"The Lord is risen; He is risen indeed!"

This traditional Easter greeting and response crystallizes our purpose for worship this morning. As we meet together, we joyously celebrate the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ!

Pastor David, during the ministry of the Word, will be speaking on "Responses to the Resurrection". The scripture text is Matthew 27:62-66.

For personal reflection: "What is your response to the news of the resurrection of Jesus Christ?"

This Wee	k March 28-April 2
MONDAY	
MONDAY	Ohumah Ohumail Malatin a
7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
TUESDAY	
8:00 a.m.	Koffee & Konversation, Hellertown Diner
WEDNESDAY	
12:00 p.m.	Lunch Bunch, The Bayou
6:30 p.m.	Good News Club, Lower Level
6:30 p.m.	Ignite, Lower Level
7:00 p.m.	Connect, Youth Room
7:00 p.m.	Gospel of Luke Bible Study
THURSDAY	
6:30 p.m.	Back to the Cross Practice
SATURDAY	
10:00 a.m.	Back to the Cross Dress Rehearsal

This Week's Discipleship Journal Reading Plan

March 27	Catch up day
March 28	Matthew 27:57-66, Romans 15:1-13, Psalms 69:19-36, Deuteronomy 29-31
March 29	Matthew 28:1-10, Romans 15:14-33, Psalms 70, Deuteronomy 32
March 30	Matthew 28.11-20, Romans 16, Psalms 71, Deuteronomy 33-34
March 31	Mark 1:1-8, 1 Corinthians 1:1-17, Psalms 72, Joshua 1-2
April 1	Mark 1:9-20, 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Psalms 73, Joshua 3-5
April 2	Mark 1:21-34, 1 Corinthians 2, Psalms 74, Joshua 6-7

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.

There will be **no** Worship Team Practice on Thursday night.

Back to the Cross Performers: A reminder that there will be practice this Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. and the dress rehearsal will be on Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

Our **March Lunch Bunch** will be this Wednesday, at 12 noon. We will be going to **The Bayou** in Bethlehem. The restaurant is located at 702 Hawthorne Road in Bethlehem. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

The Fellowship Commission will be having a **Baby Shower** for Britney Kempf next Sunday, April 3 following Sunday School. A light lunch will be served followed by the shower. Please bless Britney with diapers, wipes, or gift cards to Wal-Mart or Target. All ladies are invited to attend.

"Back to the Cross" Performance will be held next Sunday evening, April 3 at 6:30 pm. This is a perfect opportunity to invite your coworkers, family and friends. You do the inviting and allow God's Spirit to speak to them. We will be having a **Time of Fellowship following the Play**. If you are willing and able to bring a **Plate of Cookies** for this evening, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer. Thank you!

Attention SCMC Women: The women's weekend at Sugar Hollow is coming up in just a few weeks! April 8 - 10 all women are invited to the Bergey cabin in Tunkhannock, PA. This is an awesome time to connect with other women for times of sharing, games, hiking, and getting away from the routine. This year for our group time we are having numerous persons share on Friday night, Saturday morning and Sunday morning for 10-15 minutes each about their "story" or "faith journey". Saturday night we will be having a fun movie to watch (feel free to suggest one that you may want to watch!). Becky thanks many of you who have already agreed to share with the group and welcomes any others who are planning to attend, to let her know if you would like to come prepared to share -- this is completely optional and there is going to be no pressure to share if you are not feeling comfortable with that. The cost for the weekend is only \$25 (to give to the owners of the cabin) and each woman will assist in bringing food for and helping with one of the meals for the weekend. We will try to arrange car-pooling from the church on Friday night. Sign up in the foyer or let Becky Bergey know if you would like to come! Hope to see you there and feel free to bring a friend!

In April, Pastor David will lead the class, "**Exploring Baptism and Church Membership**". Each class is made up of two sessions. If you desire to make your commitment to follow Jesus Christ public through baptism or you would like to make a recommitment of your faith through water baptism, this class is for you. Additionally, if you have been baptized as an adult or youth and are members of another Christian fellowship you are encouraged to become members of this house of faith. Parents, this is a good time to begin talking to your children about making Jesus Christ Lord of their life. The first class will be April 5 at 7:00 p.m. & April 9 at 9:00 a.m.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner! on Saturday evening, April 23, at 6:00 p.m. The theme question for this event is, "If you could ask God one question and get an answer, what would it be and why?" 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 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.

April 30 is the **Men's Fishing Trip** off the New Jersey coast. The cost is \$80 per person. Indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Silver Saint/Fall Field Trip: This October 17-19, David and Bev would like to host a three (3) day trip to the Millersburg/Berlin, Ohio region. Plans include two nights lodging at the absolutely fabulous Barn Inn Bed and Breakfast; being a tourist at places like Keim Lumber, the Amish Store, Coblentz Chocolates, Walnut Creek Cheese, Yoder Bargain Store, Vogt's General Store, Warther Museum; evening meal with an Amish family and as much more as time allows. The projected cost is \$605 double occupancy and \$460 single occupancy. We must make reservations at the Barn Inn not later than the end of March as October is their busiest month. The sign-up sheet is in the foyer. You will not want to miss this trip!

Ministry Opportunities & Events

Last Sunday, Pastor David shared about Laxmi, the 4-5 year old Indian girl that is leaking urine from her abdomen. He also shared about Raju, the disabled man whose 3-wheel bicycle is falling apart. In response, many gave contributions or asked if they could give them next Sunday. Thank you for your genuine outpouring of love! Just a reminder: the surgery Laxmi needs will cost \$1,780 (US) and the bicycle will cost \$380 (US). If you would like to participate in meeting these needs you may contribute through today. Thanks again.

Tara Willard is in need of a helper for the 3rd/4th grade class from April 10 to June 19. Please let Tara know if you are available for this opportunity to serve our children.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

David Kochsmeier – March 27 Lora Weiss – March 28 Jessica Bergey – March 31 Jason Lesser – April 2 Sandy Malitzki – April 2

Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON MARCH 20: \$5725.12

ATTENDANCE ON MARCH 20: 166

Serving Others

TODAY

NEXT WEEK: (Apr. 3)

Nursery **Becky Thatcher** Meghan Cela Darlene Hein (Alt.) Nick Mace (Alt.) T'vanna Ruiz Jaylen Lesser Bobby & Britney Kempf Dave & Susie Kempf Greeters Worship Ldr. Dan Reed Sandy Faust Ushers Greg Feenstra Scott Richards Nick Mace Lee Walters John Cressman Bobby Kempf

Children's Message Danette Walters Rachel Feenstra

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Sunday School Information

2-YEAR OLDS Led by Janet Heft Helper, Becky Lesser Upstairs Nursery

PRE-K/KINDERGARTEN Led by Nick Mace Helper, Rose Szabo Room LL2

GRADES 8-12 Led by Greg & Rachel Feenstra Youth Room

ADULT CLASS – Adventure Of Making Disciples Elective Led by Pastor David Lower Level Classroom

3-YEAR OLDS Led by Nancy Walters Helper, Kim Matthews Room B6

GRADES 1-7 Practice for Back to the Cross Sanctuary

ADULT CLASS - International Sunday School Lesson Elective Led by Joel Mohler Chapel



"Responses to the Resurrection"

Matthew 27: 62-66 Pastor David K. Kochsmeier

STEEL CITY MENNONITE CHURCH BETHLEHEM, PA

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