Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection April 8, 2020

In preparation for the **Good Friday Facebook Live Service** (Friday at 7:00 p.m.), please have ready the "bread and cup" you and your family can use for Communion. You will be partaking at home as you will be instructed that evening.

Additional prayer requests:

God is using this bizarre season to draw people into His Word and into His presence. Pray that this would take root like never before. As followers of Jesus, we have been given a great opportunity to be His "hands and feet". Pray we won't blow our opportunities. Becoming an online community of faith is enabling people, who have never entered the sanctuary, to participate in our worship. Pray that whenever we can meet together again there are many new faces.

SCMC Small Groups via Zoom:

God Space book study meets Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. Please read chapters 1 and 2 in preparation for this week's meeting.

Dangerous Prayers book study meets Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm. Please read chapters 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 in preparation for this week's meeting.

Prayer Gathering Small Group meets Friday's at noon. Join in for a time of prayer.

Daily Prayer Guides for the Month of April will be a little different. Each day of the week will have a different focus for your prayers.

Wednesday: Pray for the people on the front lines combating COVID-19 - Medical personnel, researchers, first responders.

Thursday: Pray for those in authority over us at all levels. Ask God to enable them to make wise decisions for the good of all humanity and not for political gain.

Friday: Pray for people who are emotionally and physically exhausted during this strange season. Ask God to give us strength and compassion.

Saturday: Ask God to enable SCMC and each of us to bring glory to His name as we proclaim the love of God in creative ways. **Sunday:** Let this day be a day of gratitude. Thank God for your blessings.

Monday: Pray for families. Many have been thrust into "homeschool" mode. Pray God would give each family member patience and grace.

Tuesday: Pray for those who are sick, ill and needing healing among us.

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School will be held on <u>Sunday July 12 – Thursday July 16</u> from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (The date has changed this year from our normal June week to July).

Our next **SCMC** "**Silver Saint**" **Trip** is scheduled for October 12-17, 2020. We are planning on going to Gatlinburg/Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The plans may include the Gatlinburg Craftsmen's Fair, Music/Comedy Dinner shows and other site seeing in the area. Exact cost will be determined as the itinerary is finalized.

Next Week's Bible Reading Plan: Week 16: - 1 Samuel 17-18; 1 Samuel 19-20; 1 Samuel 21-22; Psalm 22, 1 Samuel 24-25:1; 1 Samuel 28, 31. **Memory Verses:** 1 Samuel 17:46-47; 2 Timothy 4:17a.

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); Rachel Myers, Marc & Val Newcomer, and Kevin & Deanna Olsen.

Happy Birthday Wishes To: Eric Schoch – April 9; Pat Kutzura – April 9; Mikayla McSloy – April 12.

REACH those far from God **RELATE** to those near to God



RETURN blessing as blessed **RENEW** a right spirit within