



*As the time approached for him
to be taken up to heaven, Jesus
resolutely set out for Jerusalem.*

Luke 9:51

Welcome to
Lauvers Mennonite Church

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

March 17, 2019

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!

Greeter: Jordan King

Sunday School: *The Problem with Wisdom*,
Ecclesiastes 2:12-17, 7:23-29

Worship Service

Nursery: Alicia/Reanna

Worship Leader: Eric Brubaker

Worship in Song: Lydia's group

Offering

Message: Josh Varner “That I May Know Him”
Philippians 3:8

Last Sunday

Attendance: 106

Offering: \$2,376.00

Next Sunday

Greeters: Ranck young folks

Message: Joseph Scull, JMS Director of Discipleship, and
the JMS Praise Team

Upcoming Sermon Schedule

March 31 – Elvin Ranck

April 7 – Elvin Ranck

April 14 – Neil Glick

April 21 – Easter services, breakfast

Announcements

1. The Church Council is **seeking nominations for the Teaching Pastor and Shepherding Pastor positions**. Nomination ballots will be collected next week, March 24. If you wish to turn in your ballot sooner, you may give it to an elder or deacon any time before then. If you didn't get one, **additional nomination forms are available in the lobby**. Candidates may be from within the church here at Lauvers or outside of our congregation. We do ask that you please sign your ballot. Thank you for prayerfully considering who God is placing on your heart to serve in these roles!
2. **Church directory updating** – Gladys has begun work on updating our church directory. If your family's data in the 2017 directory is correct, you can help by letting Gladys know; and if it is incorrect, you can help, by giving her your correct information before she asks!
3. Since our congregation serves Brookline Manor by singing for the residents, we have received an invitation for their **Children's Egg Hunt** in April; see poster on the bulletin board.
4. **Youth event: Progressive Supper-March 30.**
5. Sunday evening, **March 31, 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.** come for an evening of praise and worship. Invite your friends!
6. **Ladies**, you are invited to the **Going Beyond simulcast** on **April 6**, at two different places! Buffalo Mennonite Church, near Lewisburg and New Harvest Community Church in Millerstown both have reached out to us with invitations. Check out the posters on the bulletin board for different details, to see which one you want to attend.
7. Have you ever wanted to visit **Anabaptist sites in Europe**? You can take a **virtual tour**, via a 90-minute documentary of John Ruth's more than 60 heritage tours with TourMagination (**change of place & time**) at **Lost Creek Mennonite Church on April 12, at 7:00 p.m.** An offering will be taken to benefit the Juniata Mennonite Historical Center. See poster on the bulletin board.
8. Pick up a handout in the foyer for the **Bicentennial Celebration of the founding of the Lost Creek Mennonite**

Church, to be celebrated with gatherings in April, July & October this year.

Happy Birthday to: Rosanna Ebersole today

Savanna Martin on March 19

Upcoming Events

- ~Mar. 23 – Men’s prayer breakfast at Port Royal with speaker Mark Partner, 7 AM
- ~Mar. 30 – Men’s prayer breakfast at Port Royal with speaker Mike Neiman, 7 AM
- ~Mar. 30 – Youth progressive supper
- ~Mar. 31 – Evening of praise and worship, 7-8:15 PM
- ~Apr. 6 – Men’s prayer breakfast at Port Royal with speaker Leroy Yoder, 7 AM
- ~Apr. 6 – Ladies’ Going Beyond simulcast at Buffalo & New Harvest
- ~Apr. 12 – John Ruth’s TourMagination documentary at Lost Creek Mennonite Church, 7 PM
- ~Apr. 19 – Good Friday service with meal, communion & footwashing
- ~Apr. 21 – Sunrise service, 8 AM , breakfast, & Easter service, 10 AM

Reproof

As children bring their broken toys, with tears for us to mend,
I brought my broken dreams to God, because He was my friend.

But then instead of leaving Him, in peace, to work alone;
I hung around and tried to help with ways that were my own.

At last I snatched them back and cried, “How can you be so slow?”

“My child,” He said, “what could I do? You never did let go!”

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:

Marlin Burkholder 717-991-2401

Neil Glick 717-513-2717

David Martin 717-363-7081



Power House of Prayer

*In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps.
Proverbs 16:9 (NIV)*

Praise God for:

- *His guidance for us each day.
- *The signs of spring, wild geese, warmer days and sunshine!
- *Kelvin being accepted for an internship in North Africa.
- *Marilyn Martin's and Trisha Graybill's interior decorating gifts in our church.

Pray for:

- *Emma as she continues her chemo treatments.
- *Family in Kentucky whose children were placed in foster care.
- *Mike and Beth teaching the new believers' class.
- *Wisdom and discernment for our congregation as we consider names for the two pastoral positions at Lauvers.
- *Unsaved loved ones.
- *Emma Martin being treated for acid reflux.
- *Olin serving with YWAM in Hawaii.
- *Michelle and Megan preparing for Summer Bible School.
- *Ongoing health needs for Lloyd and Orpha and their family caring for them.
- *Pastoral leadership for Lauvers.

Trade anxiety for trust. God will guide your way.

Marilyn Swartz 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 by Thursday evening.

News from Ghana:

Good evening to you all. We arrived safely in Ghana Friday afternoon and had a very long trip home. There's more traffic than there used to be and they have put in many more speed bumps and police checks. But we were thankful that all our luggage made it and we had a bed to sleep in.

Saturday Interpreter Emmanuel said Bishop Francis asked him to have the naming ceremony for their baby girl. The ceremony is held when the baby is anywhere from 4-6 weeks old. It's like our baby dedications plus it's the first time the public knows the baby's name. We have known this family for a number of years so it was very special be asked to take part. Elvin preached and Emmanuel had the privilege of announcing the name and praying for the baby. Then he handed the baby to me and had a special prayer for the parents then I handed the baby to the mother. There was lots of singing and gifts given to the baby. After the service we went to their house and they served us a meal.

Today we went to visit the 9 year old girl that ran into us on Sunday on our way to church. She and her mother were walking to church and need to cross the road. According to the little that I gathered from the mother's phone conversation, the child must have looked right but not left, darted across the road and ran right into our car on the right front corner. Elvin saw her coming but had no time to even break, it happened so fast. It knocked her down but she got up right away. She had a small cut on her arm and some bruises on her legs. We took them to a nearby clinic to get checked out and gave money for expenses. Today when we went to see her, she seemed ok. She had gone back to school today. Emmanuel was sitting up front but was looking at Elvin and I was in the back and didn't see it. Elvin said with much emotion that it's good I didn't see it because he will never forget the look on her face. Plus the thought of what could have happened if we would have been a few seconds later or if she would have run out several seconds earlier is very scary. We are so thankful for God grace in sparing her life.

On Monday I went with driver Emmanuel and his wife Rose to the market in Cape Coast. They have taken away the old market and made a much more modern one. So I have to learn it all over. But I enjoyed it. It took about 3 hours.

It's time for our evening devotions so I'll say good-bye and love to all.

Charlotte