Ridgeview Mennonite Church 3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville, PA 17529 www.ridgeviewmennonite.net 717 768-3143 August 31, 2025

Called by God to learn and share together God's love with all creation.

**WORSHIP SERVICE** (meeting in fellowship hall)

9:00 AM

Worship Leader: Julie Sommers
Music: Sarah & Autumn Rohrer, Shirley Nolt

Prelude

Gathering Song Brethren, We Have Met Worship VT 25 Welcome & Announcements Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings Lighting the Peace Candle

Call to Worship

One: Our God is within us, above us, and beside us. We gather here so can seek God together.

Many: When we seek God together, we grow in faith together.

One: We can be like Ruth and Naomi who supported each other. We can be like the Israelites who studied God's Word together. We can be like the host of a great banquet, welcoming all to gather. We can be like Tabitha, serving others by using our gifts.

Many: When we seek God together, we grow in faith together.

One: May our worship today be a time of us growing in our faith, and in our likeness of who God is in this world.

Congregational Singing

Take My Life, and Let It BeVT 759Heart With Loving Heart UnitedVT 813We Are One in the SpiritVT 387

Children's Time: Evie Hershey

Scripture: Acts 9:36-43

Message: Sustaining Faith in Service Pastor Katelyn

Response Song Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (vs 1-4) VT 778

Communion

VT 480 I Am the Bread of Life

Hand and Footwashing

Sharing Concerns and Praises

Benediction

Sending Song Seeds

**VT 777** 

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept 9 Tue 10:00 a.m. Tuesday Alive...Darrel Yoder, a local street performer/magician will be the entertainment.

Sept 19 Fri 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast @ Amos' Place

Sept 21 4:00 p.m. Church picnic @ John & Debbie Denlinger's

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** resume next Sunday, September 7, 9:00 a.m. Worship @ 10:15 a.m.

GIRL NAMED TOM IS COMING TO LANCASTER ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20. For the first time since winning The Voice, we are bringing our all-acoustic trio show to Lancaster County. While we've played the American Music Theater 3 times and hope to continue that tradition, we've been pining for a stripped down, intimate evening with you all. We hope you can join us at the WestArt downtown on September 20th. It's going to be a special night, made even more special with our friend and Lancaster's own, Andrew Pauls. Andrew will be opening up the show at 7:30pm with his brilliant songs. We can't wait to reconnect with you! Caleb, Joshua, and Bekah Visit <a href="https://www.girlnamedtom.com/events">www.girlnamedtom.com/events</a> for tickets.

**SAVE THE DATE...**Sunday, September 21, 4:00 p.m. Church picnic at John & Debbie Denlinger's. More details to come.

OLIVE GROVE SCHOOL begins their school year on Thursday, September 4. All activities for their school will happen in the lower level under the Chapel. School day is 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday.

**REPORT FOR** August 24 Offering \$1,617



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# Pastoral Advisory

Katelyn Robbins, Pastor katelyn@ridgeviewmennonite.net Etta Esch John Denlinger

Ministry Leadership Team Dick Thomas Julie Sommers Dan Dietzel Evie Hershey Administrative Assistant Joyce Shirk

### Invitation to the Communion Table

One: The table has been prepared, as Jesus requested, and we are invited to the meal.

Many: Come to the table.

One: Like Peter, with more enthusiasm than resolve, like James and John, dismayed by the priorities of God's reign.

Many: Come to the table.

One: Like Martha, hosting and leading with confidence, like Mary, full of love and grief.

Many: Come to the table.

One: Like Judas, disillusioned and rebellious, like Mary Magdalene, faithful to the end.

Many: Come to the table.

One: Jesus offers the bread and the cup. Many: Come to the table of Christ!

# Foot and Handwashing Prayer

One: Eternal Love, gentle God, you invite us into the mysteries of your presence as we bow before one another with devotion.

Many: As you have loved us, let us love one another. As you have washed us with grace, we wash one another.

One: Blessed is our brother Jesus, who on the night he shared a final meal with friends, rose from the table, laid aside his outer robe, then took a towel and washed the feet of his disciples. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end, saying, "I have washed your feet and you also ought to wash one another's feet."

Many: With our hands we offer God's tenderness. With our feet we receive Christ's abundant care.

One: Jesus said to his disciples, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Many: Come, Holy Spirit, wash us with your mercy, pour your grace over our lives, and flood the world with the gentleness of your love. Amen.

## Blessing for the Meal

One: As we share this bread, as we pour out this water, we thank you, God, for our daily bread for the food which delights and nourishes us and for the companionship that sustains us. We thank you, too, for wine and other drinks to quench our thirst, and above all, for the Living Water with which you enrich and transform our lives.

Many: Loving God, bless all who have gathered round this table.

May we know the fullness of your presence at every time of coming together and in all our serving. Amen.