Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection December 4, 2019

Thank you to all of our volunteers who came to "**Light Up Night**" last Friday and showed the love of Jesus to the community around us. Event organizers indicate there were 5,000 people in attendance.

Weather-related delays and/or cancellations for SCMC will be communicated through email, the SCMC app and WFMZ channel 69. Any delays or cancellations will be determined at least one hour prior to our scheduled event. For example, the worship team usually practices at 8:30 a.m. Sunday mornings. In this case, a determination would be made and passed on to them first by 7:30 a.m., followed by a general email sent to those on our email list. If bad weather is forecast, please check about SCMC delays/cancellations before leaving home.

Parents Night Out!! This Friday, December 6 from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. parents can drop off kids of all ages at church and enjoy a night out together! There will be pizza, popcorn, milkshakes, and cookies. Kids should wear their PJs and bring blankets, pillow, sleeping bags etc. to be comfortable while watching a movie. There will be games, crafts and other activities to keep them busy all night. Please RSVP by today to Tara.

The **Congregation** is invited to attend **Jim Brunstetter's 70th Birthday Open House** held at SCMC this Saturday, December 7, from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

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

There will be a **Sunday School Teacher/Helper Appreciation Breakfast** this coming Sunday, December 8, at 8:30 a.m. for all who are currently teaching Sunday School.

The next **Fellowship Meal** will be held this coming Sunday, December 8. The optional theme for this month is Holiday Favorites. 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, December 11 will be white chicken chili. 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.

The Hellertown-Lower Saucon Community Chorus invites you to join them for a Christmas Celebration Concert at SCMC on Sunday, December 15, at 3:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Gathering - Join in the celebration of Christ's birth at our special candle-light Christmas Eve Gathering 7:00 p.m. on December 24. You won't want to miss this wonderful celebration.

Fasting to Feast 2020. Plan now for SCMC's 21-day spiritual fast. The call for us is to fast from food (or social media, television, etc.) to feast on the presence of God. The dates are January 4 through January 24.

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

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 50: - Nehemiah 10-13; Revelation 8; - Malachi; Psalm 2; Revelation 9; - Job 1-3; Psalm 29; Revelation 10; - Job 4-7; Psalm 99; Revelation 11; - Job 8-11; Revelation 12.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Rose Szabo, Rachael Litke: Worship Team Leader, Dan 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); Denis & Meghan Cela, Gladys Clemens and Barbara Cressman.

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



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