

Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
November 17, 2021

Awana and Youth Group will be meeting tonight (Wednesday) at 6:30 p.m. Due to an outbreak of Covid in the Lehigh Valley, **masks will be required** for all those attending tonight.

It appears that the number of **Covid cases** (both asymptomatic and symptomatic) **are on the increase in the Lehigh Valley**. We were informed that there is one child in the 3 to 5th grade class and one child in the Middle School Sunday School class that have tested positive for COVID-19. Both of the children were in attendance in church and Sunday School. A parent is awaiting test results as well. The class families have been notified individually by email. Please be mindful of any Covid-like symptoms you may experience. If you have any questions about this situation or if you test positive for Covid, please speak with Pastor David or Tara Willard.

This weekend, **Scott Richards** will be bringing the message, "**Heaven, Sweet Heaven**". Pastor David will serve as the moderator for both weekend services. You will be blessed by our worship this weekend! Plan now to encounter God's presence.

HIMpossible Prayers:

Protection from the newest wave of Covid-19 affecting the Lehigh Valley
Peace among families through the holiday season
Physical healings of our congregational members

"Debt Done in 21". Our goal is to be debt free by the end of the year. As of today, we owe \$26,500. You can give toward this either online or by earmarking your check "Debt Done" and place in the offering.

Discovery Bible Study will meet this Sunday evening at the Hellertown Diner. The text for our study is John 4:46-54.

There will be an **Elder's Meeting** on Monday, November 22, at 7:00 p.m.

Our **Tuesday Evening Prayer Gathering** is the place to connect with others to come before Almighty God with our praise and petition. If you have not attended yet, we will see you next Tuesday.

The **Outreach Commission** is committed to connecting to the community and meeting them where they are at. On Friday, November 26, from 5-9 pm, SCMC will be the Hot Chocolate and Cookie Sponsor at the "**Light Up Night**" event at Dimmick Park in Hellertown. We will be handing out information about our church as well as hand warmers. This event will not be successful without YOU! Please text/call Kelly Schoch at 484-538-1071 to volunteer. Even if you can give one hour of your time, it will be appreciated.

The **Outreach Commission** is once again planning to participate in **Christmas Angel**. We will be blessing families with grocery gift cards as well as gift cards for several other businesses. You can take a card which will be located on the cross at the rear of the sanctuary and purchase that card for the designated amount or you can take several of them. If you wish to take a card and place the appropriate amount of cash with the card, the Outreach Commission will take care of purchasing that card. The cards can then be placed in the offering basket or they can be dropped off with Sheryl during the week. You can also give online through Pushpay. We would like to complete this by December 5.

Spiritual Gifts Discernment - For those desiring to get more clarity or discernment on their spiritual gifts, Pastor David will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, December 1 at 7:00 pm to assist in the discovery of spiritual gifts. Please take the Wagner-Houts questionnaire prior to and bring it with you.

Our CMC Overseer, Jeremy Miller and family will be with us the weekend of December 11 and 12. This is an excellent opportunity for you to get to know Jeremy since this will be the first time most of you have had to meet him. There is a Fellowship Meal scheduled for that Sunday.

The **HLS Choir** was invited to sing Christmas Carols on the **Main Street Bethlehem Moravian steps** on December 18 at 5:30 p.m. Dan would love for anyone that would be interested to come – the more the merrier! Please let Toni or Dan know if you'd like to join us.

Any **weather-related delays and/or cancelations** affecting SCMC worship services or events will be posted on the SCMC Facebook page, WFMZ-channel 69 and emailed out. Decisions to delay or cancel will be made not later than one hour prior to gathering.

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!

Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan: November 18 – Daniel 1-3, Psalm 143; **November 19** – Daniel 4-6, Psalm 144; **November 20** – Daniel 7-9, Psalm 145; **November 21** – Day of Reflection; **November 22**– Daniel 10-12, Psalm 146; **November 23** – 1 Thessalonians 1-2, Psalm 147; **November 24** – 1 Thessalonians 3-5, Psalm 148.

Church Elders: Bill Litke, Joel Mohler, Scott Richards, Bob Walters, Randy Willard.

Please Pray For . . . Those in **authority over us** (government leaders); **Guy & Becky Lesser, Jason & Jaime Lesser, and Jeremy & Lydia Lesser.**

Offering YTD: \$250,872.62
Budget YTD: \$254,334.00
Debt Done in '21: \$150.00
Debt Done in '21 YTD: \$277.00

Happy Birthday Wishes To: Valerie Newcomer – November 21; Jaden Pound – November 21; Anya Walters – November 22.

Happy Anniversary Wishes To: Jim & Cathy Troxell – November 17.

REACH those far from God
RELATE to those near to God



RETURN blessing as blessed
RENEW a right spirit within