

December 29, 2013 9:30 AM

Welcome to Worship!

Hymns of Gathering

Worship Team

Invitation to Worship

Tithes and Offerings Received

Expressing Our Praise in Song

Worship Team

Message: "May I Be Found"

Pastor David

Pastoral Prayer

Vocal Response

Worship Team

Announcements

Benediction

Out of courtesy to others, it is important that distractions during the Worship Service be minimal. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We wanted to give you an opportunity to help SCMC out financially, if you choose. With the payment of bills this past Friday, we have a deficit for 2013 of approximately \$26,000. About \$19,000 of this amount is due to the septic system at the Hersh Property, which we are in the process of getting resolved. Consider giving of your resources in these last days of December to help cover this deficit. We truly feel that we are ministering to our congregation and supporting the missions that God would have us to at this time and trust Him to provide what is needed to do so.

You are Encouraged to submit prayer requests and praises via the communication card by placing it in the offering basket at the appropriate time.

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

There will be **No Sunday School** today.

Our **Sunday Evening Bible Study** meets tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

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!

The **Tuesday Evening Weekly Prayer Meeting** meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Come and be blessed.

ALPHA: Explore the Meaning of Life

What is Alpha? The Alpha course is a practical introduction to the Christian faith that gives guests an opportunity to explore the meaning of life. Alpha is fun, relaxed and totally non-pressured (that's probably why over 19 million people around the world have already done it!). Listen, learn, discuss, and discover. Ask anything. Alpha is a place where no question is off limits. How Does It Work? Each Alpha course session begins with food, followed by a short talk looking at a different aspect of the Christian faith. After that, there is a time for discussion in a friendly small group. Who is Alpha For? Alpha is for everyone, especially those who have given up on church, those wanting to investigate Christianity, those who are new to the Christian faith, and those wanting to grow in understanding and faith. Alpha will be starting next Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m.

The first **Training Session for the Youth** who are participating in the Guatemala Missions' Trip is next Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. These training sessions are mandatory.

Tara is in need of **Decorations for the Italian Dinner**, i.e., small lamps, grapevines, Italian music CD or classical music, anything to transform our fellowship hall into an Italian restaurant. **Tickets will be on sale** this Sunday for this Youth fundraising dinner being held on Saturday, January 11. There will be three time slots available for your meal, 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 6-12; and children under 6 are free. The various fundraising events being held in the next six months are to help raise funds for the **Youth Missions Trip to Guatemala** the last week in July 2014.

The **Annual Men's Retreat at Spruce Lake** will be held on January 16-17, 2014. The speaker is Gordon MacDonald and he will speak from one of his many popular books, "When Men Think Private Thoughts," daring to contemplate such questions as, Who am I? Who do I really know? Where is my life going? Where is God in my life? The price includes one night of lodging and meals from Thursday dinner to Friday lunch, and the first session begins Thursday at 8 p.m. You can register for the event either by going online to sprucelake.org or by calling them at 570-595-7505.

The Youth are invited to a go Roller Skating at Skate-a-way in Bethlehem on January 18 from 2 to 5 p.m. Meet at church at 1:30 p.m. or at Skate-a-way at 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 for admission plus skate rental.

The youth are going on a **Missions Trip to Guatemala** and are having **work days** to fundraise for their trip. Please sign up on the sheet provided and indicate type of work you need done and how many youth you need, and Tara will coordinate schedules.

The Finance Commission is bringing an opportunity to the congregation to assist Pastor David and Ron Faust with the costs of going to India early next year. We will be collecting a love gift to go toward their costs for this mission trip over the next several weeks. If you are interested, please place it in the offering and put 'India Mission Trip' on the envelope. The total cost of the trip is approximately \$5,436.

Just a Reminder... We have a **"Blessings Food Pantry"** which is located in the office area. The items are there for you to use as needed!!

This Week's Chronological Bible Reading Plan Schedule:
December 29, Revelation 6-11; December 30, Revelation 12-18;
December 31, Revelation 19-22; Four Streams Bible Reading
Plan: January 1, Matthew 1-3, Genesis 1-2; January 2, Matthew
4-6, Genesis 3-4, Psalm 1; January 3, Matthew 7-9, Genesis 5-6,
Psalm 2, Proverbs 1; January 4, Matthew 10-12, Genesis 7-8,
Psalm 3.

Please use the **Communication Card** included in this worship folder to update personal information for the church office, as well as requesting further information about congregational life. **Visiting friends are encouraged to complete this card** so that we can get better acquainted. Please place your completed card in the offering basket this morning.

THIS WEEK AT SCMC

Sunday: Bible Study, 6:30 PM

Tuesday: Koffee & Konversation, 8:00 AM

Prayer Meeting, 7:00 PM

Wednesday: Happy New Year!!

Thursday: Worship Team Practice, 7:30 PM **Sunday:** Men's Fellowship, 8:45 AM

Youth Missions' Trip Training Session, 6:30 PM

ALPHA, 6:30 PM

THIS WEEK: NEXT WEEK: (January 5)

Nursery: Lisa Walters Rose Szabo

Alicia Smith Nick Mace
Greeters: Ron & Sandy Faust Tiffany Faust
Worship Team: Robert Bergey Victor Sabatino
Ushers: Lee Walters Neal Kempf

John Cressman Harold Lehman Randy Willard Tim Walters

OFFERING ON DECEMBER 22: \$12,643.75 ATTENDANCE ON DECEMBER 22: 204

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Ron Faust – December 29 Naphtali Walters – December 31 Ashley Gustofson – January 2

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Lee & Danette Walters – January 3

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

2-YEAR OLDS
Led by Mary Jane
Upstairs Nursery
Led by Becky Hutchinson
Helper, Lucy Litke
Room B6

KINDERGARTEN

Led by Rachel Feenstra
Helper, Sheryl Richards
Room LL1

GRADES 1 & 2
Led by Lydia Mohler
Room LL2

GRADES 3 & 4

Led by Larry Korpics Led by Chip Shimko Helper, Scott Richards Room LL4

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Room LL3

SENIOR YOUTH

Led by Ron & Sandy Faust David Cook

Youth Room

ADULT CLASS

GRADES 5-8

David Cook Uniform Lesson Led by Sue Reed

Chapel

ADULT CLASS

"What on Earth Am I Here For?" by Rick Warren Led by Pastor David Sanctuary

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