

# Welcome

*to our worship service*

*Peavertown Amish Mennonite Church*

*December 3, 2023*

## **Sunday School** **9:00 AM**

Devotions & Prayer Austin King

Lesson Text Mark 10:17-34

## **Worship** **10:00 AM**

Moderator John L. Lapp

Topic Mel Stoltzfus

Offering Christian Schools

Sermon Joseph Peachey

## **Next Sunday** **December 10**

Lesson Text Mark 10:35-52

Offering Sewing Circle

Sermon Nate Bange

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God.

John 1:1-2

## **Announcements**

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- ❖ On Tuesday, December 5, we need six volunteers to pack food parcels (probably rice) at the CAM warehouse, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring your own lunch. We will take volunteers during announcement time today.
- ❖ You are welcome to attend a special service this evening at Pequea at 7:00. Andy Fowler will be speaking about rehabilitation ministries in Haitian prisons.
- ❖ Pray for Gerald Lapp's daughter Alyssa (Aaron Lapp's granddaughter), who had a stroke last Saturday. She was taken to Geisinger Hospital in Danville. The blockage was removed, and it was determined that there is no permanent damage. On Wednesday she was transferred to Pittsburgh Hospital, where she is under treatment, awaiting open heart surgery.
- ❖ Host families:  
Today: Nate & Krista Stoltzfus  
Next Sunday: Matt & Kristy Esh
- ❖ Cleaning this week:  
Upstairs: Alphie & Teresa Stoltzfus  
Downstairs (K): Eli & Naomi Stoltzfus

## **Youth Activities**

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- ❖ Sunday, December 3: Youth at Wayne and Liz
- ❖ Wednesday, December 6: Bible Study

## **Update on David Kauffman:**

David is now halfway through his 5-year prison sentence. Someone of the family enjoys the 2-3 hour in-person visit approximately every 2 weeks 1 1/2 hours north of here. We can also communicate via phone or zoom calls.

Two weeks ago, three of us were privileged to attend David's high school graduation. It was good to experience an extended part of the SCI Mahanoy facility; to meet his teachers/staff members and to put faces to his friends. Security was extra high, making it cumbersome to navigate the 143 visitors invited to celebrate with the 96 graduates. Tense excitement was in the air, and there were guards in every corner. Needless to say, only 1/3 of the graduates had family/friends coming to support this moment in their lives. The lonely rest sat and wistfully watched. Either they had no one or family was just too far away. It made one's heart ache to observe the longing eyes in these adult men. There was a ceremony followed by a snack time of cookies and drink. After 4 hours, we left feeling exhausted but honored to be there.

Please be free to congratulate him or send a Christmas card. For security reasons, include your full name and return address.

Sam & Mattie Kauffman