

Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
February 19, 2019

The **Mid-Week** is being sent out a day early this week.

Pastor David and Bev are attending the CMC Pastor's Conference in Chambersburg, PA this week. Keep them in your prayers for this time of refreshing.

Do you ever think of the privilege you have to gather for worship on Sunday mornings? We often think of those in remote places where threat of persecution keeps them from meeting. However, there are many who can't meet on Sunday mornings because of work schedules, travel or children's activities. What about them? What if there was a way to meet their need for gathered worship? Ponder their situation and pray for sensitivity to their need.

Why Small Groups? Our Small Groups are designed to accomplish the following:

- 1) Foster growth in a secure environment. You can ask questions, voice concerns and ask for help in understanding.
- 2) Connect you to people. Living in isolation is a major problem today. Being involved with a small group replaces isolation with connectedness.
- 3) Provide caring support. In small groups rather than large gatherings we feel more able to talk about fears, failures and our future. The people we meet with can provide that caring support.
- 4) Intentionally create a place for people distant from God, but would find "church" overwhelming.

Phil and Lena Lakjer are in the process of relocating to Franklin County, PA. This Sunday will be their last Sunday worshipping with us at SCMC. Phil and Lena have blessed so many over the years. Please express your well wishes to them in person or in writing. Their new address is: 16715 Path Valley Road, PO Box 179, Spring Run, PA 17262.

Church Council will be meeting on Monday, February 25, at 7:00 p.m.

February's Lunch Bunch will meet at Rocco's Pizza (1120 Main Street, Hellertown) on Wednesday, February 27, at noon. Food, fellowship and the opportunity to support a local family restaurant. Can it get any better? Sign up on the App or in the foyer.

The Good News Club and Youth Group Dinner on February 27 will be spaghetti and salad. Please RSVP through the SCMC App or via email to Sheryl Richards, scmcsecretary@aol.com.

Tara Willard is looking for **Sunday School Teachers** for the Spring quarter starting on March 10. Please contact Tara if you are able to volunteer; thank you!

Attention Ladies! All women are invited to the SCMC annual Women's Weekend on April 26 - 28 at the Bergey cabin in Tunkhannock, PA. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this fun and inspiring weekend! More information will be coming soon.

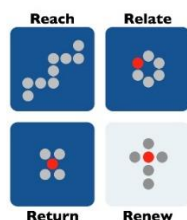
Meet for **Weekly Koffee and Konversation** at the Hellertown Diner on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Come and enjoy a great time of fellowship together!

Next Week's Bible Reading Plan: Week 9: - Leviticus 24-25; Psalm 81; Hebrews 9; - Leviticus 26-27; Psalm 112; Hebrews 10; - Numbers 1-2; Psalm 64; Hebrews 11; - Numbers 3-5; Hebrews 12; - Numbers 6-7; Hebrews 13.

This Week: **Nursery Staff**, Rose Szabo, Jaylen Lesser; **Worship Team Leader**, Robert Bergey; **Children's Message**, Tara Willard.

Please Pray For . . . Phillip & Betsy Rhodes Fisher, as they serve in Morocco; **Bart & Jessica Tossenou**, and their work in China; **Nicolas & Jennifer Haddad**, serving in Lebanon; **Rolando & Andrea Zelaya** serving in Spain; Those in **authority over us** (government leaders); **Dave Faust** who will be having a hip replacement this Thursday, **Roger & Sandy Malitzki**, **Carl & Danielle Mangione**, and **Wayne Matthews**.

REACH those far from God
RELATE to those near to God



RETURN blessing as blessed
RENEW a right spirit within