



SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

November 16, 2025

Revelation 14:7 He declared in a loud voice: “Fear God and give him glory because the hour of his judgement has arrived, and worship the one who made heaven and earth, the sea and the **springs** of water!”



Mission Sunday

Call to Worship

Lighting of Peace Lamp

Opening songs

First Reading Psalms 67

Engaging Community

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Call of the Gospel

Gospel Reading Matthew 10:5-15

Song

Offertory Prayer

Children will collect coins for My Coins Count

Children’s Church

Digging Deeper

Third Reading Acts 19:11-20

Message

Song of response “Here I am Lord” – HWB 395

Going Out into the World

Benediction

Sending Song “And I will raise you up” – HWB 596

Worship Planners: Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka

Worship Leader: Bev Critchfield

Accompanist: Byron Miller

Message: Wes Bergen

Song Leaders: Worship Team

Sound Room: Don Green

Video: Reuben Tice

Live Stream: Isaac Tice

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It's Poinsettia ordering time!

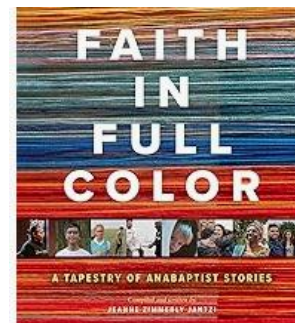
The Visual Arts Committee is taking orders for poinsettias to be used in the church during the Christmas season.

Order forms have been placed in mailboxes and on the credence stand.

The poinsettias are in 6" pots. Available colors are red and white. The cost is \$8.00 each.

Pay in the offering box by cash or check payable to Springs Mennonite Church --designated “Flowers.” Please place orders in Janet Bender's mailbox no later than Sunday, November 23rd.

Thanks for your order!



Faith in Full Color: A Tapestry of Anabaptist Stories by Jeanne Jantzi has been added to our church library. The photos and stories address where we have been and where we are going as Anabaptist Christians.

Church Information

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November 9, 2025, Attendance and Offering

General Fund: \$3,625.00

Attendance: 98



Birthdays:

November 17 – Beth Green

18 – Deb Bergen

19 – Bob Green

21 – Esther Beitzel, Leelyn Shelley

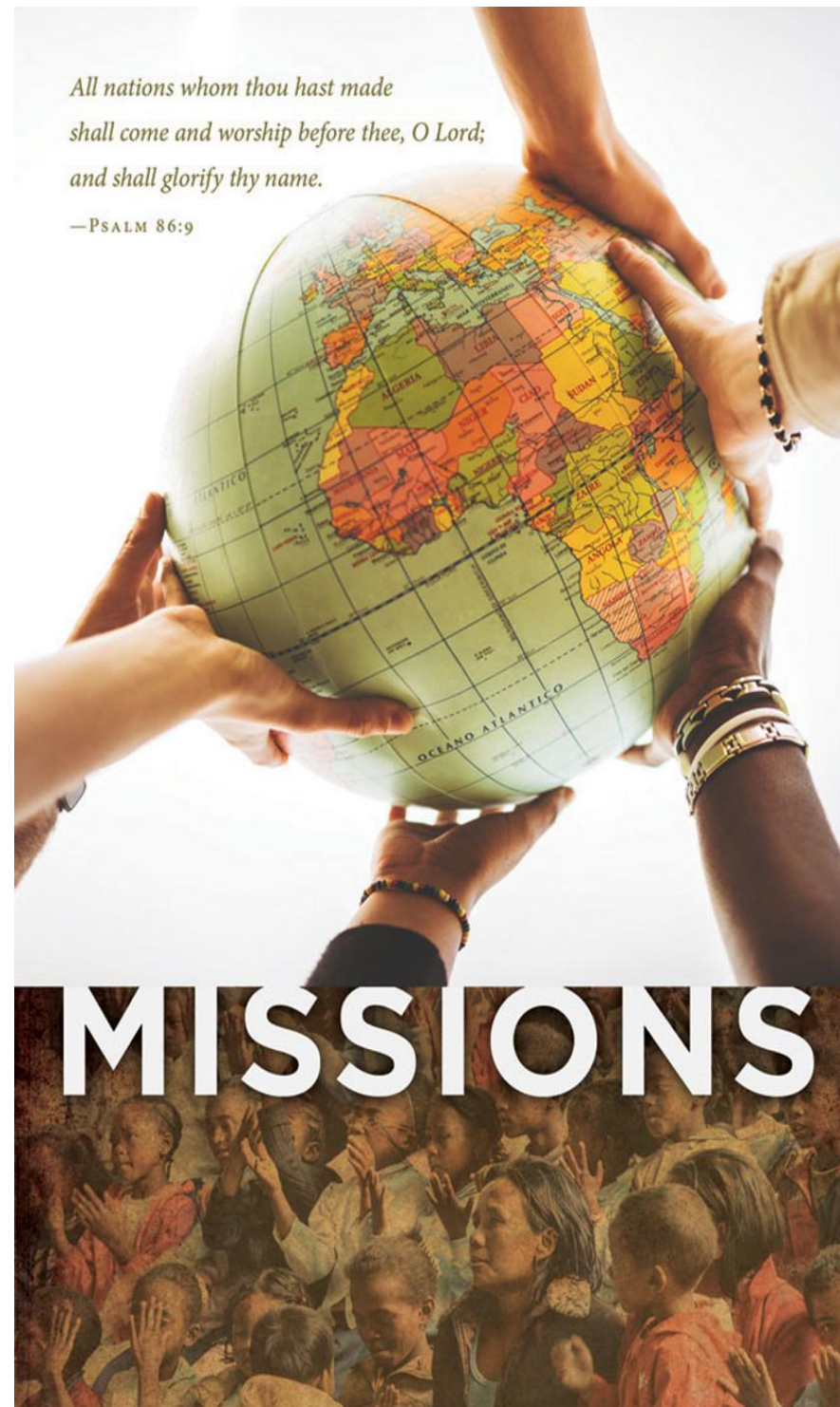
22 – Kathy Pattison



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.



