Weaver, Opie Besso, and Ken Kurtz to the Lord in prayer as they battle cancer.

January is Sanctity of Human Life month. Let's cover Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater in prayer as they carry out the work of this vital, life saving ministry.