

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

April 13, 2025

10:30 AM

PALM SUNDAY

Welcome

Lighting of Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

One: As we worship this Palm Sunday, Christ collides with our expectations.

Many: Have we not collided enough?

One: In deep compassion, our Lord sets out a mission of full life.

Many: Form us fully, Jesus.

One: “Blessings on the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

Many: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens.”

All: *Our Lord, it is time for you to work in and with us as we worship you!*

Congregational Singing

Affirmation of Faith

All: *Loving and merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you.*

One: We have not loved you with all our thoughts, words, and actions.

Many: We have sinned through what we have chosen to do
and what we have chosen to neglect.

One: We have not fully accepted your love for us. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Many: We cling to our expectations, and we do not make space for you to challenge them.

All: *We repent before each other and before you, our loving God. Please help us open our hearts to your love. Help us let go of our narrow expectations so we may better share your peace in your world, rejoicing in your name. Amen.*

Leader: Now hear these words of assurance: God tells us that we are created in God’s image. God created us for relationship with God and each other. In this, we know that God will never break our relationship. God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Offertory Prayer

Children will collect coins for My Coins Count

Children’s Story

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture: Luke 19: 29-41

Message

Song of response

Benediction

Sending Song

Message: Wes Bergen

Worship Leader: Bev Critchfield

Prayer & Praises: Sherry Abel

Worship Planner: Phoebe Wiley

Accompanist: Dixie Otto

Song Leader: Deb Hoover

Reading of the Scriptures: Bev Critchfield

Children’s Story: Wes Bergen

Sound Room: Noel Livengood

Video: Reuben Tice

Live Stream: Isaac Tice

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Birthdays:

April 13 – Gary Brant
15 – Margaret Foy

Anniversaries:

