

Welcome to
Lauvers Mennonite Church

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

Pastor: Glenn Lauver 436-9051

April 2, 2017

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: Cody Martin Family

Sunday School: *The Lord is My Shepherd*, Psalm 23:1-6

Worship Service:

Nursery: Jodie Martin

Worship Leader: Nevin Glick

Worship in Song: Tonya's group

Offering

Message: Pastor Elvin, A Holy Calling

Last Sunday

Attendance: 113

Offering: \$2,851; \$78.18 – Children's offering for 'My Coins Count'; \$20 for Monica's mission trip

Next Sunday

Greeters: George Martin Family

Message: Pastor Glenn, Personal Testimony John 4:1-30, 39-42

Upcoming Sermon Schedule

April 16 – Pastor Elvin

April 23 – Mike Clark

April 30 – Pastor Glenn

Happy Birthday to: Tony Gehman on April 5

Lance Brubaker on April 6

John Gehman on April 7

Rick Harlon on April 7

RaShonda Lauver on April 7

Announcements

1. Our next **monthly prayer night is this Wednesday evening, April 5, at 7 p.m.** Our focus will be on praying for the persecuted church around the world. Many Christians die daily because of their faith in Jesus. There will also be a time to share testimonies and personal/church concerns. Childcare will be provided for children under 12.
2. Both financial proposals were affirmed last Sunday.
3. The Stewardship Committee is currently drawing up plans for a college scholarship program for our students who wish to apply. Please give the committee your ideas.
4. Delbert Swartz will be our new **church treasurer**. Delbert is gifted, experienced, and is available to use his gifts in this department. PTL! Thank you, Delbert. Please pray for him in this new responsibility.
5. **Friday, April 7, 7 p.m. Silver Threads** will meet at the Lost Creek Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall for an evening of outdoor wonders. Linda Geissinger will share pictures she has captured of outdoor wonders, both locally and from several trips she and Ray have taken. Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments at the first meeting of Silver Threads for 2017. If you have questions, contact Virginia Saner or Linda Geissinger.
6. **Youth:** Ethnic meal postponed. **April 8th – Pizza and Movie Night** at Mike and Trisha's house at 6:30 p.m. Bring the topping you are assigned!
7. **Wednesday, April 12, 7:00 p.m.** – 'Mandated Reporter' Training here at the church. This informal 30 minute overview of our responsibilities under PA's *Child Protective Services Law* is open to all who attend here at Lauvers. If you currently serve here at Lauvers in any capacity involving contact with children (or plan to do so in the future), please be sure to attend! We will also review the clearances that each of us needs to file here at LMC, and how to obtain them.
8. We invite you to join us on **Good Friday evening, April 14**, for our communion time. We are doing a soup supper at 6:30 with communion time following.
9. **Easter Sunrise Service** is at 8:00 a.m. We will have singing and then Cliff Hawbaker will speak. Breakfast is at 9 a.m.

followed by music, testimony and sharing during our 10:00 a.m. morning worship service.

10. A **New Believers class** will be offered starting the beginning of May. The class will be meeting during the Sunday school hour and learning 'how to grow in the Christian life and faith.' Baptism will follow at the end of August or beginning of September for those who wish to be baptized. If you desire to be part of this class, please talk to Pastor Glenn.
11. **Evening of Music – April 22, at 7 p.m.** two homeschool orchestras will present a joint concert at Lost Creek Mennonite Church. See poster on bulletin board for details.
12. **Thank you** for the beautiful cards, notes and gifts you gave us for our 50th anniversary. Fifty years of marriage is worth celebrating. May God bless all your marriages. You're on your way to your 50th. God has been faithful.

Sincerely, Bill & Lois Graybill

Upcoming Events:

- ~Apr. 5 – Monthly prayer meeting, praying for the persecuted church around the world, 7 p.m.
- ~Apr. 7 – Silver Threads at Lost Creek, 7 p.m.
- ~Apr. 8 – Stewardship University, at Lancaster
- ~Apr. 8 – Youth, pizza & movie night at Mike & Trisha's, 6:30 p.m.
- ~Apr. 12 – Mandated Reporter Training for Lauvers, 7 p.m.
- ~Apr. 14 – Love feast & communion, Good Friday evening
- ~Apr. 16 – Sunrise service 8 a.m., breakfast 9 a.m., worship 10 a.m.
- ~Apr. 22 – Evening of Music, concert at Lost Creek Mennonite Church, 7 p.m.
- ~May 7 – Fellowship Meal
- ~June 9-11 – Church retreat at Christian Retreat Center



If we are true to God, we will not be false to people.



Power House of Prayer

*O my people, trust in him at all times. Pour out your heart to him for
God is our refuge. Psalm 62:8 (NLT)*

Praise God for:

- *His availability to listen and provide refuge and forgiveness in times of confession, intercession and grief.
- *Spring rains we are blessed with.
- *Good pastors' meeting this week in Belleville.
- *Our IT tech team providing sound/power point each week.
- *The work of MCC.

Pray for:

- *Those who are recovering from sickness.
- *Our upcoming Good Friday and Easter services.
- *Monica leaving Friday for a mission trip to Honduras.
- *Shawn and team doing service work.
- *Wisdom for parents as they lead their families.

Note: Our next monthly prayer night is April 5 at 7 p.m.

Elvin will be leading with a focus on praying for the persecuted church. (see bulletin announcement)

Glenn Lauver/Andrew Ranck are 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.