

## Today

Welcome to this time of worship this morning. Please consider yourself a part of God's family rather than a guest in His house.

Today, Pastor David begins a series on Paul's little letter to the Philippians. Philippians was written to encourage that church to keep on growing or maturing in their faith and personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Paul understood that they had a tendency to rest on what already had been; their past growth in the faith.

Pastor David's sermon is titled, "How I Yearn", based on Philippians 1:1-8.

Questions to ponder:

Have you become satisfied with your expressions of faith?

Is your faith in God growing or has it already peaked?

**6:30 p.m.** "I AM N" Study

## This Week

April 18-23

### TUESDAY

**8:00 a.m.** Koffee & Konversation, Hellertown Diner

### WEDNESDAY

**7:00 p.m.** Gospel of Luke Bible Study

### THURSDAY

**7:30 p.m.** Worship Team Practice

### SATURDAY

**6:00 p.m.** Guess Who's Coming to Dinner!

## This Week's Discipleship Journal Reading Plan

**April 17** Catch up day  
**April 18** Mark 6:30-44, 1 Corinthians 11:1-16, Psalms 86, Judges 9  
**April 19** Mark 6:45-56, 1 Corinthians 11:17-34, Psalms 87, Judges 10-12  
**April 20** Mark 7:1-23, 1 Corinthians 12:1-13, Psalms 88, Judges 13-15  
**April 21** Mark 7:24-37, 1 Corinthians 12:14-31, Psalms 89:1-18, Judges 16  
**April 22** Mark 8:1-13, 1 Corinthians 13, Psalms 89:19-52, Judges 17-18  
**April 23** Mark 8:14-21, 1 Corinthians 14:1-25, Psalms 90, Judges 19

## 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** 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** for all ages. Please refer to the back of your bulletin to see where each class will be meeting.

**Tonight**, "I AM N" series continues in the Chapel (6:30). It is heart wrenching to witness what our Christian family members endure for their uncompromising belief in Jesus Christ.

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](mailto:skifit@ptd.net) 484-239-0846) & include your email & cell #. **Also** anyone who has a Navy Blue SCMC Team Shirt & will not be part of the Team please forward shirt to Guy.

**Ladies!** Our next event is this Tuesday, April 19. We will be going to Rice's Market followed by a stop at Peddler's Village for some additional shopping and lunch. We will meet at the Giant parking lot in Hellertown at 9:15 a.m. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

**Guess Who's Coming to Dinner!** this Saturday evening, April 23, at 6:00 p.m. The theme question for this event is, "If you could ask God one question and get an answer, what would it be and why?" Everyone is encouraged to participate in this event and sign up to be either a Guest or Host for the evening. Hosts will provide the main meal for the Guests coming to their house, and Guests will be asked to bring either a side dish or dessert to the home where they will be assigned. But shhh... it's a surprise! Don't tell others where you are going! Each Host will be told ahead of time how many Guests to expect but not who will be coming. Sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer to indicate that you are wishing to participate and whether you would like to be a Host or Guest.

Our **Congregational Business Meeting** will be held during Sunday School next Sunday April 24. The agenda includes affirmation of Randy Willard to serve SCMC as an additional Elder. For over a year the Board of Elders has been prayerfully considering adding another Elder to the Board of Elders. This need was realized in response to our growing congregation. The Board of Elders, along with Pastor David, brought this before

Church Council asking that Randy Willard be presented for affirmation of the congregation. The Council unanimously agreed and have placed this on the Business Meeting agenda. Please prayerfully consider this affirmation.

There will be a **Back to the Cross Cast Party** for all those involved in the performance next Sunday, April 24 from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. There will be a pizza lunch served and then a showing of the Back to the Cross performance. Please sign up if you wish to attend.

**The Baptismal class** will meet Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00 pm. Baptisms are scheduled for May 1.

Our **April Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, April 27, at 12 noon. We will be going to La Lupita in Bethlehem. The restaurant is located at 4 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Bethlehem. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

**April 30** is the **Men's Fishing Trip** off the New Jersey coast. The cost is \$80 per person. Indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Our annual **Women's Banquet** is on Wednesday, May 4. This will be a catered event here at the church. The cost is \$10. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer. Invite family and friends!

## Sermon Notes

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Rachel Schoch – April 17  
Robert Bergey – April 19  
Adam Newcomer – April 20  
Denis Cela – April 22  
Alberta Heft – April 23  
Carl Mangione – April 23

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Tom & Val Reppert – April 20

## Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON APRIL 10: \$3708

ATTENDANCE ON APRIL 10: 133

## Serving Others

	<u>TODAY</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK: (Apr. 24)</u>
<b>Nursery</b>	Val Newcomer Lisa Walters (Alt.) Rachael Litke	Lois Halsel Lydia Mohler (Alt.) Alyssa Richards
<b>Greeters</b>	Jeremy & Lydia Lesser	Mary E. Kochsmeier
<b>Worship Ldr.</b>	Kelly Schoch	Dan Reed
<b>Ushers</b>	Tim Walters Chip Shimko Bob Kemmerer	Rob Ibach Greg Feenstra Nick Mace
<b>Children's Message</b>	Tara Willard	Kelly Schoch

## Information

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## Sunday School Information

### **2&3 YEAR OLDS**

Led by Becky Lesser  
Helper, Lydia Lesser  
Upstairs Nursery

### **3&4 YEAR OLDS**

Led by Nancy Walters  
Helper, Lucy Litke  
Room B6

### **PRE-K/KINDERGARTEN**

Led by Becky Thatcher  
Helper, Mary Lou Shimko  
Room LL1

### **GRADES 1-2**

Led by Randy Willard  
Helper, Nick Mace  
Room LL2

### **GRADES 3-4**

Led by Chip Shimko  
Helper, Rose Szabo  
Room LL3

### **GRADES 5-7**

Led by Sheryl Richards  
Room LL4

### **GRADES 8-12**

Led by Greg & Rachel  
Feenstra  
Youth Room

### **ADULT CLASS**

Led by Joel Mohler  
Chapel

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Led by Pastor David  
Sanctuary



**“How I Yearn”**

Philippians 1:1-8  
Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



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