Today

Palm Sunday Weekend

Almost 2,000 years ago, Jesus made his journey into the city of Jerusalem riding on a donkey. People gathered along the road to give him a kingly welcome. They waved branches in the air. Individuals threw their garments in the road before him. Shouts of celebration filled the atmosphere surrounding the Triumphal Entry.

That crowd of old thought they knew who they were welcoming. Most, if not all, seemed to be misguided.

This weekend crowds of people will gather to remember Jesus' Triumphal Entry. The question must be asked, "Who are they welcoming?". What about you, "Who are you welcoming?"

Drawing from the text of **John 12:12-19**, Pastor David will be speaking on "**Jesus' Triumphal Entry**". Pray for the Holy Spirit's anointing upon the message.

Please check in today by filling out a Communication Card which can be found in the foyer, or through our smartphone app. You can also share prayer concerns through these two options.

This Week

April 14 - 20

SUNDAY

12:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal SOAP Bible Study

MONDAY 12:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch **7:00 p.m.** Elder's Meeting

TUESDAY 8:00 a.m.

Koffee & Konversation, Hellertown Diner

THURSDAY

Worship Team Practice

7:30 p.m. FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

SATURDAY

7:00 p.m. Saturday Night Alive Easter Celebration

This Week's Bible Reading Plan

Week 16

- Ruth 1-2; Acts 3
- Ruth 3-4; Psalm 37; Acts 4
- 1 Samuel 1-2: Psalm 120: Acts 5
- 1 Samuel 3-5; Psalm 23; Acts 6
- 1 Samuel 6-8; Acts 7

Announcements

We have **Hearing Assist Units** available for those who may have difficulty hearing the service. Please speak to the person in the sound room to receive your unit for the morning.

We have a **Staffed Nursery (Sundays only)** to care for your children through age three. In addition, there is a **Cry Room** at the rear of the sanctuary to attend to the needs of infants.

We have **Sunday School (Sundays only)** for all ages. Please refer to the back of your bulletin to see where each class will be meeting.

This month we are serving **Cafe Diego coffee (regular) from Hemisphere Coffee Roasters.** Diego Chaverria is a coffee grower in Nicaragua. He sells his coffee directly to Hemisphere Coffee Roasters. Diego uses the profits from his coffee plantation to support church planters in Nicaragua. He has or is currently supporting over 45 church planters.

The **Fellowship Commission** will be briefly meeting Sunday, April 14, during the Sunday School hour.

The next **Fellowship Meal** will be held Sunday, April 14. The optional theme will be Easter favorites. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please bring a main dish & a side dish or dessert to share.

SOAP Bible Study will meet Sunday evening, April 14, at 6:30 p.m. Come expecting to be taught by the Holy Spirit.

The **Lunch Bunch** gathering for April has been changed to Monday, **April 15**. We will be trying out the buffet at the **Paragon Room** located at the SeWyCo Fire Company (3621 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bethlehem PA).

The **Elders** will be meeting on Monday, April 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. In this service we will remember the death of Jesus Christ by reliving the event and sharing in Holy Communion.

SCMC will not be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt this year. Instead, SCMC is working with Freemansburg Borough to support their Easter Egg Hunt. The Freemansburg Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 20 at 1:00 pm at the Freemansburg park. We want to be in and bless the community around us. This is an opportunity to be where the people are. "The Church has left the building."

Easter Celebration, April 20 at 7:00 pm and April 21 at 9:30 am. Two services celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The resurrection of Jesus is absolutely something to celebrate! Invite friends to worship with you!

Easter Sunday Sunrise, April 21 at 7:00 am. Bright and early, women went to the tomb of Jesus to finish preparing His body for burial. They found the tomb empty. We will gather outside for a brief worship service celebrating the empty tomb. Following the service, coffee and breakfast cakes will be served.

The **Finance Commission** will be meeting on Monday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m.

The **Congregational Business Meeting** will be held on Sunday, April 28, during the Sunday School time.

Attention Ladies and Little Ladies! The Fellowship Commission is planning a **Ladies and Little Ladies Tea** on Saturday, May 4, at 1:00 p.m. There is no charge for this event. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to attend.

The **2019 Softball Season** is approaching & anyone interested in playing for the Church Softball Team, whether regular or periodically as needed, or to keep stats at or for games, or to umpire, notify Guy (skifit@ptd.net 484-280-6632) & include your email & cell #. Also, anyone who has a Navy Blue SCMC Team Shirt & will definitely not be part of the Team please forward shirt to Guy.

Attention Ladies: There is still time to sign up for the Women's Retreat at Sugar Hollow in Tunkhannock, PA on April 26 - 28. If you wish to attend you can sign up on the sheet in the foyer. If you have questions you can call Becky Bergey at 215-872-8080.

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School will be held on Sunday June 23 – Thursday June 27, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. VBS is for children age 4 through those who completed 5th grade. Register online at scmc4.me. Sign-up sheets for helpers will be out after Easter. There are some leadership positions available for Imagination Station on Sunday & Monday night and for Games all five nights. If you would like to be the leader of one of these stations, please talk to Tara before April 28th. There are Vacation Bible School DVD's available for \$15 and CD's available for \$7.

Ministry Opportunities & Events

If you and your children like having **Children's Story Time** during our worship times, please consider joining our rotation to give a Children's Message. The more people we have, the less often everyone has to do it. Please see Tara Willard if interested.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Ryan McMahon – April 15 Rachel Schoch – April 17 Jeff Cressman – April 18 Robert Bergey – April 19

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Larry & Melissa Pound – April 16

Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON APRIL 6: \$217.00
OFFERING ON APRIL 7: \$4,627.50

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$5,385.00

CARING FUND: \$40.00

<u>PESIGNATED GIVING:</u> \$25.00 <u>YTD OFFERING:</u> \$74,168.44 <u>YTD BUDGET:</u> \$75,390.00

ATTENDANCE ON APRIL 6: 73
ATTENDANCE ON APRIL 7: 120

Serving Others

SUNDAY

Nursery Lydia Mohler Kylie Schmidt

Worship Ldr. Robert Bergey Children's Message None

NEXT SUNDAY:(Apr 21)

Becky Brooks Jaylen Lesser Sandy Faust Tara Willard

Information

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Sunday School Information (Sundays Only)

2 - 4 YEAR OLDS

Led by Aleta DeToma Helper, Denise Ibach

Room B6

GRADES 2 & 3

Led by Becky Lesser

Room LL 2

JUNIOR HIGH (GRADES 6-8)

Led by Randy Willard Room LL 3

ADULT CLASS

Led by Joel Mohler Chapel

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1

Led by Becky Thatcher Helper, Jazmyn Cunningham Room LL1

GRADES 4 & 5

Led by Wayne Matthews

Room LL 4

SENIOR HIGH (GRADES 9-12)

Led by Jessica Bergey Youth Room



"Jesus' Triumphal Entry"

John 12:12-19 Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



April 13/14, 2019

Everyone. Everyday. Everywhere.

