

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 23, 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: Merv Graybill Family

Sunday School: *God's Reconciling Love,*
Romans 5:6-11; 8:31-39

Worship Service:

Nursery: Jodie Martin

Worship Leader: David Martin

Worship in Song: Eric's group

Offering

Message: Mike Clark

Last Sunday

Attendance: 120

Offering: \$2,180

Next Sunday

Greeters: Jay & Barb Nissley

Message: Pastor Glenn "Being Effective Parents"
Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Upcoming Sermon Schedule

May 7 – Pastor Elvin

May 14 – Leon Zimmerman, The Value of Scripture

May 21 – Leon Zimmerman, The Interpretation of Scripture

May 28 – Pastor Glenn

June 4 – Pastor Glenn

June 11 – Church retreat

June 18 – Pastor Glenn

June 25 – Pastor Glenn

Announcements

1. The youth are offering a **baked potato bar fundraiser today after church!** Come, support the youth's mission trip to Louisiana in July!
2. **LAST CALL!** Any more changes from the 2015 Lauvers church directory need to be to Gladys by tomorrow evening, the 24th, as plans are to print the **2017 directory this week.**
3. **Come join us in praying for our nation** on Thursday evening, **May 4, at 7 p.m.** The theme for the National Day of Prayer this year is "For Your Great Name's Sake." It is based on Daniel 9:19 which says: "O Lord, forgive! Hear and Act! For your sake, O my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your name." Childcare for children under 12 will be provided.
4. Mary has asked that we find someone to take on her **children's Sunday school director responsibilities.** If you feel called to serve in that way, please talk to David Martin.
5. The Church Council is developing a **Pastoral/Leadership review.** Plans are to finalize this and give it to the congregation on the second Sunday in May. Thanks for your prayers as we pray God will show us the way.
6. **Thank you** so much for the beautiful cards and kind words you gave me for my 'milestone' birthday. God has truly blessed me with a wonderful family and many Christian friends. God bless each of you! Marilyn Swartz
7. Next Sunday **we will have a baby dedication** for Colton Graybill, Shayla Martin and Caleb Varner. Please pray for this service and for each parent as they train up their children in the way of the Lord.
8. **Save the date! On May 6** we will have **spring cleaning** here at the church. More details to come.
9. **Monday, May 8, there will be a Gospel Echoes** Banquet at the Belleville Mennonite School at 6:30 p.m. For details, see poster on bulletin board.
10. **Check out** minutes from **Leadership Team & Church Council** meetings in the Meeting Minutes mailbox.
11. **Juniata Mennonite School high school musical 'Now'** will be presented at the Cedar Grove BIC church on May 12 &

13, 7:00 p.m. Admission is free, contact Monica or JMS for more details.

12. 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.
13. **Youth** – On **May 6** we will be painting the shed & cleaning up flower beds around the church. **May 20** we will have volleyball and a campfire at Ranck's.

Upcoming Events:

- ~Apr. 23 – Baked potato bar after church
- ~Apr. 30 – Baby dedication
- ~May 6 – Spring cleaning at the church!
- ~May 7 – Fellowship Meal
- ~May 8 – Gospel Echoes banquet at the Belleville Mennonite School, 6:30 p.m.
- ~May 12 & 13 – JMS high school musical 'Now' at the Cedar Grove BIC church, 7 p.m.
- ~May 14 & 21 – Leon Zimmerman will be speaking in our morning services.
- ~May 20 – Youth, volleyball & campfire at Ranck's
- ~June 9-11 – Church retreat at Christian Retreat Center

Happy Birthday to: Nathanael Clark on April 28

Last-minute Planning

It was the start of a holiday weekend, and the service station was crowded. Finally, an attendant hustled up to the local minister who had been waiting in line for some time. "I'm sorry about the delay, Pastor," the attendant apologized, "but it seems like everybody is waiting until the last minute to get ready for a trip they knew they were going on all along."

The pastor smiled, and said, "I know what you mean. I have the same problem in my business."

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)))
TITUS 1:15



Power House of Prayer

And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19 (NIV)

Praise God for:

- *Meaningful Good Friday and Easter services last weekend.
- *The rainbow seen on Easter morning reminding us of God's promises to us.
- *The hope of heaven and seeing our loved ones again.
- *Marlin being able to wean off of some of his medications.
- *Safe trip back from South Carolina for the Lauver family.

Pray for:

- *Youth preparing for their mission trip to LA, in July.
- *Delbert and Marilyn traveling home from SC today.
- *Students and teachers to finish out the school year strong.
- *Baby dedication next Sunday.

Our next monthly prayer night will be Thursday eve, May 4 at 7 p.m. We will be praying for our nation since it is the National Day of Prayer. (See bulletin announcement.)

Susie Graybill 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.