

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

August 21, 2022

9:00 AM

FM 87.9

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Song

Offering Prayer

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture- *Hebrews 12:1-3*

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Message- "Do Not Grow Weary and Lose Heart"

Closing Song

Benediction

Message: John Verburg
Worship Leaders: Don & Beth Green
Accompanist: Faith Verburg
Worship Planner: Deb Hoover
Sound Room: Don Green
Song Leader: Phoebe Wiley
Video: Reuben Tice
Live Stream: Isaac Tice

FALL SCHEDULE

Beginning on Sunday, September 4th, we will return to worshipping inside and begin a new schedule of activities (yes, it looks like the old one).

9: 00- Congregation breakfast in the basement

9:30- Sunday School for all ages

10:30- Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Please note, the Sunday School Classes for the children are still being formulated. Michelle Maust is the Sunday school Superintendent beginning in September. If you would like to help with the children, please let her know.

Also, there will be a Sunday school class for the younger adults in the larger room (with the couches) in the basement. This will be a "discussion type" class, and if you are interested in participating as a discussion leader for this class, please let Don Green know.

Let us **NOT**
become weary
in doing **GOOD**

Offering Totals

General Offering 8/7	\$6,425.00
General Offering 8/14	\$1,612.00
Ice Cream Social	\$25.00
International Guest House	\$31,119.00

(portion of proceeds from Allegheny Mennonite Conference)

Church Information: Phone: (814) 662-4201

Pastor: John Verburg

Office hours: Generally Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
or by appointment

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Email: office@springsmc.org

Cell Phone: (814) 579-1774

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and otherwise
by appointment

 **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!

August 21- Steve Fazenbaker, Greta Miller, Mari Haines

August 27- Kyle Pattison, Roberto Pattison

Calendar of Events

Aug 24- Daughters of Dorcas, 9:30-3:30 PM

Aug 28- Affirmation of Gifts Discernment Appointments
Elders Picnic, 5:00 PM

Sept 2 & 3- Class #4 Free Yard Sale

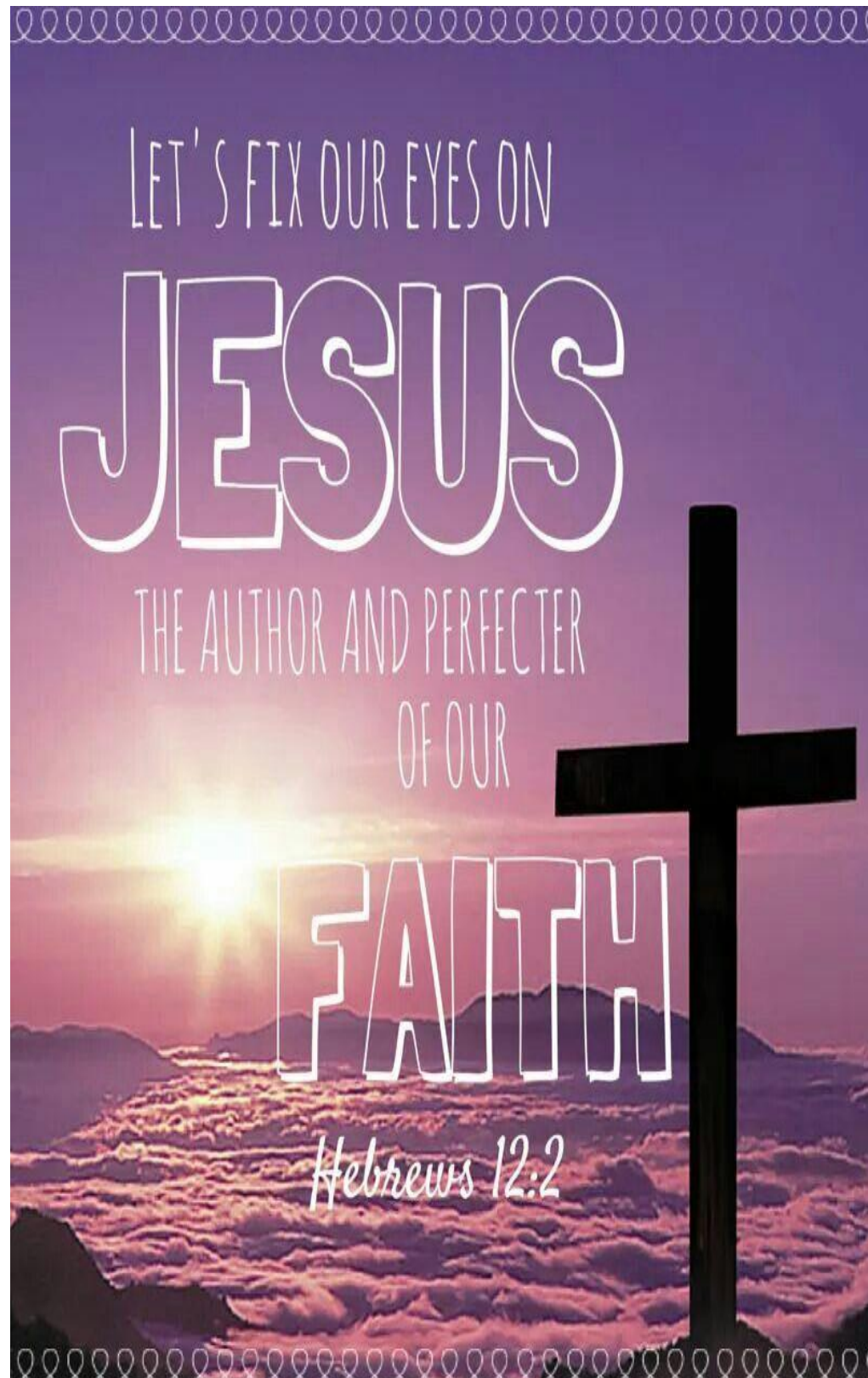
Sept 12- Worship/Music Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM

