

"I am the true vine ..."



September 1, 2013  
9:30 AM

## Welcome to Worship!

Anthem of Praise

Worship Team

Invitation to Worship

Tithes and Offerings Received

Expressing Our Praise in Song

Worship Team

Pastoral Prayer

Message: *"Life on the Vine"*

Song of Response

Worship Team

Announcements

Benediction

Out of courtesy to others, it is important that distractions during the Worship Service be minimal. 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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introducing the **"Blessings Food Pantry"** located in the office area. The items are there for you to use as needed. Say you need jelly for your child's lunch, take it. Say you need groceries to hold you to the next check, take them. Say you have extra mac and cheese at your house, bring it. Everybody can be blessed either by providing or by using!

**You are Encouraged** to submit prayer requests and praises via the communication card by placing it in the offering basket at the appropriate time.

We have **Hearing Assist Units** available for those who may have difficulty hearing the service. Please speak the person in the sound room to receive your unit for the morning.

**Men 18 and older** are invited to meet in the lower level for a **time of fellowship and prayer** every Sunday morning at 8:45 a.m.

How about a **cup of coffee and a bit of fellowship** before the worship service for those that don't fall into the above category?! The coffee in the Chapel is ready to drink by 8:45 a.m. every Sunday morning. Everyone is welcome!

There is **No Sunday School** today.

There will be a **short meeting for first quarter Sunday School teachers and helpers** immediately following the Morning Worship Service downstairs in the fellowship hall.

The **Adult Sunday School class** that meets in the sanctuary this Fall will study Rick Warren's book, "What on Earth Am I Here For?". This is the updated version of his book, "The Purpose Driven Life". If you plan on attending this class and did not receive a book last week, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer to indicate the media of your choice—book or Kindle version, so these can be ordered.

Most people attend church for the first time because someone invited them personally. There are **Church Cards** in the foyer to help you become a **"People of Invitation"**. Take enough so you can hand them out to other parents, coworkers, friends and family.

Meet for **Weekly Koffee and Konversation** at the Hellertown Diner on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Come and enjoy a great time of fellowship together!

The **Tuesday Evening Weekly Prayer Meeting** meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Come and be blessed.

The **Men's Wednesday Evening Bible Study** will not meet this week. The men are asked to begin reading Romans in preparation for the September 11 meeting. Bill Tynan will be leading our discussion time.

We will have a **Fellowship Meal** next Sunday. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert to share.

**Sunday Evening Bible Study** resumes next Sunday at 6:30 pm. We will continue our in depth look at Proverbs.

**Good News Club and Youth Group** both begin next Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. This year, we will be having our **Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meal** at 5:45 p.m., available each week we meet for these activities. Please sign up if you plan to attend. Larry Korpics has consented to prepare our meals this year. Thank you, Larry!!

**Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University** will be held this fall beginning Wednesday, September 11. We will meet weekly in the Chapel, beginning at 6:45 p.m. This is a great opportunity to be challenged with practical steps to strengthen your finances. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

**Attention Ladies!** We will be starting up with a **Beth Moore Study** on Monday evening, September 16, meeting every other week. This year's study is titled "Seeking a Heart like His, Lessons from David". Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to participate.

On Saturday, October 5, the **Youth Group** will be participating along with other youth groups in a corn maze activity--**Corning Stalking USA**--in the dark at a farm located in Pottstown. This Christian run farm offers a corn maze game followed by refreshments and a short video. Cost is \$8.00 per person, but we need to confirm our registration three weeks in advance. **Therefore, permission forms and money will be due on Wednesday, September 11, at our first youth group meeting.** Permission forms and sign-up sheets are in the foyer and will be at the picnic on Wednesday evening.

Our **Church Family Retreat** will be held October 18-20, 2013, at Spruce Lake Retreat Center. This year's theme is "Building Bridges" with Bob Plank serving as our resource person. Bob is a lay leader at the Locust Grove Mennonite Church, Belleville, PA. He is very involved in sharing the good news of Jesus Christ all over the world. This year's cost is \$90 per adult and \$30 per child, age 6-17. Children 5 and under are free. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

**If you are in need of Pastoral Care this week**, please contact one of the Elders, Ron Faust, Kevin Olsen or Mark Walters, or Pastor Bob or Pastor Char. If you have a prayer request, please contact Sheryl Richards.

**This Week's Chronological Bible Reading Plan Schedule:**

September 1, Ezekiel 18-19; September 2, Ezekiel 20-21;  
September 3, Ezekiel 22-23; September 4, Ezekiel 24-27;  
September 5, Ezekiel 28-31; September 6, Ezekiel 32-34;  
September 7, Ezekiel 35-37.

Please use the **Communication Card** included in this worship folder to update personal information for the church office, as well as requesting further information about congregational life. **Visiting friends are encouraged to complete this card** so that we can get better acquainted. Please place your completed card in the offering basket this morning.

**THIS WEEK AT SCMC**

**Sunday:** Sunday School Meeting, 11:15 AM  
**Tuesday:** Koffee & Konversation, 8:00 AM  
Prayer Meeting, 7:00 PM  
**Thursday:** Worship Team Practice, 7:30 PM  
**Sunday:** Men's Fellowship, 8:45 AM  
Fellowship Meal, 12:15 PM  
Bible Study, 6:30 PM

**THIS WEEK:**

**Nursery:** Jenn Matcke  
Jasmine Cox  
**Greeters:** Tim & Lisa Walters  
**Worship Team:** Victor Sabatino  
**Ushers:** Chip Shimko  
Bob Kemmerer  
Rob Ibach

**NEXT WEEK: (Sept. 8)**

Denise Ibach  
Maya Washington  
Randy & Tara Willard  
Dan Reed  
Lee Walters  
John Cressman  
Randy Willard

**OFFERING ON AUGUST 25:** \$5,173.00

**ATTENDANCE ON AUGUST 25:** 162

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:**

Becky Mace – September 1  
Jazmyn Ricks – September 4  
Jimmy Cox – September 5  
Gail Nolf – September 7

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:**

Pastor David & Bev – September 3

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