April 13 – Craig & Gwen Baer,
Delmas & Mabel Yoder
19 – Doug & Lori Otto

April 6, 2025, Offering Total

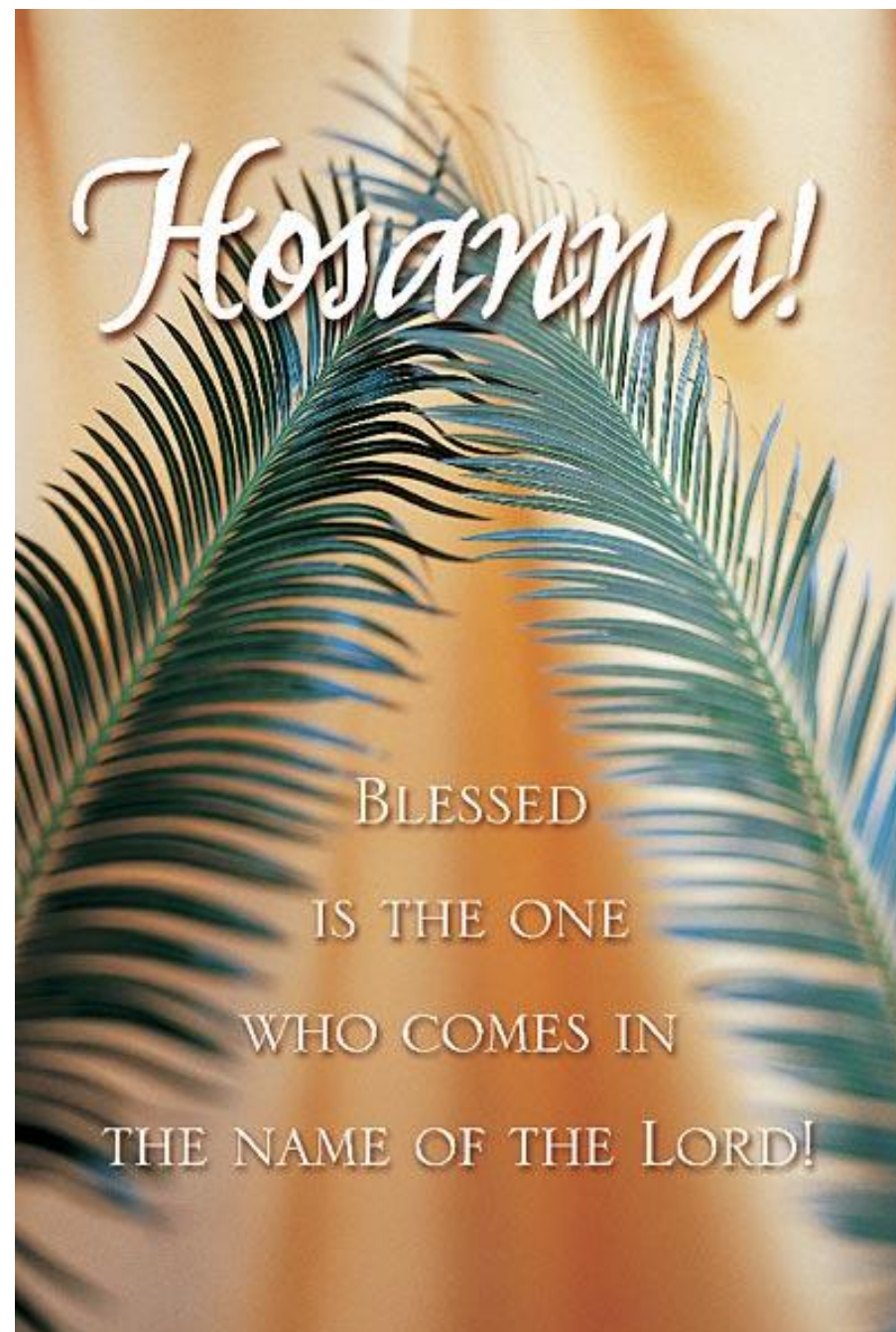
General Fund	\$5,073.00
Attendance	100



Springs Mennonite Church is Handicap Accessible

A restroom and elevator are available on the main floor. There is also a restroom located downstairs in the basement. There are also large print songbooks and hearing devices; please ask an usher for assistance with these items.


AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is located at the back of the church near the elevator.



Welcome to Springs Mennonite Church

Calendar of Events

April 16 - Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

A graphic with a blue sky and white clouds background. At the bottom, there is a green grassy field with white daisies and a small brown cross. A white box with a black border contains text about the Easter Sunday service.

April 17 – Maundy Thursday Service – 6:00 p.m.
Soup will be served, and we will have communion.
If your last name is from:
A to L bring cheese and crackers to share
M to Z bring fruit to share
18 – Good Friday – Sanctuary will be open for Prayer from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
20 – EASTER SUNDAY
Sunrise Service 8:30 a.m.
Carry-In Breakfast 9:15 a.m.
-- No Sunday school
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

*There will be no Children's Church next Sunday

April 26 - Celebration of Life for Bill Haning 11:00 a.m.

27 - The Garrett Christian Community Church Choir and Friends will present their annual Easter cantata, "It Is Finished" on Sunday evening @ 7:00 p.m. 800 Walker Street in Garrett.

April 30 – Bittering Banquet

Bittering Mennonite Church @ 6:30

10707 Bittering Road

Gospel Music, Multi-Media, Dinner,
Prison Testimonies, Ministry Updates

RSVP: Ed & Orpha Petersheim (301) 616-3238

Phil & Cindy Maust (814) 233-3335

Joyce Schrock (240) 362-1463

May

3 - Girl Named Tom will be at Laurelville Retreat Center's new Gathering Place on Saturday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m. — \$40.00 a person at <https://tinyurl.com/bddm2z6d>

10 - Faith at 500 – 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m @ Spring Valley Bruderhof, 100 Spring Valley Road, Farmington, PA – One-day conference celebrating the witness and faith of Anabaptists' movement birthed 500 years ago. RSVP 724-329-4462 or rsvpspringvalley@brudehof.com

31 - Last Day to Register for Summer Camp

June

15th to the **19th** Vacation Bible School



My first priority as interim pastor is to get to know you. Since we all have to eat, I'd love to join you for coffee or for a meal. Here's my schedule: Sunday all day, Monday morning and afternoon, Wednesday all day; Thursday morning and afternoon; Saturday afternoon and evening. **I will still be your pastor all week**, but some of the time I won't be in the Springs area. Feel free to contact me by phone, email, Messenger, Facebook, Signal, WhatsApp... If you don't contact me, I'll come find you.



Bus Trip to see Noah at Sight and Sound August 16th

We need 50 people; currently, 34 individuals have signed up. We have 16 seats left.

We need to know by May 25th if you are going on the bus trip. After May 25th, if we don't fill the 50 seats, then we will advertise the bus trip to others.

If money is an issue holding you back from going, please let Sherry Abel know. We want to make sure that everyone who wants to go can go.

Cost is \$200.00 for adults,
\$140.00 for children ages 3 to 12.

Online Short Course: Transforming Congregational Conflict and Communication: April 23 – June 3. Join Betty Pries, PhD, CMed, to explore the possibilities and pitfalls of courageously engaging differences within congregational life in this six-week online short course of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by April 16. ambs.edu/online-short-courses

SIGNIFICANT ITEMS Church Council Meeting April 1, 2025

1. Council approved for secretary Sherry Abel to have one day a week off from May thru August.
2. The Trustees reported on recent maintenance work.
3. Council approved to have the carpet and pews in the sanctuary professionally cleaned.
4. The generator is now operational. A group met for a demonstration of how it works. A service plan and extended warrantee were discussed.



Voting slips for the church cookbook title have been placed in the church mailboxes. If you don't have a church mailbox, there are extra voting slips at the back of the church. Please return your votes to the box in the foyer by Sunday, April 20th.