

Today

May God encourage your heart as we meet together for worship today!

The **“Our Church On Mission”** sermon series continues today with an examination of Acts 17:16-34. The Apostle Paul arrives in Athens, Greece. While he is waiting for his traveling companions to join him, Paul walks around the city. His heart is overwhelmed with the idolatry embraced by the Athenians. It was this culture that caused Paul to share Jesus.

As followers of Christ Jesus today, we live surrounded by a culture of idolatry. Modern day idols rarely take the form of graven images crafted from wood or stone, but society worships things like possessions, power, sex, money, sports and many other things that promise satisfaction. So, the question before us is, “How do we share Jesus in the context of our culture?”. Drawing from Acts 17:16-34, Pastor David will answer this question in the sermon, **“Cultural Context”**.

Questions to ponder:

What idols would you say are present in the Lehigh Valley?
How are those idols destructive to those enslaved by them?
What does it look like for us to live in the world but not be of it?

12:30 p.m. Christmas Program Practice
6:30 p.m. Sing! Book Study

This Week

October 1 - 6

MONDAY

7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

TUESDAY

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

THURSDAY

7:30 p.m. Worship Team Practice

This Week's Bible Reading Plan

September 30 Matthew 6
October 1 Matthew 7
October 2 Matthew 8
October 3 Matthew 9
October 4 Matthew 10
October 5 Matthew 11
October 6 Matthew 12

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.

Practice for the **Christmas Program** will be held today from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Tonight at 6:30 p.m.: **“Sing!” Book study** meets in the Chapel. Please read chapters 2 and 3 in preparation for our discussion.

Church Council will be meeting tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday: World Communion Sunday. The sacrament of Communion will be served as a part of our morning worship service. In doing so, we recognize our union with other Christ-followers around the world. Please use this week to prepare your heart to receive Communion. Read 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

Attention all Ladies! The Fellowship Commission would like to invite you to a **Bridal Shower for Kierstin Bauman**, next Sunday, October 7, following the Sunday School hour. A light lunch will be served. Kierstin is registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Next Sunday evening, October 7, at 6:00 p.m., we are having a **Talent Night at SCMC!** If you would like to share your talent (and we hope you are willing!), sign up on the sheet in the foyer. This is always a fun time together!

Sean Guro and Kierstin Bauman will be united in marriage on Saturday, October 20, at 4:00 pm. Sean and Kierstin invite you to attend their wedding celebration. Please note: the reception is by invitation only.

On Sunday morning, October 21, the **New Creation Chorus** will be blessing us with the ministry of music. The 25-person New Creation Chorus will be joining us for our Fellowship meal so please plan on bringing an extra main dish and/or a dessert.

The Youth will be having a **Hoagie Sale** on October 24. The youth group will be raising money for Spruce Lake and the 3 – 5th graders will be raising money for a weekend trip to the Philly Project. Please see a youth to place your order. There will not be order forms in the foyer. All orders and payments must be received by October 14.

Ministry Opportunities & Events

Lehigh Valley Christian High School is having a bus trip to NYC fundraiser on November 26. The trip will include a show at Radio City Music Hall along with free time for sight-seeing and shopping. The cost is \$95.00 per person. Check out the flyer on the bulletin board or contact Deb Faust at d.faust@lvchs.org for more information.

Vision Statement:

*Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) will invite **everyone, everyday, everywhere** to journey together in developing a life-changing relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

Mission Statement:

Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) is a Bible-believing community connected by a common need for a Savior with the passion of cultivating Christ-followers in the Lehigh Valley and to the ends of the earth.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Ben Feenstra – September 30
Lydia Mohler – October 1
Doris Meehan – October 2
Brielle Willard – October 2
T'yanna Ruiz – October 5

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Andrew & Becky Brooks – October 3

Attendance and Giving

OFFERING ON SEPTEMBER 23: \$4,986.51

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$5,794.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: 0.00

YTD OFFERING: \$195,754.37

YTD BUDGET: \$220,172.00

ATTENDANCE ON SEPTEMBER 23: 141

Serving Others

TODAY

Nursery Rose Szabo
Kylie Schmidt
Worship Ldr. Robert Bergey
Children's Message Tara Willard

NEXT WEEK: (Oct 7)

Sue Reed
Alyssa Richards
Victor Sabatino
Rachel Feenstra



Information

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Sunday School Information

2 - 4 YEAR OLDS

Led by Aleta DeToma
Helper, Denise Ibach
Room B6

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 1

Led by Becky Thatcher
Helper, Danielle Mangione
Room LL1

GRADES 2 & 3

Led by Ryan Walters
Room LL 2

GRADES 4 & 5

Led by Wayne Matthews
Helper, Scott Richards
Room LL 4

JUNIOR HIGH (GRADES 6-8)

Led by Randy Willard
Room LL 3

SENIOR HIGH (GRADES 9-12)

Led by Lydia Mohler
Youth Room

ADULT CLASS

Led by Joel Mohler
Chapel



“Cultural Context”

Acts 17:16-34
Pastor David K. Kochsmeier



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