Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection July 29, 2015

Guess Who's Coming to the Cookout on Saturday evening, August 8, at 6 p.m.?! Everyone is encouraged to participate in this event and sign up to be either a Guest or Host for the evening. Hosts will provide the main meal for the Guests coming to their house, and Guests will be asked to bring either a salad or dessert to the home where they will be assigned. But shhh... it's a surprise! Don't tell others where you are going! Each Host will be told ahead of time how many Guests to expect but not who will be coming. Sign up by Emailing Deanna Olsen at deannaolsen.mom@gmail.com. Please respond by Aug 3.

If you haven't dropped off your food for **Everlasting Life Ministries Christmas in July Food Collection**, please do so today (Wednesday). The Youth Group will be going there tomorrow morning to help out at the ministry and will be taking the items with them.

Our **Quarterly Business Meeting** will be this Sunday, immediately following the Morning Worship Service. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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!

Attention Ladies!! Our August Ladies Day Out will be next Thursday, August 6 (This is one week earlier than previously announced, due to Musikfest taking place the week we originally planned.). We will plan to meet at the church at 11 a.m. and go to downtown Bethlehem for lunch and a couple of hours at the Bethlehem Farmers' Market. Bethlehem Farmers' Market is located in Campus Square at Lehigh University and offers fresh produce, lunch items, baked goods, natural soaps, and more to Bethlehem and Lehigh Valley residents. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer. We hope you will join us!

In the month of August, we would like to begin and complete Renovations to our Nursery Area. The renovation includes removing a short wall and installing base cabinets and countertops. The majority of work will be completed on Saturday, August 8. Those who are interested in helping out are asked to indicate their willingness to help by using the communication card in your worship folder. Thanks.

SCMC Fall Community Day will be held Saturday, September 12, from 11a.m. - 3 p.m. Invite friends and neighbors! We will highlight our Christian Education programming which begins on Sunday, September 13.

Steve and Phyllis Swartz will be in our area on Thursday evening, September 17. Steve is the Conference Pastor for **Conservative Mennonite Conference**. They would like to meet with the congregation that evening to share the vision for Conservative Mennonite Conference. The congregational meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Steve and Phyllis will be meeting with the leadership over supper that evening prior to the congregational meeting.

The Women's Monday Night Bible Study will be starting up on September 21 at 6:45 p.m. We will be studying "The Best Yes" by Lysa TerKeurst. This is six-session video-based Bible Study which will meet every other Monday evening. Each video is 18-20 minutes in length. "Let Lysa TerKeurst help you discern the option that shapes all your other choices. Having trouble deciding which situations deserve a "yay" and which a "nay?" Are you living with the stress of an overwhelmed schedule and aching with the sadness of an underwhelmed soul? Offering Scripture-laced insights on effective decision-making, she encourages you to be honest, imaginative, focused, trusting, and humble as you discover the role God most wants you to play." Alma Geosits has once again consented to lead our study. We would like to encourage ALL ladies to be involved in this study! Moms, talk to your husbands and see if they would be willing to watch your little ones for an hour and a half so that you can attend this study. We would love to see you join our study. Please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer if you would like to participate in this study. We will need to be ordering books by the end of August. The cost for the study material is \$12.

Next Week's ESV Study Bible Reading Plan: August 2, Song of Solomon 8:8-14, Judges 12, Jeremiah 27-28, Hebrews 11:1-12:2; August 3, Psalm 1, Judges 13, Jeremiah 29, Hebrews 12:3-29; August 4, Psalm 2, Judges 14, Jeremiah 30, Hebrews 13:1-19; August 5, Psalm 3, Judges 15, Jeremiah 31, Hebrews 13:20-25; August 6, Psalm 4, Judges 16, Jeremiah 32, Mark 1; August 7, Psalm 5, Judges 17, Jeremiah 33, Mark 2-3; August 8, Psalm 6, Judges 18, Jeremiah 34, Mark 4:1-34.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Kim Matthews, Randy Willard, Alyssa Richards; **Greeters**, Tommy & Bonnie Rohn; **Worship Team Leader,** Kelly Schoch; **Ushers,** Bob Kemmerer, Rob Ibach, Greg Feenstra, Nick, Bobby Kempf.

Please Pray For . . . Phillip & Betsy Rhodes Fisher, preparing to leave within several weeks to serve through Rosedale Mennonite Missions in Morocco; Bart & Jessica Tossenou, and their work in China; Nicolas & Jennifer Haddad, serving in Lebanon; Dan & Doris Meehan; Joel & Lydia Mohler; and Walt & Joan Murphy.