

## Today

**Welcome to our Worship gathering this morning.** May our hearts echo the delight of the Psalmist David in Psalm 122:1 "I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" (ESV).

It is so easy to get in a spiritual rut. You know, just doing the same spiritual things out of habit or going through the same motions with empty repetitiveness. The zeal, the passion, is absent. The problem with spiritual ruts is that we determine that we are going to do more of what we have been doing. We pray three extra minutes. We read another couple of verses of our Bible. We add a devotional reading or two. Guess what? We slip back into the rut.

There was a sign posted on a back-country road of Mississippi, where the asphalt ended and the mud began, that read, "Choose your rut carefully as you will be in it for the next 10 miles or so".

Fortunately, there is hope! We do not need to be stuck in a spiritual rut. Pastor David will be sharing the remedies today in his message titled, "**Old is Good?**", from **Luke 5:33-39**.

Guests, please let us know of your presence 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.

**11:15 a.m.** Business Meeting  
**6:30 p.m.** SOAP Bible Study

## This Week

January 28 – February 2

### MONDAY

**7:00 p.m.** Church Council Meeting

### TUESDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

**12:00 p.m.** Lunch Bunch

**5:45 p.m.** Good News Club & Youth Group Dinner

**6:30 p.m.** Good News Club & Youth Group

### THURSDAY

**7:00 p.m.** Elder's Meeting

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

### FRIDAY

**6:00 p.m.** Junior Youth, Spruce Lake

## This Week's Bible Reading Plan

### Week 5

- Exodus 1-3; Galatians 5
- Exodus 4-6; Galatians 6
- Exodus 7-9; Psalm 105; Ephesians 1
- Exodus 10-12; Ephesians 2
- Exodus 13-15; Psalm 114; Ephesians 3

## 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.

The **Congregational Business Meeting** will be held during Sunday School today. All persons are encouraged to attend. The 2019 budget will be presented for consideration. Our business meeting is an opportunity for you to hear more about what is happening at SCMC.

**SOAP** will meet tonight at 6:30 pm in the Chapel. Come and let the Holy Spirit teach you God's Word.

The **21 Days of Prayer and Fasting** is quickly coming to an end. As you consider the final stretch, finish strong! Begin to write down what has been revealed to you. There will be a time of testimony in our February 3 morning service. Think about sharing. Know as you do, you will be an encouragement to others.

The **SCMC Prayer Guides** for the month of February are on the table in the foyer. Please use this Prayer Guide as a part of your daily devotional routine.

**Church Council** will be meeting tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m.

Our **January Lunch Bunch** will be held this Wednesday, at the Golden Corral, 900 Lehigh Valley Mall Drive, in Whitehall. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer or on the SCMC app if you would like to attend. \*Those doing the Daniel Fast can choose salads and fruit.

The **Good News Club and Youth Group Dinner** will be this Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. The dinner will be BBQ sandwiches and chips. [Sign up via the SCMC app or email Sheryl at scmcsecretary@aol.com](mailto:scmcsecretary@aol.com) if you will be attending. Good News Club and Youth Group will be held following the dinner at 6:30 p.m.

There will be an **Elder's Meeting** this Thursday, January 31, at 7:00 p.m.

The **Outreach Commission** will be meeting next Sunday, February 3, at 8:00 a.m.

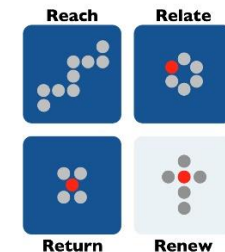
On Sunday evening, February 3, the **Super Bowl** will be played in Atlanta, GA. Those of us not traveling to the live event will have the privilege of watching via television here at church. **Let's make it a party!** Join us for an evening of football, table games and food. Bring snack type food to share and if you want, table games to play. Plan on arriving at 6:15 p.m. as kick off is at 6:30 p.m.

**Attention Ladies! All women are invited to the SCMC annual Women's Weekend** on April 26 - 28 at the Bergey cabin in Tunkhannock, PA. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this fun and inspiring weekend! More information will be coming soon.

## Ministry Opportunities & Events

**Good News Club** is looking for donations to create a supply of prizes that will be used for our end of the year store in which children redeem points for prizes. As you do holiday shopping, we are looking for toys, books, games, puzzles, craft kits, etc. for ages 4-11. Donations will be accepted until the end of March.

**REACH** those far from God  
**RELATE** to those near to God



**RETURN** blessing as blessed  
**RENEW** a right spirit within

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Valerie Reppert – January 28  
Alyssa Richards – January 29  
Bertha Lehman – January 29  
Brycin Cela – January 31  
Lily Matthews – February 1  
Jerik Lesser – February 1  
Cliff Brunstetter – February 2

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Juan & Jenny Forero – January 28

## Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON JANUARY 20: \$4,118.50

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$5,385.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$200.00

YTD OFFERING: \$14,368.25

YTD BUDGET: \$16,155.00

ATTENDANCE ON JANUARY 20: 101

## Serving Others

### TODAY

**Nursery** Naphtali Walters  
Lindsey Richards  
**Worship Ldr.** Robert Bergey  
**Children's Message** Sue Reed

### NEXT WEEK: (Feb 3)

Lydia Mohler  
Alyssa Richards  
Sandy Faust  
Kelly Schoch



## Information

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## Sunday School Information

### 2 - 4 YEAR OLDS

Led by Aleta DeToma  
Helper, Denise Ibach  
Room B6

### KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1

Led by Katrina Schmidt  
Helper, Nancy Walters  
Room LL1

### GRADES 2 & 3

Led by Becky Lesser  
Room LL 2

### GRADES 4 & 5

Led by Marc Newcomer  
Room LL 4

### JUNIOR HIGH (GRADES 6-8)

Led by Randy Willard  
Room LL 3

### SENIOR HIGH (GRADES 9-12)

Led by Becky Brooks  
Youth Room

### ADULT CLASS

Led by Joel Mohler  
Chapel



*“Old is Good?”*

Luke 5:33-39  
Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



**STEEL CITY**  
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Bethlehem, PA

January 27, 2019

Everyone. Everyday. Everywhere.