

## Today

"Under NEW Management" is a banner we are familiar with seeing at all types of establishments. That banner conveys a meaning something like this: "If you have had a bad experience at this place before, give it another try because things will be different this time." It is a banner that invites a second chance!

In lots of ways, the act of baptism, is the hanging of the sign, "Under NEW Management" over the door of our lives. People can and should expect a newness of self. Baptism is an outward demonstration of an inward decision to make Jesus Christ both Savior and Lord. We shouldn't expect a perfect self, but a re-newing self under the direction of the Holy Spirit.

To help us better understand the importance of baptism, Pastor David will share from the Gospel of Mark 1:9-11.

- 11:00 a.m.** Quarterly Business Meeting  
**12-5:00 p.m.** Swim Party, Guatemala Youth/Chaperones  
**6:00 p.m.** Daniel Bible Study, Chapel

## This week

July 14-19

### MONDAY

**8:00 p.m.** Softball Game, Forks

### TUESDAY

**8:00 a.m.** Koffee & Konversation, Hellertown Diner  
**6:30 p.m.** Softball Game, Promised Land  
**7:00 p.m.** Prayer Meeting, Chapel

### WEDNESDAY

**3:30-8:00 p.m.** Youth, Dutch Spring Aqua Park

### THURSDAY

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

## This Week's Four Streams Bible Reading Plan

- July 13** Acts 4-6, 2 Chr. 23-24, Psalm 10, Proverbs 19  
**July 14** Acts 7-9, 2 Chronicles 25-26, Psalm 11  
**July 15** Acts 10-12, 2 Chronicles 27-28, Psalm 12  
**July 16** Acts 13-15, 2 Chronicles 29-30  
**July 17** Acts 16-18, 2 Chronicles 31-32, Psalm 13  
**July 18** Acts 19-21, 2 Chr. 33-34, Psalm 14, Proverbs 20  
**July 19** Acts 22-24, 2 Chronicles 35-36, Psalm 15

## Announcements

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.

**You are Encouraged** to submit prayer requests and praises via the communication card by placing it in the offering basket at the appropriate time. Also, please use the card to update personal information for the church office, as well as requesting further information about congregational life.

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.

**Just a Reminder...** We have a "**Blessings Food Pantry**" which is now located in the foyer. The items are there for you to use as needed!! Please help yourselves.

**TLC is needed at SCMC on the facility and grounds!** In the foyer is a list of small tasks that need to be completed on our church home. Anytime you have some extra time and would like to help out in this way, check the list and see what you can do. Thank you!

## Keep in Your Prayers

**Bob Bergey**, as he recovers from surgery and rehabilitates

**Fred Brunstetter**, as he habilitates from a stroke

**Dan Meehan**, as he rehabilitates from ankle fusion surgery

**Jeffrey Cressman**, as he prepares to re-enter home life

**Youth Missions Trip to Guatemala**

**Safety** during Summer Vacations

**Time** to be Re-energized

**God's Direction** to be made known to His people

## Ministry Opportunities and Events

The **Annual Conference of Conservative Mennonite Conference** will be held at Naumburg Mennonite Church in Castorland, New York, July 31 to August 3, 2014. The theme this year is "Faithfulness in the Home." You can find a brochure on the table in the Chapel.

All Ladies are invited to a **Picnic with Lawn & Table Games** at Lisa Walters' home on Monday evening, August 4. Please sign up if you would like to attend; if you can bring an item, sign up for the one item you are willing to bring. Once all the food items are signed up for, sign up on one of the other lines to let us know you're coming and just bring yourself!! We hope to see many women in attendance!

**Women of Faith 2014** is coming to Philadelphia September 5 and 6. The theme is *From Survival to Revival*, transform your soul, awaken your spirit and revive your faith! One low price includes seating, Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast buffet, one night at the Philadelphia Airport Hilton and transportation by Motorcoach. The cost is \$205.50 to \$248.50, depending on two-, three- or four-person occupancy in your hotel room. Look for packets of information at the church on Sunday. If you have any questions, please talk to Amy Frace.

The **Fall Men's Retreat** is September 26-28. It will be held at Bergey's cabin in Tunkhannock. The speaker will be Dan Krug from Spruce Lake Retreat Center. The topic is "Vital Signs." The cost will be \$50 for the weekend; \$35 for those who want to just come up for Saturday.

## Serving Others

### TODAY

#### Nursery

Jenn Matcke

Jasmine Cox

#### Greeters

Dan & Sue Reed

#### Worship Team

Dan Reed

#### Ushers

Randy Willard

Neal Kempf

Harold Lehman

Tim Walters

Chip Shimko

**Children's Message** Val Newcomer

### NEXT WEEK: (July 20)

Naphtali Walters

Nick Mace

Scott & Sheryl Richards

Sandy Faust

Bob Kemmerer

Rob Ibach

Lee Walters

John Cressman

Randy Willard

Kelly Schoch

## Attendance and Giving

<u>OFFERING ON JULY 6</u>	\$4,769.00
<u>OFFERING YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	\$137,792.40
<u>BUDGET YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	\$158,147.00
<u>ATTENDANCE ON JULY 6</u>	112

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Jared Frace – July 14	Mark Geosits – July 15
Matthew Bergey – July 14	Erika Schmidt – July 16
Lou Fontanez – July 14	Becca Olsen – July 17

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Phil & Lena Lakjer – July 13	Walt & Joan Murphy – July 18
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## Information

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## Sermon Notes

### *“The Importance of Baptism”*

Mark 1:9-11

Pastor David Kochsmeier



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July 13, 2014