Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection November 18, 2020

The **Worship Team** will be practicing at 8:30 a.m. this coming Sunday.

As of Wednesday morning, the **SCMC Family Thanksgiving Meal** will continue as planned with the dine-in (face masks required when not eating) or take-out. Pandemic restrictions and/or recommendations are being monitored as we move into the holiday season and we may need to adjust our Thanksgiving meal accordingly.

Prayer Concerns:

Remember to pray for our parents, students and teachers as they are navigating school closures and transitions to virtual classrooms. This is a challenge for all.

Pray for the SCMC Finance Commission as they are planning to meet this Monday to discuss our 2021 operating budget.

Update on the Wilson Family Adoption: Paul and Laura Wilson are traveling to India this Thursday to meet and bring home their daughter Ella. Please pray for safe traveling, good health and all remaining documents to come through quickly. Pray for their boys at home as Paul and Laura travel. We praise God for opening doors to bring their daughter home!

The **Church Library** is getting redone and we are getting rid of books on cassette tape and VHS tapes. If you would like any, they are on the platform in the chapel.

The Finance Commission will be meeting on Monday, November 23, at 7:00 p.m.

There will be an Elder's & Spouses Meeting on Monday, November 30, at 7:00 pm.

Caring Fund Offering will be received the weekend of November 28-29. Your generosity has enabled SCMC to assist 9 families with needs totaling \$7,175. The previous caring fund offering given year to date totals \$5,915.00. As you give toward this special 5th Sunday offering, please clearly note "Caring Fund" on your contribution.

The **Outreach Commission** will not be doing the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes this year; however, they would like to give everyone the opportunity to support several families in our community through **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 starting Sunday, November 15, 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. <u>We would like to complete this by December 6</u>. Let's be a blessing to others during the Christmas Season as we have all been blessed ourselves.

Our devotional booklets, "The Upper Room" and "Our Daily Bread," are available upon request. Due to COVID-19 precautions, they cannot be placed out for self-pick-up.

Next Week's Bible Reading Plan: Week 48: - Philippians 1-2; Philippians 3-4; Hebrews 1-2; Hebrews 3-4; Hebrews 5-6. Memory Verses: Philippians 3:7-8; Hebrews 4:14-16.

Please Pray For . . . Those in authority over us (government leaders); Marc & Val Newcomer, Kevin & Deanna Olsen, and Larry & Melissa Pound.

Offering YTD: \$265,753.73 Budget YTD: \$252,080.00

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

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



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