SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

September 14, 2025



Numbers 33:9 And they set out from Marah and came to Elim: at Elim there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees, and they camped there.

Call to Worship

Lighting of Peace Lamp Opening songs

First Reading I

Ecclesiastes 7: 10-18

Engaging Community

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Call of the Gospel

Gospel Reading Luke 15: 1-10

Song

Offertory Prayer

Children will collect coins for My Coins Count

Gospel Time

Digging Deeper

Third Reading 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Message

Song of response

Going Out into the World

Benediction

Sending Song

Worship Planner: Beth Green
Worship Leader: Deb Bergen
Accompanist: Dixie Otto
Message: Wes Bergen
Song Leader: Isaac Tice
Sound Room: Noel Livengood
Live Stream: Isaac Tice
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Calendar of Events

September 16 – Church Council – 6:30 p.m. **Both current and incoming members should be in attendance. Budget preparation will be done at this meeting.

September 17 - Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

September 17 – Class on the New Testament – 7:00 p.m.

September 19-20-21 - Church Retreat

September 28 – Pastoral Candidate – Ken Hawes

October 3 & 4 – Folk Festival

October 5 – Keith Pirolozzi will be our speaker

October 11 – S'mores & Hotdogs Night

October 12 – Communion Sunday

October 19 – Children's Church

November 15 – Pumpkin Pie Baking at the Church – 1:00 p.m.

December 13 – Christmas Progressive Dinner

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September 7, 2025, Attendance and Offering

General Fund: \$4,104.00 Attendance: 92



Birthdays:

September 17 – Jeff Pattison

20 – Autumn (Rosie) Yoder

Anniversaries:

September 19 – Laban & Julia Tice

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.



As the trees surrender their leaves, so must we surrender our fears, trusting that new life will come.





Elders' Significant Items September 2, 2025

- 1. Rosie conducted devotions from Jeremiah 29: 10-12 and then began our meeting with prayer.
- 2. Recognized new Elders, Doug Berg and Terry Livengood. A vote was conducted, and Don will remain as chair, and Sherry as secretary.
- 3. Don reviewed and the Elders approved minutes from the last meeting.
- 4. Wes gave his Pastor's report as follows:
 - a. Visited many folks and encouraged many volunteers.
 - b. Participated in Healthy Boundaries training.
 - c. Coordinating with Karin Miller and Richard Beitzel about a new church website.
 - d. Working with Sherry to learn how to update the church Facebook page.
 - e. Planning Intergenerational Sunday school.
 - f. Planning Bible study for fall.
 - g. Doing initial thinking about Advent.
 - h. Leading Worship Team in planning worship.
 - . Thinking ahead about themes and major events.
- 5. Wes will be in Kansas from October 2-8 for a wedding.
- 6. Sherry will ask Keith Pirolozzi to speak on October 5th.
- 7. Discussed communion Sunday, October 12th.
- 8. The meeting concluded with group prayers for the church, its members, and the broader community.

We have received several thank you cards and notes from the students at Salisbury School. They are displayed on a table in the church foyer.