

**Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
December 31, 2014**

This Sunday, Dave Kempf will once again be sharing during the **story time with the children** (and adults) about **Mennonite Central Committee and their Penny Power Program**. Penny Power raises money for Mennonite Central Committee projects of peace, relief and development around the world. Spare change can lead to global change. Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches have adopted Penny Power as a great intergenerational activity, collecting coins year-round. **Parents**, tell your children to start saving their coins for this special story time with Dave. **Adults**, you will also have an opportunity to contribute to Penny Power during the morning offering time. Dave will be sharing with the children every four weeks through the end of March.

We will not be having **Worship Practice** tomorrow night (New Year's Day), but will practice on Sunday morning at 8:15 a.m.

Tara Willard is looking for individuals who are willing to have the **Children's Message** from time to time. At this point, with only three volunteers, the Children's Message will probably need to be switched to an every other week event. So, if you were unsure of whether or not you wanted to volunteer for this, maybe this additional information will be a deciding factor for you. Please talk to Tara if you would like to be a volunteer for this ministry.

This Sunday, at 9:00 a.m., Tara Willard will be having a short meeting for all Winter quarter teachers and helpers. Please plan to attend.

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!

Good News Club, Youth Group and the **Basics of Faith Bible Study** will all resume next Wednesday evening.

Attention Ladies! Thursday night, January 15, at 7:00 p.m., is **PJ's, Popcorn and Movie Night!!** We will be watching a video with comedian Anita Renfroe, *"I'm Not High Maintenance, Just Low Tolerance."* "Does your spouse kid you about spending too much time in front of the mirror? Are "manis" and "pedis" the high point of your week? Mixing hilarious standup comedy with her trademark song parodies, Renfroe explains the differences between men and women---and they aren't what you think! Laugh out loud at "The Packing Vector," "Clean," and more." It should be a fun and relaxing evening after our busy holiday season! We hope to see a lot of you ladies there! Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you plan to attend. (And, don't let the PJ's theme stop you from coming; if that's not your thing, come in other comfy clothes!!)

Our **SCMC Marriage Retreat** held at Spruce Lake Retreat Center will be held on March 6-8, 2015. The speakers will be Clayton and Marlene Glickert from Syracuse, New York. The cost per couple is \$325.

Next Week's ESV Study Bible Reading Plan: January 4, Psalm 3, Genesis 4, 1 Chronicles 4, Luke 2:1-21; January 5, Psalm 4, Genesis 5, 1 Chronicles 5, Luke 2:22-52; January 6, Psalm 5, Genesis 6, 1 Chronicles 6, Luke 3:1-22; January 7, Psalm 6, Genesis 7, 1 Chronicles 7, Luke 3:23-4:13; January 8, Psalm 7, Genesis 8:1-19, 1 Chronicles 8, Luke 4:14-44; January 9, Psalm 8, Genesis 8:20-9:19, 1 Chronicles 9, Luke 5:1-6:16; January 10, Psalm 9, Genesis 9:20-10:32, 1 Chronicles 10, Luke 6:17-49.

This Week: **Nursery Staff**, Sue Reed, Kim Matthews and Val Newcomer; **Greeter**, Tiffany Faust; **Worship Team Leader**, Kelly Schoch; **Ushers**, Bob Kemmerer, Rob Ibach, Greg Feenstra, Nick Mace, Aaron Kochsmeier; **Children's Message**, Dave Kempf.

AM Offering, Year-to Date: \$290,672.30 **Budgeted AM Offering, Y-T-D:** \$304,579.00 **Deficient:** \$13,906.78

Please Pray For . . . **Jessica Vaughn**, and her work in China; **Deane & Krystal Weaver**, serving in Chile; **Nicolas & Jennifer Haddad**, serving in Lebanon; **Eric & Kelly Schoch**; **Chip & Mary Lou Shimko**; and **Amy Smith**.