Conestoga Mennonite Church



Joyfully Living Christ's Story to Benefit Others

November 1, 2020 Number 44

Teaching the Word (9:30 a.m.) Classes available for all ages to connect with God & one another Morning Worship (10:30 a.m.)

2020 Theme: "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are already doing." I Thes 5:11

Prelude Cheryl Heineman
Worship in Song Worship Team led by Krista Petersheim
Greetings of Peace

Welcome & Community Life

Elder Austin Unruh

Dismiss Children K-Gr 5 for Children's Church

Worship Equipment Upgrades Dir. of Worship Kristy Unruh

Our Living HiStory Prayer

Hymn

The Word of the Lord Rom 6:11-18

Message: "The Blessing of Sin" Elder Nelson Beam

Response Hymn

Benediction

Giving: You are welcome to give tithes and offerings through our on-line giving option, stamped mail or lobby box. Thank You!

Message copies are on our Sound Booth.

Today:

- 'Grab & Go' coffee, tea & donuts available from 9-9:30 AM
- Greeters Gary Stoltzfus & Nevin Martin
- Prayer Ministry Austin & Kristy Unruh
- Nursery Dana Ebert & Tina Essick
- Children's Church led by Lois Ann, Cameron & David Heineman, M4:6a

~This Week at CMC^

- Tuesday, 9:15 AM Neighbors, "Give Thanks Brunch" Contact Tina to register
- Wednesday, 8:30 AM 2:30 PM Sewing Circle
- Friday, 9 AM Prayer Time

Next Sunday:

- "The Importance of Readiness" from Mth. 25:1-13 by Pastor Bob
- Nursery Dani Cupo & Bev Smucker

~Conestoga Notes~

Youth Auction: Today is your final opportunity to have your item(s) published in next weeks Nov. 13 Youth Auction sales brochure. Cards are on our lobby shelf and once completed, can be dropped in the offering box. Persons wanting to participate in on-line bidding on auction night, please notify Austin for the link.

Recommendations: Pastoral Team is grateful for the quality Elder candidates and the good work of our Constitution Review Team. We discerned to take another two weeks of prayer and discernment before forming recommendations for your response. Thank you for your prayer as we do healthy processing of these agendas.

Worship Equipment: We welcome member counsel to the proposal of our Team (Kristy, chair; Dan, Brendon, Greg, Gareth and Pastor Bob). Finance Committee and Pastoral Team approved recommending this proposal to you for a vote of response Nov. 8-15. Representatives will visit SS classes next week to address questions.

Congratulations to Heidi Kurtz, daughter of Arlan & Louise, for her engagement to Austin Beachy. An early spring wedding is planned.

Rock-A-Thon: The Cancer Support Group is pleased to announce the fundraising total of \$3,195! Thanks to everyone who participated and to those who sponsored!

We are grateful to Cheryl Heineman for coordinating our **fall festival décor** and encourage generous food pantry donations of non-perishable items to be placed in the platform trunk during November!

Record in your directory, Sandy Bailey's new cell number - 717-371-4579.

Thanks:

- Cindy and I are deeply grateful for your gracious words, prayer commitments and gifts during Pastor Appreciation month. We are humbled to serve God's purposes with such generous partners!
- Thank you to the congregation for sharing your encouragement and well wishes as I concluded my time as Youth Pastor at Conestoga. Thanks also to Tina and her kitchen team, and to Kristy & Lois Ann for your leadership and planning of the fellowship meal honoring my time. I am blessed to have served at CMC!
- Thank you for your prayers, concern, cards, calls and encouragement before, during and after knee surgery. Our church family is a blessing to us! "Wes & Lois Boyer"

~Looking Ahead~

Nov. 15 - message by Elder Austin Unruh

~Prayer~

Continue in prayer for members seeking healing:

- Steve anticipating treatment at Reading Hospital beginning 11/3 for pancreatic cancer. Pray healing for Steve and blessing for Gail and their boys as they support him.
- **Wes** receiving physical therapy following his successful knee surgery. Pray stamina and full healing! Pray for patience as they quarantine.
- Earl Snyder scheduled for abdominal hernia procedure on Nov. 5. Pray all would go well, leading to full healing.

Praise God for another successful drive through food pantry distribution Tuesday enhanced by several dozen TVHS Honor Society students. Pray for **Howard and Carol and the TVFP Board** as their leadership grants us opportunity to host this community ministry with excellence!

Praise God for consensus to next Sunday recommend to you **the work of our Worship Equipment Upgrade Team**. Pray God would bless our efforts to serve His purposes in support of our musicians with the equipment they are requesting as they serve us!

Pray for clarity, calm and appropriate control of responses in our **national election**. Pray we would be Christ's light and God's salt of righteousness, rooted in our trust in God and our certainty of His oversight of all things.

This week we highlight our budget mission investment in **Mennonite World Conference** as they network the global Anabaptist community to enhance gospel impacts.

~October 25, 2020 Reports~

Attendance: Sunday School - 66; Worship - 93*
*Attendance does not record online participation
General Offering: \$3,708; Designated Offerings:

Tuition Assistance - \$205; Homes for Christ - \$190; Still Waters - \$50

Our Ministers: Every Member

Pastoral Team: Ministry Council:

Pastor Bob, Chair Pastor Bob, Chair

Nelson Beam, Elder, Vice Chair

Bob Horning, Elder

Dir. of Chr. Ed.: Marilyn Beam

Dir. of Fellowship: Tina Essick

David Heineman, Elder

Dir. of Mission: Justin Kolb

Jerry Petersheim, Elder

Dir. of Stewardship: Lyle Essick

Sonya Stoltzfus, Preaching Elder

Dir. of Worship: Kristy Unruh

Austin Unruh, Preaching Elder

Ruth Miller, Deacon Elder

Church Staff:

Pastor: Bob Petersheim: leadcmc55@gmail.com, 610-507-8862 (cell)

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Sewing Circle meets here at Conestoga the first Wednesday of every month to quilt, knot comforters, put kits together—all for charity! Thank You!

Welcome

on November 1, 2020, to

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