

## **SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH**

**November 9, 2025** 



Call to Worship

**Lighting of Peace Lamp** 

**Opening songs** 

**Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns** 

Song

**Offertory Prayer** 

\*\*Children will collect coins for My Coins Count\*\*

Children's Story

**Scripture Reading:** Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Message: "History of Springs Church" – Rich Yoder

Song of response

**Benediction** 

**Sending Song** 

Worship Planner: Beth Green
Worship Leader: Holly Clark
Accompanist: Dixie Otto
Announcements: Don Green
Children's Story: Richard Yoder
Message: Richard Yoder
Song Leader: Isaac Tice
Sound Room: Noel Livengood
Video: Laban Tice
Live Stream: Isaac Tice
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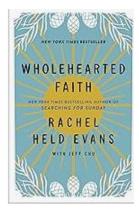
## It's Poinsettia ordering time!

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 Nov. 25th.

### Thanks for your order!



#### Wholehearted Faith

by Rachel Held Evans has been added to our church library. This warm, wise and intimate book tackles topics like grace, doubt and sacrifice.

On the Cover of the Bulletin:

Picture of Springs Mennonite Church in 1954, before the dedication of the new church building. Springs Mennonite Church today.

**Church Information:** Phone: (814) 662-4201

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## November 2, 2025, Attendance and Offering

General Fund: \$3,187.00 Attendance: 93

# Happy Birthday and Anniversary to...

## **Birthdays:**

November 9 – Greg Miller

14 – Matthew Fisher

15 – Don Green, Brandy Green

17 – Beth Green

**Anniversary:** 

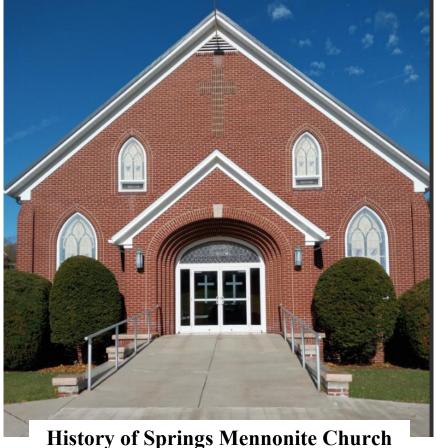
November 11 – Rick & Deanna Yoder

## 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.





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 23<sup>rd</sup> during the Worship Service.

Due to the current government shutdown, the food assistance program will be halted very soon. As a result, there is an increased need for food in the local area food banks. Many individuals and families who rely on these programs will be seeking support from alternative sources.

In response to this need, our church will begin collecting nonperishable food items. We ask all members and attendees to contribute by bringing non-perishable foods and placing them on the pew located in the foyer of the church.

Your participation is greatly appreciated. By contributing to this collection, you will help support the area food banks and make a meaningful difference in our community during this challenging time.



It is with Christian Sympathy that we announce that Dirk Bruehl passed away on October 11<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you to our wonderful church family for all your prayers and expressions of love and concern in the passing of our Dad, Harold Nicholson. On behalf of our entire Nicholson family, we are humbled and so very grateful for each of you. Thanks for your continued prayers for our Mom.

Sincerely, Pat Haglund & Deb Hoover

## **Calendar of Events**

November 11 - Thanksgiving Dinner Drive-thru @ 5:00 p.m.

**November 12 -** Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**November 12 -** Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.

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

**November 16** - Missions Sunday – Missions Offering

November 16 - Children's Church

**November 23 - Thanksgiving** 

**November 30 -** Intergenerational Sunday school First Sunday of Advent

**December 13 - Christmas Progressive Dinner** 

**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.

#### 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

Orienting With the Word: Is your congregation eager for a new way to walk with Scripture? This free fivemonth program of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's Faith Formation Collaborative builds community and biblical competency through Bible study. Each participating congregation designates a small group to join with others in a Bible study practice that involves wrestling, wondering and worship with the biblical text. The next cohort runs Jan. 1 – May 17, and the program is free to participating congregations. Apply by Nov. 15! <a href="mailto:ambs.edu/orienting-with-the-word">ambs.edu/orienting-with-the-word</a>

The **Missions Offering** scheduled for November 16<sup>th</sup> 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

November 11<sup>th</sup> is our drive-thru Thanksgiving Meal.

We need **80 pumpkin pies**; there is a sign-up sheet on the church foyer's bulletin board. **Thank You!** 

We need your pumpkins! – if you are finished with your decorating pumpkins and will no longer need them after November 1<sup>st</sup>, please bring them to Wes' house or the church so we can turn them into pie.

For the pie baking on November 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.