

Today

Fifty (50) days ago, many of us here today gathered in this same space (the Upper Room) to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Today, we gather in this space to celebrate the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on the day known as Pentecost.

Fifty (50) days isn't really that long unless your world has been rocked with a "bomb-like" tragedy that leaves emotional craters of uncertainty and fear. This was the case for the 1st century followers of Jesus. In a short period of time they went from "Jesus is dead" to "He's ALIVE" to "Jesus is with us" to "He's leaving" to "Gone!". Allow your mind to process their roller coaster life in a short time.

Those early disciples of Jesus needed comforting and encouraging! WE need comforting and encouraging! The coming of the Holy Spirit is the indwelling gift of God to comfort and encourage every Christ follower. As Christ followers indwelt with the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to boldly share the Gospel message and build a community of faith that demonstrates God's transforming love for everyone, everyday, everywhere.

Today, we begin a new series, "Our Church On Mission". This summer series is based on the acts of the Holy Spirit in the early church. The message today is "The Spirit of God Arrives". The scripture text is Acts 2:1-4.

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:30 p.m. SOAP Bible Study

This Week

May 21 - 26

MONDAY

6:30 p.m. Softball Game, Fountain Hill

TUESDAY

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

6:30 p.m. Softball Game, South Mountain

WEDNESDAY

5:00 p.m. Good News Club, Senior & Junior Youth Group Picnic at Louise Moore Park

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Baptism Class

7:30 p.m. Worship Team Practice

This Week's Bible Reading Plan

May 20 Luke 7
May 21 Luke 8
May 22 Luke 9
May 23 Luke 10
May 24 Luke 11
May 25 Luke 12
May 26 Luke 13

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.

As weekend plans take you away from worshipping at SCMC this summer, you are encouraged to listen to the music and message through the **SCMC App**. The theme, "**Our Church On Mission**", implies each one working together for maximum Gospel impact. The weekly teachings are important to keep us working together.

We have a Mexican themed **Fellowship Meal** today following Sunday School. Everyone is welcome to attend.

SOAP Bible Study will be meeting tonight at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, May 31 at 7:00 p.m. Different times, different scriptures, different revelations!

There will be a **Softball Game** tomorrow evening at 6:30 p.m. at Fountain Hill. There will also be a game on Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. at South Mountain.

This Wednesday, May 23, is our last night of **Youth Group and Good News Club** for the school year. We will be having a picnic that day at Louise Moore Park - pavilion #3, 151 Country Club Rd. Easton, PA 18045. The picnic begins at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. This is open to all Youth Group and Good News Club families!

Our **May Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, May 30, at 12 noon. We will be going to Captain Bob's Seafood in Quakertown. The restaurant is located at 609 S. West End Blvd #5 in Quakertown. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

"Exploring Baptism" - Baptism is an outward expression of an inward transformation that has occurred when you put your faith in God through Jesus Christ. It is this faith that makes you a child of God, giving you new birth into God's family. Jesus asks us to be baptized and modeled that for us by Himself being baptized as an adult. "Exploring Baptism" is a one-session class designed to help you understand baptism and to prepare you for this significant, spiritual milestone. "Exploring Baptism" will be held this Thursday, May 24 (7:00 pm) and Sunday, June 3 (during Sunday School). Please inform Pastor David or one of the Elders of your interest in attending either of these classes.

You are invited to attend **Multiply 2018**, July 20-22, in Montgomery, Indiana. Multiply Conference is the new name for what has traditionally been known as "Annual Conference." The theme this year is "Catch God's Purpose." A bulletin containing information about Multiply 2018 and how to register is on the table in the foyer.

Ministry Opportunities & Events

Open Treasury Opportunities:

Chuck Hittinger (Medical needs)

Tossenou's (China)

Pastor John Prasad/Orphanage Support (India)

VBS Volunteers Needed!! VBS will be held June 24-28, Sunday – Thursday. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are up on the large white board in the chapel. Please sign up where you would like to help and indicate whether you need a tie-dyed t-shirt and what size. If you already have a tie-dyed shirt, please use that one. In order to have enough shirts available, **all volunteers need to sign up by Sunday, June 10.**

A **snack donation** sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board too as well as DVD and CD requests. DVD's are \$15 and CD's are \$7 and are available for purchase now from Tara.

VBS is for children age 2 through those who completed 5th grade. **Register online** at scmc4.me or paper registrations will be on the sign-up sheet table. Please pre-register all church children and put paper registrations in Tara Willard's mailbox.

Please spread the word and **invite your friends to VBS!** Flyers are available on the sign-up sheet table to give out to others.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Tiffany Faust – May 20
Gary Halsel – May 21
Bob Kemmerer – May 22
Gladys Clemens – May 25

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Greg & Rachel Feenstra – May 22

Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON MAY 13: \$6,420.50

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$5,794.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$50.00

YTD OFFERING: \$97,323.06

YTD BUDGET: \$110,086.00

ATTENDANCE ON MAY 13: 157

Serving Others

	<u>TODAY</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK: (May 27)</u>
Nursery	Becky Bergey Rachael Litke	Rose Szabo Jaylen Lesser
Greeters	Mary Eleanor Kochsmeier Phil & Lena Lakjer	
Worship Ldr.	Robert Bergey	Dan Reed
Ushers	Rob Ibach Greg Feenstra Bobby Kempf	Scott Richards Lee Walters John Cressman
Children's Message	None	Rachel Feenstra



Information

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Sunday School Information

2 & 3 YEAR OLDS

Led by Aleta DeToma
Upstairs Nursery

PRE – K

Led by Becky Lesser
Room B6

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1

Led by Rose Szabo
and Becky Thatcher
Room LL 1

GRADES 2 & 3

Led by Lydia Mohler
Room LL 2

GRADES 4 & 5

Led by Wayne Matthews
Room LL 4

JUNIOR HIGH

Led by Jess Bergey
Room LL 3

ADULT CLASS

Led by Joel Mohler
Chapel



“The Spirit of God Arrives”

Acts 2:1-4
Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



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May 20, 2018

Everyone. Everyday. Everywhere.