### **Today**

Welcome to our worship service this morning! These next moments spent together equip and energize us to face each aspect of our life with the assurance of God's presence over us.

The Apostle Paul writes the following: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." I Corinthians 12:4-7 (ESV)

Today, Pastor David continues with our study of Ephesians. The message is "The Grace of Gifts". The scripture text is Ephesians 4:7-10.

2:00 p.m. Iglesia Evangelica Hispana Luz Y Verdad Service

**This Week** 

August 28 – September 2

#### **TUESDAY**

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

**WEDNESDAY** 

12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch

**THURSDAY** 

**7:30 p.m.** Worship Team Practice **8:30 p.m.** Men's Bible Study

# This Week's Let's Read the Bible Together Plan

**August 27** Ezra 2-3, Psalms 66, 84, 87, 117 **August 28** Psalms 116, 125, 127-128, 134

**August 29** Ezra 4-5, Psalms 129 **August 30** Ezra 6-7, Psalms 48, 81

August 31 Ezra 8-10 Nehemiah 1-3 September 2 Nehemiah 4-6

### 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.

There will be **No Sunday School** during the months of July and August.

Our **August Lunch Bunch** will be this Wednesday, August 30, at 12 noon. We will be going to Castle Diner & Family Restaurant in Quakertown. The restaurant is located at 1030 North West End Blvd., Quakertown. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

The **Men's Bible Study** will be meeting on Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m.

Next Sunday, September 3, is **CHURCH IN THE PARK** at 10:00 a.m. SCMC will meet at Louise Moore Park. Join us for a day of worship, fellowship, and food. Recording artist, Leslie McKee will be our special musical guest. Please plan on bringing chairs or blankets to sit on. If you have outdoor games like Washer Toss, Corn Hole, Ladder Golf, Quoits or Volleyball, please bring those as well. Lunch will be catered by Moyer's Catering and will include: pulled pork, hamburgers & hot dogs, bbq chicken, potato & macaroni salad, ring bologna & cheese, hot baked beans, pickles & olives, and chips, pretzels, & rolls. If you are planning to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer or sign up on the new SCMC app under Registrations. **This is the last Sunday to sign up. Final count is due tomorrow.** 

**SCMC Fall Community Day** will be held on Saturday, September 23, from 3 - 6 p.m. There will be free food and many activities for the children. Mark the date on your calendar now and stay tuned for more details!

The Worship Commission is planning an **Old Time Hymn Sing** for Sunday, September 24 at 6:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now for this special evening!

Jonathan McKee's Parenting the Smartphone Generation Seminar, will be held on October 15, at 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer to indicate your attendance and need for childcare. This seminar does not only apply to parents of teenagers, but also parents of elementary age children.

### **Ministry Opportunities & Events**

Tara Willard is looking for Sunday School teachers for the Fall quarter which begins on Sunday, September 10. We will continue using the FaithWeaver Now curriculum in which all classes learn the same Bible Story. The classes available are: Pre-K - Teacher, 2nd/3rd grade - Teacher, 4th/5th Grade - Teacher, Senior High - Teacher. All teachers and helpers must be regular attendees for at least one year and complete a background check. Please let Tara know if you are interested by Sunday, August 27th.

On **September 16,** in conjunction with the Steel City Community Yard Sale, the youth group is renting out parking spaces in the church parking lot for \$10 each (this includes 1 table and 2 parking spaces). Come and sell your unwanted treasures and junk from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The youth group will take small donations if you would rather donate items instead of selling them yourself. Please sign up in the foyer and indicate if you would like a table provided or if you will be bringing your own table.

If you would like to donate any items for the **Mennonite Central Committee School Kits**, now is a great time to go shopping as most stores are selling back to school supplies. Here is the list of items requested by MCC. New items only please: 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 ½ x 10 ½ and 70 sheets); 8 unsharpened pencils; 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic, with both 30 cm and 12 in); 12 colored pencils (in packaging); 1 large pencil eraser. If you would prefer to donate money, please designate *MCC School Kits* on your check and place in the offering basket. Purchased items can be placed on the platform in the Chapel.

#### **Vision Statement:**

Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) will invite everyone, everyday, everywhere to journey together in developing a life-changing relationship with our Savior. Jesus Christ.

### **Mission Statement:**

Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) is a Bible-believing community connected by a common need for a Savior with the passion of cultivating Christ-followers in the Lehigh Valley and to the ends of the earth.

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:**

Danielle Heft – August 28 Becky Brooks – September 1

## **Attendance and Giving**

OFFERING ON AUGUST 20: \$3432.00 ATTENDANCE ON AUGUST 20: 116

# **Serving Others**

TODAY NEXT WEEK: (Sep 3)

Nursery Naphtali Walters Church in the Park

Alyssa Richards

**Greeters** Marc & Val Newcomer

Worship Ldr. Kelly Schoch Dan Reed

Ushers Chip Shimko

Bob Kemmerer

Rob Ibach

Children's Message None

By now you have seen our VISION and MISSION statements. I would even venture a guess that you have memorized our tag line. (Here's a hint: Everyone. Everyday. Everywhere.)

Our VISION statement is "Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) will invite everyone, everyday, everywhere to journey together in developing a life-changing relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ."

This is a strong vision for our church to have based on the following realities.

SCMC exists to introduce people to Jesus Christ. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only way to be set free from our sins and to be saved from a literal hell.

- 2. As we exist to introduce people to Jesus Christ it becomes all about THEM encountering HIM. It is no longer about ME (i.e. personal preferences), but what is meaningful to others who are learning about Jesus.
- 3. It is ME and THEM living and growing together to become US. Already Christ-followers don't have it all together and we are not perfect. We need each other to become Christ-like!

As we will soon embark on another church year, prayerfully consider the WHO, the WHEN and the WHERE you will introduce to Jesus. SCMC is here to help that blessing.

### Information

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# "The Grace of Gifts"

Ephesians 4:7-10 Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



August 27, 2017

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