### **Today**

Today, we begin the journey to the Cross of Jesus. The Cross of Jesus is not the end, but rather a comma in time, a pause that sets the atmosphere for God to act mightily!

Pastor David will be preaching on the Baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-15).

**11:00 a.m.** Church Softball Meeting, front of Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Church Council

This week February 23-28

### **TUESDAY**

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

WEDNESDAY

**12:00 p.m.** Lunch Bunch, Dom's Westgate Pizza Restaurant

**7:00 p.m.** Evening of Prayer, Chapel

**THURSDAY** 

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

**FRIDAY** 

**6:00 p.m.** 30-Hour Famine, Lower Level

**SATURDAY** 

**6:00 p.m.** 30-Hour Famine Concludes

## This Week's ESV Study Bible Reading Plan

February 22 Psalm 53, Genesis 47:27-48:22, 2 Chronicles 26,

Acts 19:23-20:16

February 23 Psalm 54, Gen. 49, 2 Chr. 27, Acts 20:17-21:16

February 24 Ps. 55, Gen. 50:1-14, 2 Chr. 28, Acts 21:17-23:11

February 25 Psalm 56, Genesis 50:15-26, 2 Chronicles 29,

Acts 23:12-24:27

February 26 Psalm 57, Exodus 1:1-21, 2 Chr. 30, Acts 25-26

February 27 Ps. 58, Ex. 1:22-2:22, 2 Chr. 31, Acts 27:1-28:15

February 28 Psalm 59, Exodus 2:23-3:22, 2 Chronicles 32,

Acts 28:16-31

### **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.

Our **February Lunch Bunch** is this Wednesday at Dom's Westgate Pizza Restaurant at 12 noon. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer. The restaurant is located at 2335 Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem.

Attention Ladies!! On Thursday, March 19, you are invited to go on a "field trip"! We will be going to the Country Grapevine, a country store in Bath, and then, we will be going to the Hampton Winds Restaurant for lunch. The Hampton Winds Restaurant is the training ground for Northampton Community College's highly-regarded Culinary Arts program. This will be a fun day! We will meet at the Park 'n Ride in Hellertown, below the Wendy's, at 9:30 a.m. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

Attention Men: The SCMC men are planning a **Deep Sea Fishing trip** on Saturday, April 25. We have reserved an entire party boat for our group! The cost will depend on how many men sign up, but we are expecting it to be between \$60 and \$70. Men and boys age 12 and up are invited to come. More information to follow.

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.

The Worship Team would like to hear from you about any song requests that you might have. There is a box in the foyer in which to put these requests (This is NOT a comment box; this box is just for song requests.) The Worship Team will do their best to incorporate your requested songs in the worship portion of the service within the next couple of weeks.

# **Ministry Opportunities & Events**

Dave Kempf will be having the Children's Message next Sunday and will be giving the children and adults the opportunity to Present their Coins for Penny Power through Mennonite Central Committee!! Remind your children to bring their coins!

The Youth will be participating in the 30-hour Famine— Students Loving God and Fighting Hunger, a part of World Vision. The youth will meet at the church to begin their activities this Friday at 6 p.m. They will play games, watch videos, and learn about hunger issues around the world. They will spend the night at the church and continue on Saturday with more activities. One activity the Junior Youth will be participating in is a food drive around the community of Steel City for Everlasting Life Ministries. The Senior Youth will be going to help Pastor Gus Alkhal with food distribution. They will also be asking for sponsors to give financially for their participation in this 30-hour Famine event. Be prepared to support the youth when they come to you. Or, seek a youth out if you are not approached! We have done this several times over the years and ALWAYS, it has been a very meaningful activity, opening the eyes of our youth to the way others live around the world.

The **Fellowship Commission** is responsible to have someone **supply a meal for those in the congregation** who may recently have come home from the hospital or may have other health issues that prevent them from easily preparing a meal for their family. Annually, they like to update their list of individuals who have indicated that they are willing to supply a meal in the event one is needed. If you would like to serve in this way, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

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

Peyton Abrams – February 22 Jordan Wasser – February 23 Luke Schmidt – February 23

Rachel Lesser – February 26 Denise Ibach – February 29

Ethan Cassel – February 26

Dave Kutzura – February 24

Mary Ann Transue – February 29

## **Serving Others**

**TODAY NEXT WEEK: (March 1)** 

Bob & Betty Kemmerer

Denise Ibach Rose Szabo Nursery Val Newcomer Jeremy Lesser

Nick Mace Lydia Lesser

Greeters Rob & Denise Ibach Worship Ldr.

Ushers

Dan Reed Kelly Schoch Lee Walters Tim Walters John Cressman Chip Shimko Randy Willard **Bob Kemmerer** Neal Kempf Rob Ibach Harold Lehman Greg Feenstra Children's Message Susie Kempf Dave Kempf

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# **Sunday School Information**

2-YEAR OLDS

Led by Danette Walters Helper, Tiffany Faust **Upstairs Nursery** 

3- AND 4-YEAR OLDS

Led by Naphtali Walters Helper, Toni Cressman Room B6

**KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1** 

Led by Katrina Schmidt Helper, Bev Kochsmeier Room LL1

**GRADES 2-4** Led by Rose Szabo Helper, Val Newcomer Room LL2

**GRADES 5-8** 

Led by Nancy Walters Room LL4

**SENIOR YOUTH** 

Led by Sandy Faust and Jen Matcke Youth Room

**ADULT CLASS** 

David Cook Uniform Lesson Led by Joel Mohler & Dave Kempf Chapel

**ADULT CLASS – Women** The Gospel of Mark

Led by Lydia Mohler Room LL3

**ADULT CLASS - Men** 

"Stepping Up" Video Series. by Denis Rainey Sanctuary



# "Baptism of Jesus"

Mark 1:9-15 Pastor David K. Kochsmeier

