

**Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
December 14, 2016**

Good News Club, Ignite and Connect will all meet tonight (Wednesday) at 6:30 p.m. The youth group will be having their Christmas party and gift exchange.

Christmas Carolers needed this Sunday, December 18, at 5:30 pm! Please meet at the church for an evening of Christmas Caroling. We will be caroling at pre-determined homes in the Steel City Community. This is a great opportunity for our neighbors to be introduced to us. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight! As part of our Christmas Caroling, the Evangelism Commission would like to bless each family with homemade Christmas cookies. We can't do this without you. Please bring in cookies on Sunday morning, December 18th.

Planning Ahead for Christmas – The Candlelight Christmas Eve Service will be December 24 at 8:00 p.m. Christmas Sunday Worship will be held at 10:00 a.m. (No Sunday School). The New Year's Day Worship will also be held at 10:00 a.m. (No Sunday School).

Our **December Lunch Bunch** will be held on Wednesday, December 28, at the Golden Corral, 900 Lehigh Valley Mall, in Whitehall. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to attend.

We will be doing a new **Lifetouch Pictorial Church Directory** with portrait sessions on January 26, 27 & 28, 2017. Beginning this week, (stay tuned for more details), there will be sign-up sheets in the foyer and online registration. We would like as many of the congregation in the directory as possible. Please make this a priority. This is so helpful for people when they first begin attending SCMC to learn to know us.

This is a complete list of Individuals Being Presented by the Nominating Commission for Congregational Affirmation this Sunday, December 18, during the morning worship service. Please prayerfully consider affirming these people for the leadership roles within SCMC. Unless otherwise stated, these are three-year terms. **The 2017 Nominations for Commissions are as follows:** Ron Faust, Board of Elders; Jon Schmidt, Kelly Schoch and Marc Newcomer, Church Council; Sue Reed and Danette Walters, Education Commission; Lisa Walters and Lydia Lesser (1 year term), Evangelism Commission; Val Newcomer, Rebecca Loar and Bonnie Rohn, Fellowship Commission; Ryan Walters and Britney Kempf, Finance Commission; Greg Feenstra, Technology Commission; Dan Reed, Worship Commission.

In case of inclement weather affecting SCMC services or events, a delay or cancellation notice will be posted on WFMZ channel 69, the SCMC website and the SCMC Facebook page. These postings will be made at least one hour prior to the event.

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 Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan: December 18, Catch up day; December 19, John 19:17-27, Revelation 14, Job 36:16-33, Nahum 1-3; December 20, John 19:28-37, Revelation 15, Job 37, Habakkuk 1-3; December 21, John 19:38-42, Revelation 16, Job 38:1-21, Zephaniah 1-2; December 22, John 20:1-9, Revelation 17, Job 38:22-41, Zephaniah 3; December 23, John 20:10-18, Revelation 18, Job 39, Haggai 1-2; December 24, Catch up day.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Naphtali Walters, Becky Bergey (Alt.), Jaylen Lesser; Greeter, Bob & Mary Jane Bergey; Worship Team Leader, Kelly Schoch; Ushers, Chip Shimko, Bob Kemmerer, Rob Ibach; Children's Message, Tara Willard.

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; Jess Bergey, as she serves with Youth With a Mission (YWAM); Victor & Lori Sabatino, Jon & Katrina Schmidt and Eric & Kelly Schoch.