## Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection December 11, 2019

There will be a white chicken chili dinner for **Good News Club and Youth Group** families tonight (Wednesday) at 5:45 p.m. Good News Club and Youth Group will begin at 6:30 p.m.

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.

**FYI -** Tara Willard has asked to take a leave of absence from her responsibilities due to family demands. This request was understandably granted. Britney Kempf is picking up the responsibilities related to youth ministry. Please direct questions or comments about Christian Education to Pastor David. Please remember to pray for Tara and Randy during this time.

## This Weekend:

Saturday Night Alive (7:00 PM) - Pastor David will be leading a prayer/anointing time at the close of the gathering. Sunday Morning (9:30 AM) - Ryan Walters will be sharing a message God has placed on his heart. Come out and support Ryan this Sunday. Sunday Afternoon (3:00 PM) - The Hellertown/Lower Saucon choir led by Dan Reed will be holding their holiday concert at SCMC. Discovery Bible Study (6:30 PM) - Will be meeting in the Banquet Room of the Hellertown Diner.

There will be an Elder's/Spouses Meeting on Thursday, December 19, at 7:00 p.m.

Communion will be served during our services the weekend of December 21 and 22.

**Christmas Eve Service** will be a wonderful time of family, fellowship and focusing on the birth of the Christ-child. You will not want to miss this unique gathering. We will be meeting in the lower level.

The Caring Fund Offering will be received on December 29. Please begin to ask God how you should participate.

Recent life events among individuals connected to SCMC have shown the importance of having a current **Last Will and Testament** which also addresses care/custody of minor children; a Durable Power of Attorney along with a Medical Power of Attorney and an Advanced Health Care Directive. For simple estate planning, <u>LegalZoom.com</u> may suffice and is very reasonable. For more complex estate planning, please consult an estate lawyer. Contact the church office for a recommendation if you need a lawyer. PLEASE MAKE THIS A PRIORITY! It is a wonderful gift to your family.

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. Visit the link to sign-up. <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094AAEAC22AAF49-bethlehem">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094AAEAC22AAF49-bethlehem</a>

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 51: - Job 12-14; Psalm 100; Revelation 13; - Job 15-17; Revelation 14; - Job 18-20; Psalm 141; Revelation 15; - Job 21-23; Psalm 101; Revelation 16; - Job 24-27; Revelation 17.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Naphtali Walters, Autumn Willard; Worship Team Leader, Sandy Faust.

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); Jeff Cressman, John & Toni Cressman and John & Jazmyn Cunningham.

REACH those far from God RELATE to those near to God