

A black and white woodcut-style illustration of a rocky landscape. In the center, a waterfall flows over a rocky ledge. Above the waterfall, a large, textured fabric or tent-like structure is draped across the scene. The foreground is filled with large, craggy rocks. The overall style is detailed and textured, using fine lines and cross-hatching for shading and texture.

*“Then  
will the  
lame  
leap  
like a  
deer,  
and the  
mute  
tongue  
shout  
for joy.”*

Isaiah 35:6

Welcome to  
**Lauvers Mennonite Church**

*“Our mission is to seek the lost and nourish the found  
through the work of Jesus Christ.”*

**February 25, 2018**

**WELCOME** to our visitors today! Please join us in worshipping the Lord, and in experiencing His love, grace, truth and presence. God bless you, in this service and in the coming days!

**Greeters:** Dale & Gladys Gingrich

**Sunday School:** *I Am a Light*, Ephesians 5:8-14

Worship Service

Nursery: Janessa/Lauren

Worship Leader: Nevin Glick

Worship in Song: Eric's group

Offering

Message: Bob Plank

Last Sunday

Attendance: 91

Offering: \$2,031.00

Next Sunday

Greeters: Ken & Jenna Gingrich

Message: Elvin Ranck

Upcoming Sermon Schedule

March 11 – Mark Yoder

March 18 – Elvin Ranck

March 25 – Gary Krabill

April 1 – Elvin Ranck

April 8 – Matt Funk

## Announcements

1. Tuesday evening, **March 6, is an opportunity to bless the residents at Richfield Senior Living.** Marilyn Swartz is leading the music and welcomes anyone to help. Please let her know if you are able to sing.
2. **Directory update** for Michael & Trisha Graybill. Their new address is: 539 Evergreen Lane, Mifflintown, PA 17059.
3. Update your 2018 church calendar. Instead of congregational meetings in July and December, put them on May 9 and November 14.
4. **Everence Sharing Funds provided \$312.50** in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Delbert Swartz serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact him for more information.
5. **Rosedale Bible College** invites high-school students in grades 10-12 to join us for Discover Rosedale, March 1-3. Students can attend classes, join in student activities and chapel services and have their questions answered by faculty and staff. The event is free, and pre-registered groups of three or more qualify for partial fuel reimbursement. Register online at [rosedale.edu](http://rosedale.edu), or email [admissions@rosedale.edc](mailto:admissions@rosedale.edc) for more information. Registration closes at midnight tonight!
6. The librarians have been working at organizing and cleaning out our library. There is a table in the back of the sanctuary with the books that we are getting rid of, so **please help yourself to any of them.**
7. Upcoming **JMS events** – March 9, 5:30 p.m. **Faith Pledge Banquet** at the Bunkertown Church of the Brethren featuring former Penn State football player, Ryan Keiser. If you didn't receive an invitation, see the one on the bulletin board. JMS is holding a **Spring Open House March 21 & 22** from 9-2, and also on March 22 from 6:30 – 8 PM in conjunction with our Science/Art/Tech Ed Fair.

Happy Birthday to: Tanner Martin on March 1

Cody Martin on March 3

*The highways of history are strewn with the wreckage of nations that forgot God.*

## *A Humble Prayer*

*"Lord, help me to admit when I am wrong, and make me easier to live with when I am right."*

### Upcoming Events

- ~Feb. 27 – Understanding Salvation class, 7 p.m.
- ~Mar. 3 – Stewardship University at Lancaster
- ~Mar. 6 – Singing at Richfield Senior Living, 7 p.m.
- ~Mar. 9 – JMS Faith Pledge Banquet at Bunkertown COB, 5:30 p.m.
- ~Mar. 21 & 22 – JMS Open House
- ~Mar. 30 – Communion service, 7 p.m.
- ~Apr. 1 – Easter Sunrise Service, 8 AM, breakfast, 9 AM

### The Prodigal Son

Feeling footloose and frisky, a featherbrained fellow forced his fond father to fork over the farthings and flew far to foreign fields and frittered his fortune, feasting fabulously with faithless friends.

Fleeced by his fellows in folly and facing famine he found himself a feed flinger in a filthy farm. Fairly famishing, he fain would have filled his frame with foraged food from fodder fragments. "Fooley, my father's flunkies fare far finer!"

The frazzled fugitive forlornly fumbled, frankly facing facts. He fled forthwith to his family. Falling at his father's feet, he forlornly fumbled. "Father, I've flunked and fruitlessly forfeited family favor."

The farsighted father, forestalling further flinching, frantically flagged the flunkies to fetch a fatling from the flock and fix a feast.

The fugitive's faultfinding brother frowned on fickle forgiveness of the former folderol.

But the faithful father figured, "Filial fidelity is fine, but the fugitive is found! What forbids fervent festivity. Let flags be unfurled! Let fanfares flair!"

-Tal D. Bonham

### Our Church Council

#### **Elders:**

Eric Brubaker – 717-363-7014  
Mike Clark – 717-348-3347  
Nevin Glick – 717-320-2612  
Elvin Ranck – 717-363-1077

#### **Deacons:**

Neil Glick – 717-513-2717  
David Martin – 717-363-7081  
Delbert Swartz – 717-363-6844



## Power House of Prayer

*The sun lives in the heavens where God placed it. It bursts forth like a radiant bridegroom after his wedding. Psalm 19:4b&5(NLT)*

### **Praise God for:**

- \*Warm sunshine Tuesday and Wednesday this week.
- \*Billy Graham's lifetime legacy of evangelism around the world.

### **Pray for:**

- \*Anna Mae Fultz dealing with health issues.
- \*Wisdom/discernment for treatment of migraines for Stephan Watts.
- \*Ongoing health issues with both Lloyd and Orpha.
- \*Rich and Susie Graybill making necessary adjustments with Julia being home.
- \*Healing for family relationships.
- \*New administration at JMS.
- \*The upcoming JMS Jamaica missions trip March 2-9.
- \*Full-time pastor for Lauvers.

### **God alone is worthy of our praise!**

**Marcus Lehman is serving in the prayer room this morning.**

Please give any praises or prayer requests to Marilyn Swartz by calling 463-3466 or via email at [dmswartz77@gmail.com](mailto:dmswartz77@gmail.com) by Thursday evening.