*All nations whom thou hast made
shall come and worship before thee, O Lord;
and shall glorify thy name.*

—PSALM 86:9

We are pleased to announce that **Kim Miller** has been selected to serve as **Member-at-Large** on the Church Council. Her willingness to serve is greatly appreciated.

A confirmation vote to officially appoint Kim Miller to the Church Council is scheduled for Sunday, November 23rd during the Worship Service.

Local MDS Project Needs Your Help

Casselman Valley Mennonite Disaster Service is in the process of building a two-bedroom home in Stoystown, PA. (North of Somerset.) The house will be built according to MDS House Plans. The owner is disabled and lost his home in a fire; he did not have insurance.

Aaron Tice & Joseph Byler are supervising and coordinating this local project. The foundation has been excavated, the basement walls erected, and the concrete floor has been poured. The goal is to have the house framed and under roof as soon as possible. There will be a need for framers, electricians, plumbers, HVAC, drywallers, and various other general labor as the project proceeds. Please contact Reuben Tice or Aaron Tice if you are willing to help.

The funds for our Casselman Valley Unit are running low. Instead of doing a local fundraiser, we are asking the local churches for contributions to help fund this project. Our November Missions offering allocates a percentage for MDS, but this would be additional contributions for this home. Donations may be placed in the offering box made payable to Springs Mennonite Church or Mennonite Disaster Service. Please be sure to note or earmark that the donation is for MDS-Casselman Valley Unit. The regional office at Lititz, PA, handles all the contributions for MDS and allocates those funds to the satellite units.

We appreciate your consideration and donations. We also ask your prayers for the safety of the many volunteers who are graciously giving their time, working together to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Calendar of Events

Today - Missions Sunday – Missions Offering

Today - Children's Church

November 19 - Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

November 19 – Elders' Meeting @ 12:30 p.m.

November 19 – Worship Committee @ 6:00 p.m.

November 19 - Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.

November 27 - Thanksgiving

November 30 - Intergenerational Sunday school
First Sunday of Advent

December 2 – Church Council – 7:00 p.m.

December 6 – Christmas Caravan – Tour 7 Homes in Somerset & Garrett Counties, Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. at Oak Dale Church.
Entry fee: Donation basis – to benefit their annual ReNew Women's Retreat.

December 9 – Cram-A-Van – Salisbury-Elk Lick High School
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

December 13 - Christmas Progressive Dinner – Children are Welcome

December 14 - Children's Christmas Program during Worship Service

December 21 - The Longest Night Service – 7:00 p.m.

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service – 7:00 p.m.

CRAM-A-VAN

Sponsored by: Salisbury-Elk Lick Education Association
Bring your gifts to the Salisbury-Elk Lick High School on
December 9th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Toys will be distributed to families in need by the
Salisbury Family Center

Winterville 2026 at Laurelville

Event Overview

Winterville 2026 will be held at Laurelville from:

January 16 to January 18.

This is a special opportunity for students in grades 2nd through 12th to participate in a memorable retreat experience. Don't miss out on the chance to join this exciting event!

Themes by Grade

Grades 2nd to 8th

The theme for students in grades 2nd to 8th is "Like a Tree," based on Jeremiah 17:5-8. This theme will guide the activities and discussions for these grades, encouraging spiritual growth and reflection.

Grades 9th to 12th

For students in grades 9th to 12th, the retreat offers a blend of fun and faith. Participants will enjoy high-energy activities, late-night games, and plenty of opportunities to spend time with friends, creating lasting memories and deepening their faith together.

Cost and Special Offer

The regular cost per student is \$150.00. However, thanks to a church discount and generous contributions from Sunday School Class #4, the cost is reduced to just \$55.00 per student. This makes the retreat more accessible for everyone.

We need to know by Sunday, December 21st, who is attending this year. Point of Contact is Carolyn Tice

The **Missions Offering** today, will be split as follows:

\$1000 to Somerset Mobile Food Bank
\$1000 to Casselman Valley Helpers
\$1000 to Garrett Co. Agency on Aging
40% of remainder to MDS (Casselman Valley Unit)
60% of remainder to MCC

The new *Rejoice* magazines are on the credence stand in the church foyer.



With our Deepest Sympathy
to the family and friends of
Tom Lindeman on his
passing on
November 5th, 2025.

SIGNIFICANT ITEMS CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING November 4, 2025

1. The Trustees reported that all work to repair the storm and wind damage has been completed and that we should receive a check from the insurance company soon.
2. The local Casselman Valley MDS Unit is working to build a house in Stoystown. Council agreed that the MDS portion of the Missions Offering be directed to this project.
3. Some of the food that was brought for food banks will be given to a local family in need.
4. Karin Miller & Julia Tice will attend a worship seminar at Laurelville.
5. Some time was spent working on a proposed amendment to the Plan of Organization to allow some leeway if the Gifts Discernment Committee, Elders, or Church Council cannot find enough members to serve in a position that currently requires membership. In those cases, a regular attender may be used to fill the position. Council will fine-tune the amendment before presenting it to the congregation for approval.

Progressive Dinner – Saturday December 13th Children are welcome

Need for 8 people to host
Need for 2 people to make soup and 2 people to make bread for the stop at the church.
Sign-up Sheet for the Progressive Dinner is on the credence stand in the church foyer.