

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

April 10, 2022

10:30 AM

FM 87.9

Focus

As we seek God's way, we move from an understanding of power that grasps for control over others to an understanding that true power comes from working with and for others in love.

Welcome

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Leader: Together we seek the way of God, a way so different from the ways of this world.

People: We remind ourselves to loosen our grasp, to trust instead of control.

Leader: We praise a God we cannot see and celebrate a salvation we do not understand.

People: In worship we give of ourselves, and we receive the disarming power of God.

Leader: We cry--

All: Blessed is the One who comes in the power of God's name.

Children's Puppet Show Video

***Children are invited to the front to watch the video

Opening Songs

***Children are dismissed to Children's Church at this time

Affirmation of Faith

Leader: Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

People: We call upon you while you are near.

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

People: Forgive us for seeking power over others and let us instead seek power with and for the most vulnerable.

Leader: As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey, let us see your way more clearly.

All: and follow your way more faithfully.

Offertory Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture- Luke 19:28-42

²⁸ After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³² Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They replied, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: ³⁸ "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" ⁴⁰ "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." ⁴¹ As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it ⁴² and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes."

Sermon- "If You Had Only Known"

Song

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YApEIJvE6S4>

Children's Palm Sunday Procession

Doxology

Worship Leader: Ben Yoder

Message: John Verburg

Accompanist: Faith Verburg

Worship Planner: Ben Yoder

Sound Room: Noel Livengood

Song Leader: Rich Beitzel

Video: Reuben Tice

Live Stream: Preston Maust

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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 song books 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April 11- Alex Beiler

April 13- Gary Brant

April 15- Margaret Foy

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

April 13- Craig & Gwen Baer, Delmas & Mabel Beiler

Calendar of Events

April 11- Music/Worship Committee Meeting
Easter Chorus Practice, 7:00 PM

April 13- Daughters of Dorcas, 9:30-3:30 PM
Elders Meeting, 6:30 PM

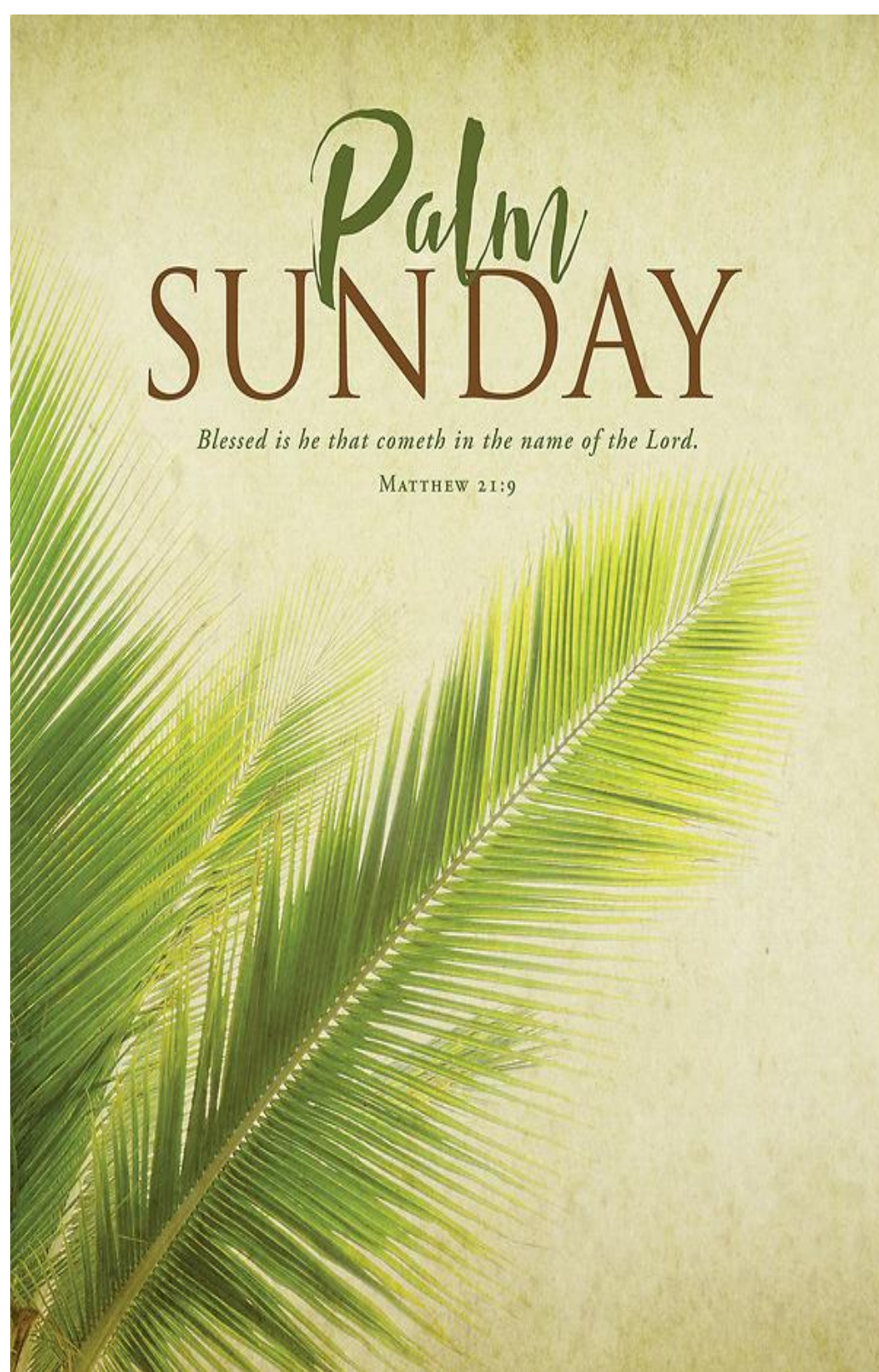
April 15- Good Friday Services, 4:00-7:00 PM

