Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection November 6, 2019

The Worship Team will not be having practice on Thursday evening. Please plan to meet for practice on Sunday morning at 8:15 a.m.

Saturday Night Alive gathers every Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. for one hour of worship and teaching from scripture.

The next **Fellowship Meal** will be held this coming Sunday, November 10. The optional theme for this month is Harvest foods. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert to share.

Discovery Bible Study will be meeting this Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at the Hellertown Diner.

The **Good News Club and Youth Group Dinner** on Wednesday, November 13 will be tacos. Please RSVP through the SCMC App or sign up on the sheet in the foyer. Good News Club and Youth Group will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. that evening.

November's **Lunch Bunch** will be on Wednesday, November 20. This month's outing will take us to **Buon Appetito** in Allentown (1860 Catasauqua Road). Sign up in the foyer or through the SCMC app. All are welcome to join for food and fellowship.

There is a **Sunday School** teacher & helper needed for K/1st grade and a teacher needed for 4th/5th grade for the winter quarter which begins on December 8. Please contact Tara Willard if you would like to serve in this way.

The church has **1 ticket** available for **Danny Gokey** in concert on Friday, November 8th at 7:00 p.m. The concert will be held at Bethany Wesleyan Church 675 Blue Mountain Dr. Cherryville, PA. Tickets are \$25 each. Please contact Tara Willard if interested.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are in the Chapel. **Operation Christmas Child** is a project of Samaritan's Purse, their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children with the Good News of Jesus Christ. <u>This year our goal is to fill 50 boxes by November 17</u>. This makes a great family project! For more information on how to pack a shoe box, please visit their website at <u>www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child</u> Please note a change this year - toothpaste and candy are no longer allowed due to change in customs.

Steel City Mennonite Church is leaving the building and teaming up with Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce at Morris J Dimmick Park to help usher in the Christmas Season. *Light up Night* will take place on November 29 from 6-9 p.m. The Outreach Commission will be setting up our pop-up tent, table and chairs. We are looking for participants who are willing to be present at our area, Pre-packaged popcorn and chip clips will be available with bottled water.

You can sign up for as much as you want in 1-hour increments. We are needing 4-5 people per hour to be present on site. Please click on the link to sign up for this event: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D4DA5AB2AA6FB6-hellertowns</u>

Local churches around the Lehigh Valley maintain the **Bethlehem Emergency Shelter** providing a warm place to sleep and food during the coldest months of the year for needy adults. Our church has agreed to partner with our local bodies of Christ in serving this winter. We have chosen one date a month - December, January, February, and March to serve the shelter from 4:00pm - 7:30am. Please view the link below for sign up details and explanations of assignments. Please understand that NO CHILDREN under age 14 are permitted at the shelter due to safety. Teens age 14 to 18 need to be supervised by adults at all times. Every volunteer will need to complete a volunteer application and view an online training of procedures. For questions, please contact Tara Willard. Visit the link below to sign-up. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094AAEAC22AAF49-bethlehem

Good News Club is looking for donations to create a supply of prizes that will be used for our end of the year store in which children redeem points for prizes. As you go shopping, we are looking for toys, books, games, puzzles, craft kits, etc. for ages 4-11, up to a \$15 value. Donations will be accepted until the end of March.

Every winter our **Youth Group** enjoys the opportunity to go up to **Spruce Lake** for their **Winter Blast Retreat**. The cost has gone up in recent years and several youth need help raising the funds to go. Therefore, the youth will be having work days to help defray the cost of the retreat. Sign up in the foyer for a job you need done and how many youth you can use to do it. It could be raking leaves, cleaning, babysitting, shoveling snow, etc. We will assign a youth to that job and the two of you will coordinate it between yourselves as to when it will occur. You would then complete a form with a donation to that youth and return to Tara Willard. This will be running from October through the end of January.

Voice of the Martyrs Advance Conference will be held at Greater Shiloh Church in Easton on Saturday, November 16 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Speakers from around the world will share personal testimonies about God's faithfulness in the midst of persecution. For more information visit <u>www.VOMAdvance.com</u> or see the flyer in the chapel.

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 46: - Ezekiel 46-48; John 16; - Daniel 1-3; Psalm 88; John 17; - Daniel 4-6; John 18; - Daniel 7-9; Psalm 91; John 19; - Daniel 10-12; John 20.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Naphtali Walters, Luke Schmidt; Worship Team Leader, Dan Reed; Children's Message, Sue Reed.

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); Mark & Nancy Walters, Ryan & Naphtali Walters, and Ali Wasatonic.

