

Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
May 16, 2018



Starting this Sunday, a new series from the book of Acts: **“Our Church on Mission”**. Throughout this series we will encounter the work of the Holy Spirit as he empowers the mission of the early church. The same power of the same Holy Spirit stands ready to empower the mission of our church.

“Has the whole church ever, since the days before Pentecost, put aside every other work and waited for Him for ten days, that that power might be manifested? Has there not been a source of failure there? We have given too much attention to methods, and to machinery, and to resources and to too little to the Source of Power; the filling with the Holy Ghost.” J. Hudson Taylor (Christian missionary to China; 1832-1905)

This coming Sunday is **Pentecost Sunday**. The day when Christian churches celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Read Acts 2:1-4 in preparation for Sunday’s worship gathering.

VBS Volunteers Needed!! VBS will be held June 24-28, Sunday – Thursday. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are up on the large white board in the chapel. Please sign up where you would like to help and indicate whether you need a tie-dyed t-shirt and what size. If you already have a tie-dyed shirt, please use that one. In order to have enough shirts available, **all volunteers need to sign up by Sunday, June 10.**

VBS is for children age 2 through those who completed 5th grade. **Register online** at scmc4.me or paper registrations will be on the sign-up sheet table. Please pre-register all church children and put paper registrations in Tara Willard's mailbox.

The Ladies and Little Ladies Tea will be held this Saturday, May 19, at 1:00 p.m.

The **Outreach Commission** will be meeting on Sunday, May 20, at 8:00 a.m. in the senior high youth room.

The next **Fellowship Meal** will be held this Sunday, May 20. The theme for this month will be Mexican. Please bring a Mexican themed main dish and side dish or dessert.

SOAP is a powerful way to wash away the world! **SOAP** is a powerful way to have the Holy Spirit guide you into a deeper connection to God and His Holy Word. Developed originally by Wayne Cordeiro, in “The Divine Mentor” (2008), this approach to Bible Study has enabled people to hear God’s voice. Join us as we move into the deep, this Sunday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, May 31 at 7:00 p.m. Different times, different scriptures, different revelations!

“Exploring Baptism” - Baptism is an outward expression of an inward transformation that has occurred when you put your faith in God through Jesus Christ. It is this faith that makes you a child of God, giving you new birth into God’s family. Jesus asks us to be baptized and modeled that for us by Himself being baptized as an adult. “Exploring Baptism” is a one-session class designed to help you understand baptism and to prepare you for this significant, spiritual milestone. “Exploring Baptism” will be held Thursday, May 24 (7:00 pm) and Sunday, June 3 (during Sunday School). Please inform Pastor David or one of the Elders of your interest in attending either of these classes.

Our **May Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, May 30, at 12 noon. We will be going to Captain Bob’s Seafood in Quakertown. The restaurant is located at 609 S. West End Blvd #5 in Quakertown. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

Vision Statement:

*Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) will invite **everyone, everyday, everywhere** to journey together in developing a life-changing relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

Mission Statement:

Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) is a Bible-believing community connected by a common need for a Savior with the passion of cultivating Christ-followers in the Lehigh Valley and to the ends of the earth.

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: May 20, Luke 7; May 21, Luke 8; May 22, Luke 9; May 23, Luke 10; May 24, Luke 11; May 25, Luke 12; May 26, Luke 13.

This Week: **Nursery Staff**, Becky Bergey, Rachael Litke; **Greeter**, Mary Eleanor Kochsmeier; **Worship Team Leader**, Robert Bergey; **Ushers**, Rob Ibach, Greg Feenstra, Bobby Kempf; **Children’s Message**, None.

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); **Tommy Rohn & family**, **Tim & Lisa Walters**, **Bonnie Rohn**, **Denis & Meghan Cela**, **Gladys Clemens**, and **Barb Cressman**.