April 16- Easter Chorus Practice, 10:30 AM

April 23- Kids Night/Movie Night 7:00 PM

April 24- Allegheny Conference Offering

June 26-30- Bible School



SIGNIFICANT ITEMS
Church Council Meeting
April 5, 2022

1. Some monies have been received from the Freda Maust estate. A portion was designated for the Cemetery Fund, and the rest has been deposited to the general account.
2. Repairs have been made to the present propane furnace. However, the newly proposed steam furnace is not currently available.
3. The new office computer has been received and set up.
4. Covenant agreements for the pastor and other church workers have been revised, updated, and filed accordingly.
5. There was discussion of the outreach programs of the children's packets, Bible School, and Sunday School.
6. The Gifts Discernment Committee submitted a list of names they propose to ask to serve in various church positions.
7. There was also discussion of how the church's website and Facebook page could be used to further outreach.



SAVE THE DATES, YOU'RE INVITED! Bible School is back! We are excited to announce Bible School will be held **June 26 - 30;** Sunday through Thursday evenings, for children age 4 through 5th grade. Many exciting activities are being planned as we learn about God the Creator and his marvelous creation while following our theme, *Great Big Beautiful World*. Stay tuned for more information and opportunities to be involved.

The Bible School Committee: Janet Bender, Beth Green, Melissa Durst

We, the Springs congregation, have been changed by Jesus Christ. Saved by His love and forgiveness, we are empowered to carry forth His ministry through obedience, teaching, service, and healing. Reaching out to all people, by faith we journey together praying, worshiping, and making disciples. By our living in the Spirit, we reflect His love, joy, hope, and peace.

April 3, 2022 Totals

General Offering **\$6,323.18.00**
Attendance **74**

MCC Ukraine relief offerings totaled \$2,275.00 and have been forwarded to MCC. For more information on how Mennonite Central Committee is helping Ukraine, go to <http://mcc.org/stories/crisis-ukraine>.

Easter Chorus will practice this Monday, April 11th at 7:00 PM and Saturday, April 16th at 10:30 AM.

Please accept this note as a sincere “thank you” for the “happy greetings” sent by you on my 90th birthday to wish me well in the coming year. I’m currently at Seimans’ Nursing Home seeing if a few quirks can be ironed out, feeling good. I’m really appreciative of all your good wishes received for my 90th. Thanks again. –Peg Thomas

Good Friday

There will have a "come and go" Good Friday Service on April 15th from 4-7 PM. It will be a "Time of Reflection and Prayer" service. Communion will also be available for those who wish to partake. We will have worship leaflets provided to guide you during your time of prayer and reflection.

Easter Morning

7:30 AM- Sunrise Service at High Point Lake

8:30 AM- Breakfast at the church

9:30 AM- Sunday School

10:30 AM- Worship Service

Due to Easter falling on our regularly scheduled Conference offering Sunday, the Conference offering has been moved to Sunday, April 24th.



Parents of children ages 6-17 who are planning to send their child to Laurelville should let Carolyn Tice know as soon as they make the decision so the church’s portion of the cost can be paid. Note that there is an additional discount of \$25 for those who register before April 15th. Questions? See Carolyn Tice or visit the Laurelville website (<https://laurelville.org/program-events/youth/church-camp-pa/>) for more details.

The Sundays with no Children's Church we invite all children to the front of the church during the children's video/skit, after which they will collect the coins for My Coins Count. On the Sundays we have Children's Church, children will be dismissed during our time of singing. Please be sure to pick your child(ren) up in the gym immediately following the conclusion of our church service.

Jr. Department will be having Sunday school classes for children from age 3-8th grade on the 1st and 3rd Sundays during the regular Sunday school hour for the month of May. During the summer months, we will meet during the worship service on the 1st & 3rd Sundays when there is not Children's Church.

Meyersdale Grace Brethren Church will be holding a Good Friday Cross Walk. The walk will begin at 11:00 AM at Meyersdale Grace Brethren and will end at Amity United Church of Christ.

Community Conversations for Mental Health Month
Thursdays in May, starting at 7:00 PM at the Meyersdale Public Library

May 5- Movie and Conversation: The Forgotten Battalion
Veterans' readjustment issues & PTSD

May 12-Book Discussion: *The Gifts of Imperfection* by Brené Brown – Cultivating healthy mental attitudes

May 19-Young Adult Conversation: Selections from “(Don’t) Call Me Crazy: 33 Voices Start the Conversation About Mental Health”

For more information:

Meyersdale Public Library at (814) 634-0512