Today

As Joshua was preparing to lead the children of Israel into the Promised Land, God gave specific instructions for Joshua to "be strong and courageous". This stands in stark contrast to the ten spies that went into the Promised Land some decades before. We are told "their hearts melted like wax" at the sight of giant inhabitants of the land.

As Paul concludes his letter to the Corinthian church, he gives a similar instruction. "Stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong" he says. These words are still applicable to us today as we face the "giants" around us. The scripture lesson today is titled, "Strength and Love" and is taken from I Corinthians 16:13-14.

May we have ears to hear what the Spirit says to us today.

6:00 p.m. Bible Study, Chapel

This week

November 24-29

MONDAY

6:45 p.m. Beth Moore Study, Chapel

TUESDAY

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

7:00 p.m. Church Council

WEDNESDAY

12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch, Feasta Pizza, Hellertown

7:00 p.m. Evening of Prayer

This Week's Four Streams Bible Reading Plan

November 23 1 Cor. 7-9, Ezekiel 45-46, Psalm 120, Prov. 22 November 24 1 Corinthians 10-12, Ezekiel 47-48, Psalm 121

November 25 1 Corinthians 13-14, Daniel 1-2 November 26 1 Corinthians 15-16, Daniel 3-4

November 27 2 Corinthians 1-3, Daniel 5-6, Psalm 122 November 28 2 Cor. 4-6, Daniel 7-8, Psalm 123, Proverbs 23

November 29 2 Corinthians 7-9, Daniel 9-10, Psalm 124

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.

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.

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 **Sunday School** for all ages. Please refer to the back of your bulletin to see where each class will be meeting.

Our **November Lunch Bunch** is this Wednesday at Feasta Pizza at <u>1826 Leithsville Rd in Hellertown</u>, not the one in Bethlehem, as per the Toilet Paper. Please sign up on the sheet provided if you would like to attend.

Tara Willard is in need of a helper for the 3- and 4-year old Sunday School class. Please let her know if you would like to serve in this way. Thank you.

The **Beth Moore Study Group** meets tomorrow evening at <u>6:45</u> p.m.

Church Council meets on Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

There is a **Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Breakfast** on Sunday, December 7, at 8:30 a.m. for all who are currently teaching Sunday School. Please RSVP to Tara by Wednesday, December 3.

Attention Ladies! We are having an **Advent Tea** this year on Saturday, December 6, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All ladies (and little ladies) are invited! Join us for a celebration of the Christmas Season. There is no charge for this special occasion. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

Celebrate Christmas with international recording artist, Carolyn Arends, on Saturday evening, December 6. Ms. Arends will debut her Christmas album titled "Celebrating Christmas". Our sanctuary is well-suited to host this event. Tickets are now available at \$10 per ticket.

Announcements

Saturday, December 6, is our **Holiday Baby Sitting Night.** The youth group will be providing free babysitting for infants through 5th grade from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Please feed your child dinner before they come and a snack will be provided. When you drop off your child, please enter through the lower level doors. Please note that this is the same night as the Carolyn Arends concert at the church. Drop off your kids, grab dinner with your spouse, and come back for a **Christmas Concert Date Night.** Today is the final day to sign up for the **Holiday Baby Sitting** so that craft supplies can be purchased for the number of children present.

Join us on Sunday, December 14, at 6:30 p.m. for an "UnFrozen Christmas Program--Do you want to Meet a Savior?" Let us transform an old "once upon a time" story into an evening of joyful worship, playful presentation, and a fresh examination into the story of Jesus' birth. A wonderful Christmas experience for all ages!!! Invite your friends and family to join us for this special event.

Our **SCMC Marriage Retreat** held at Spruce Lake Retreat Center will be held on March 6-8, 2015. The speakers will be Clayton and Marlene Glickert from Syracuse, New York. The cost per couple is \$325.

Serving Others

TODAY		NEXT WEEK: (Nov. 30)
Nursery	Val Newcomer Lydia Mohler Alicia Smith	Jenn Matcke Becky Bergey Jasmyne Cox
Greeters	Char & Mim Brunstette	er Jim Brunstetter
Worship Team	Dan Reed	Sandy Faust
Ushers	Tim Walters Chip Shimko Bob Kemmerer Rob Ibach Greg Feenstra	Nick Mace Aaron Kochsmeier Bobby Kempf Scott Richards Lee Walters
Children's Message Tara Willard		Kelly Schoch

Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON NOVEMBER 16 \$4,838.52

ATTENDANCE ON NOVEMBER 16 160

Birthdays and Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Ally Frace – November 23 Chuck Hittinger – November 26 Kaylyn Weiss – November 24 Bob Bergey – November 28

Natassja Keating – November 25

Information

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Sunday School Information

2-YEAR OLDS
Led by Tara Willard
Helper, Kim Matthews
Upstairs Nursery

3- AND 4-YEAR OLDSLed by Becky Hutchinson
Helper, Shirley Liedig
Room B6

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1

Led by Rachel Feenstra Helper, Sheryl Richards Room LL1 GRADES 2-4
Led by Amy Frace
Helper, Mary Lou Shimko
Room LL2

GRADES 5-8

Led by Anita McSloy Room LL4

SENIOR YOUTH

Led by Sandy Faust and Jen Matcke Youth Room

ADULT CLASS

David Cook Uniform Lesson Led by Joel Mohler & Sue Reed Chapel

ADULT CLASS

"Love and Respect" by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs Led by Marriage Retreat Committee Sanctuary



"Strength and Love"

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Pastor David K. Kochsmeier

