

Today

Welcome to this wonderful worship service. All of heaven is joining us in rejoicing today!

What is the most important personal decision you can make? Your vocational choice? Your spouse? Where you will live? How many children to raise? When to retire? While all of these things are important decisions, there is absolutely no decision as important as to where you will spend your eternity. **Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)**

Today, we celebrate the decision **Danielle and Ruth Forero** have made to have Jesus Christ be both their Savior and Lord. They will be baptized as a public declaration of their decision.

In preparation for baptism, Pastor David will be speaking on the **"Baptism of Jesus" in Mark 1:9-11.**

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.

This Week

March 18 - 23

TUESDAY

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

THURSDAY

7:30 p.m. Worship Team Practice

This Week's Bible Reading Plan

Week 12

- Deuteronomy 6-9; Luke 7
- Deuteronomy 10-14; Psalm 5; Luke 8
- Deuteronomy 15-18; Psalm 115; Luke 9
- Deuteronomy 19-22; Psalm 6; Luke 10
- Deuteronomy 23-26; Luke 11

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.

Pastor David and Bev leave tonight for Paris, France and then on to Morocco and Spain. Please use the March Prayer Guide for details about praying for them. Please contact one of the Elders or Sheryl Richards for any pastoral needs during Pastor David's absence.

The **Outreach Commission** will be meeting next Sunday, March 24, at 8:00 a.m.

Dinner Party! on Saturday evening, March 30, at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this event and sign up to be either a **Guest or Host** for the evening. Hosts will provide the main meal for the Guests coming to their house, and Guests will be asked to bring either a side dish or dessert to the home where they will be assigned. But shhh... it's a surprise! Don't tell others where you are going! Each Host will be told ahead of time how many Guests to expect but not who will be coming. **Sign up by March 24** on the sheet provided in the foyer to indicate that you are wishing to participate and whether you would like to be a Host or Guest.

Why Saturday Night Alive (SNA)?

The **vision of SCMC is to give EVERYONE, EVERYDAY, EVERYWHERE** the opportunity of developing a life-changing relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ. Working in partnership with other Christ-centered ministries, our long-term goal is **SATURATION** of the Lehigh Valley. To intentionally move in that direction, SCMC is beginning **"Saturday Night Alive"** starting **April 6, at 7:00 p.m.** SCMC will be one church offering two different service times. Pray that God would use both the Saturday evening and Sunday morning gatherings to draw people into a life changing relationship.

Get your calendars out and write down the special **Holy Week services** that will be held at SCMC. **Good Friday Service (7 PM) April 19; Easter Celebration (SNA) April 20; Sunrise Service (7 AM) and Easter Celebration (9:30 AM) April 21.**

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! Lydia Mohler will lead our discussion time and there will be plenty of time for games, hiking, etc.! Please sign-up on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to attend.

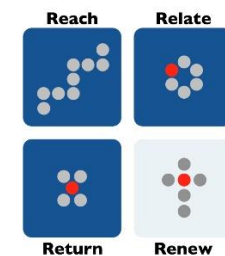
Ministry Opportunities & Events

Preparing meals for someone in need: As most of you probably know, the Fellowship Commission will occasionally schedule meals for someone in our church family when there is need. This is usually a situation where someone is hospitalized, or birth of a baby, etc. This is an important way that we as a church family can give and receive support from each other! Please sign up in the church foyer if you would like to help in this way.

On **Sunday, March 31**, we will be receiving a special offering designated for the **Caring Fund**. You may remember the Finance Commission with the blessing of Council reviewed the way we meet congregational and community needs. It was decided that every 5th Sunday in a month, we would have the opportunity to give directly to meeting the financial needs we were made aware of. So far this quarter we have helped meet a SCMC family's desperate need, bless the Steel City Fire Company and Dewey Fire & Ambulance with over \$1,700.00.

The **Youth Group** participated in **World Vision's 30 Hour Famine** on March 1-2. As part of their experience they are conducting a food drive for Everlasting Life Ministries. The Steel City community and the church community are invited to participate. Please turn all donations in today.

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:

Bev Kochsmeier – March 19
Madeline Shank – March 19
David Truong – March 21
Jaylen Lesser – March 22

Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON MARCH 10: \$4,725.86

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$5,385.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$340.00

YTD OFFERING: \$52,519.42

YTD BUDGET: \$53,850.00

ATTENDANCE ON MARCH 10: 126

Serving Others

TODAY

Nursery Becky Brooks
Emily McSloy

Worship Ldr. Dan Reed

Children's Message Rachel Feenstra

NEXT WEEK: (Mar 24)

Sue Reed
Alyssa Richards

Robert Bergey

Kelly Schoch



Information

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Sunday School Information

2 - 4 YEAR OLDS

Led by Aleta DeToma
Helper, Denise Ibach
Room B6

GRADES 2 & 3

Led by Becky Lesser
Room LL 2

JUNIOR HIGH (GRADES 6-8)

Led by Randy Willard
Room LL 3

ADULT CLASS

Led by Joel Mohler
Chapel

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1

Led by Becky Thatcher
Helper, Jazmyn Cunningham
Room LL1

GRADES 4 & 5

Led by Wayne Matthews
Room LL 4

SENIOR HIGH (GRADES 9-12)

Led by Jessica Bergey
Youth Room



“Baptism of Jesus”

Mark 1:9-11
Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



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March 17, 2019

Everyone. Everyday. Everywhere.