

## Today

Have you ever tried playing a game without any rules? Was the result utter chaos?

What about playing a game where “house” rules were different than your rules? What was that outcome? Whose rules did you follow? Who decided what rules to play by?

Today, we observe the Apostle Paul’s thoughts about different rules for different people. Pastor David shares from I Corinthians 8 in a message titled, “Addressing Gray Areas”.

**6:00 p.m.** Talent Night, Sanctuary

## This week

September 15-20

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

**7:00 p.m.** Evening of Prayer, Sanctuary

### THURSDAY

**7:30 p.m.** Worship Team Practice, Sanctuary

## This Week’s Four Streams Bible Reading Plan

**September 14** Titus 1-3, Isaiah 22-23, Psalm 62, Proverbs 4

**September 15** John 1-3, Isaiah 24-25, Psalm 63

**September 16** John 4-6, Isaiah 26-27, Psalm 64

**September 17** John 7-9, Isaiah 28-29

**September 18** John 10-12, Isaiah 30-31, Psalm 65

**September 19** John 13-15, Isaiah 32-33, Psalm 66, Proverbs 5

**September 20** John 16-18, Isaiah 34-35, Psalm 67

## Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON SEPTEMBER 7 \$6,532.00

ATTENDANCE ON SEPTEMBER 7 156

## 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.

We have **Sunday School** for all ages. Please refer to the back of your bulletin to see where each class will be meeting. Adults have two options, the David C. Cook Uniform Lesson taught by Joel Mohler and Sue Reed in the Chapel, and a book study, “*Love and Respect*” by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs, taught by the Marriage Retreat Committee in the Sanctuary.

**Cleansing Stream Seminar**... Sunday evenings, beginning next Sunday, we will be working through the Cleansing Stream material. This is a wonderful seminar that equips you with the tools to become free from the bondage of sin, demonic oppression and generational bondage. There is still room at the table for you to participate in this life changing opportunity. Childcare will be provided.

We have a **Fellowship Meal** next Sunday following Sunday School. Please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert to share. Remember, we hope to have many visitors next week for our **National Back-to-Church Sunday**, so bring some extra food!

Our **September Lunch Bunch** will be on Wednesday, September 24, at 12 noon. We will be meeting at Diner 248 and, as the name implies, it is on Route 248 off of Route 33. It is Bev’s understanding that they have some great looking desserts at this diner!!

**Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner** on Saturday evening, October 4, at 6 p.m.?! 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.

**Attention Ladies!** Our October event is a trip to **Ott’s Exotic Plants** in Schwenksville on Thursday, October 9! If you are interested in this event, please sign up on the sheet provided. We will leave at 9:30 a.m. and stop for lunch on the way home.

## Ministry Opportunities and Events

**Call to Prayer**... Jesus said, “My house shall be a house of prayer” and we want to be faithful in this regard. This week we will certainly be interceding for our “Back-to-Church” Sunday. You are encouraged to meet this Wednesday evening for a time of corporate prayer. We will meet in the Sanctuary beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, SCMC will participate in the **National Back-to-Church Sunday**. Why the need for such an event? Some people have taken advantage of the summer school schedule and warmer weather: they need to get back into the routine of worshipping together on Sundays. Some people have left the church over different preferences or styles of worship: they need to be welcomed back to a healing community of faith. Some people have discounted a church experience as only a place for weddings and funerals: they need to be invited back for a better look at church life. Still others want nothing to do with church: they simply need to be invited to “Come and See”. Pray now for whom you will invite.

The **Fall Men’s Retreat** is September 26-28. It will be held at Bergey’s cabin in Tunkhannock. The speaker will be Dan Krug from Spruce Lake Retreat Center. The topic is “Vital Signs.” The cost will be \$50 for the weekend; \$35 for those who want to just come up for Saturday. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to attend.

This year’s **Church Retreat at Spruce Lake Retreat Center**, October 24-26, will be “A Praying Life: Learning to Pray in a Distracting World”. Due to the fact that the speaker needs to fly home Saturday afternoon, his portion of the retreat will be Friday evening and Saturday morning. Please note that the Friday evening session will begin at 7:00 pm. If you did not previously reply to Becky Bergey’s email and sign up for the retreat and you now wish to attend, please sign up in the foyer as soon as possible. If you indicated that you were going to attend and cannot do so, please cross your name off the list. The cost of the retreat to the church is \$382 per couple with no children or children who are 5 and under. If a family needs two rooms, the cost to the church is \$648. Meals for additional adults are \$58 per person and for children ages 6-11, it is \$29 per person. The church is only charging \$100 per adult (\$200 versus \$382) and \$30 per child 6-18. However, if you are able to pay the full amount that Spruce Lake charges the church, that would be very greatly appreciated. Thank you!

## Serving Others

### TODAY

#### **Nursery**

Jenn Matcke  
Jasmyne Cox

#### **Greeters**

Mary Ann Transue

#### **Worship Team**

Sandy Faust

#### **Ushers**

Scott Richards  
Lee Walters  
John Cressman  
Randy Willard  
Neal Kempf

#### **Children's Message** Kelly Schoch

### NEXT WEEK: (Sept. 21)

Naphtali Walters  
Maya Washington

Bob & Emily Walters

Robert Bergey

Harold Lehman

Tim Walters

Chip Shimko

Bob Kemmerer

Rob Ibach

Danette Walters

## Information

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## Sunday School Information

### **2-YEAR OLDS**

Led by Tara Willard  
Helper, Kim Matthews  
Upstairs Nursery

### **KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1**

Led by Rachel Feenstra  
Helper, Sheryl Richards  
Room LL1

### **GRADES 5-8**

Led by Anita McSloy  
Room LL4

### **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

### **3- AND 4-YEAR OLDS**

Led by Becky Hutchinson  
Helper, Shirley Liedig  
Room B6

### **GRADES 2-4**

Led by Amy Frace  
Helper, Mary Lou Shimko  
Room LL2

### **SENIOR YOUTH**

Led by Sandy Faust  
and Jen Matcke  
Youth Room



## ***"Addressing Gray Areas"***

1 Corinthians 8

Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



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