Sept 13- Council Meeting, 7:00 PM

Sept 17- Children's Carnival, 12-4:00 PM

Sept 23-25- Church Retreat

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Letters requesting annual reports from each committee/group functioning within our congregation have been placed in mailboxes. Please comply with the requested information by September 11th. If you are unable to meet that deadline, please let Carolyn Tice know. Thanks in advance for your labors of love, including this requisite reporting to the congregation.

Phone Tree

If you are not receiving the phone tree messages and would like to begin getting them, please contact Wendy at the office. In addition, if you have a number change or would like to get rid of a number currently receiving the messages, please let Wendy know as well.

We will be hosting an End of Summer Carnival on September 17th from 12-4:00 pm. If anyone is interested in helping, please contact Michelle Maust.

The Outreach Committee is making the following requests: If you know of new persons in the local area who should receive a welcome, please contact Harriet Berg at (814) 442-4594, daheberg2@aol.com or place a note in her mailbox. Thank you!

Esther Beitzel and friends are planning a free meal to people in need in the community this September. If you know someone who would benefit from a good meal, please contact the church office.

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.

Gifts Discernment Appointments

The Gifts Discernment Committee is thankful for those who have answered the call to serve in various positions. Congregational affirmation will be sought during worship service on August 28. We are still seeking a volunteer or suggestion for the Jr. Dept. Superintendent (2022-2023). If you have a concern about any of these appointments, contact a member of the Committee as soon as possible.

-Doug Berg, Nancy Green, Lois Hepler, Angie Piwonka, and Enos Tice

Position	Person	Term
Church Council Chairman	Paul Durst	2022-2025
Trustees	Reuben Tice	2022-2025
Adult Dept. Superintendent	Nancy Green	2022-2024
Junior Dept. Superintendent	Michelle Maust	2022-2024
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Ushers	Diana Detrick Steve Fazenbaker Ryan Miller Jeff Pattison Jay Resh Tom White	2022-2023
Ushers, substitutes	Angie Fazenbaker Bob Brenneman Doug Otto	
Bible School Committee	Nancy Green	2022-2025
Retreat Committee	Glenn & Tammy Miller	2022-2025
HOPE Committee	Diana Detrick	2022-2024
Music Committee	Dixie Otto	2022-2025
Visual Arts Committee	Janet Bender	2023-2024
Librarians	Kim Miller	2022-2024
Hospitality Committee	Paula Resh	2022-2025
Conference Delegates	Julia Tice	2022-2026
Outreach Committee	Jeff Pattison Bill & Angie Mosholder	
	(Agreed they can work without 3 rd Appointment)	
Cemetery Committee	Jay Resh	2022-2025

Church Retreat

Please let us know by September 11th how many will be attending each of the following:

Saturday, September 24 @ 8:00 AM

Donuts and coffee provided before activities begin.

Number attending each activity

Golf at Winnfield (\$25) _____

Hiking _____

Motorcycle Ride _____

Sunday, September 25th Carry- In Lunch

(Roast beef and chicken, dessert and drink provided.)

Number attending _____

Name/Family _____

Please place completed forms in the offering box.

Our Christian sympathy to Kathy Pattison and family on the passing of her grandmother, Jayne Martin.

Salisbury School Prayer Walk

We have a heart for our school so we will be having a non-denominational prayer walk. We want to cover our students, teachers, and administration in prayer. We will meet at the flagpole in front of the Salisbury-Elk Lick School High School on Wednesday, August 24th. Come and go as you please from 6:00 – 7:00 PM. Prayer guides from Intercessors for America will be available for your use. You may join a group or walk by yourself as you pray. For any questions, please contact Cornerstone Church office at 814-662-4235.

A family that is struggling with the father's illness needs our help. We are asking folks to volunteer to make meals to share with them for the next 6 weeks or so. There are 4 in the family. If you can help, please let Diana know and she will coordinate the process and schedule the days we can help. Thanks.

As we move back inside our church building for worship services this fall, the Worship and Music Committee is working on ways to build up and augment the music part of our services and attempt to regain some of what has been lost due to pandemic changes. We have set a date and time of Tuesday, August 30, at 7:00 pm at the church for those interested in participating, particularly in a praise team, but also as individual song leaders, to come together and work in that direction. If you cannot attend that evening, do not fear. There will be more opportunities to join up as we will be operating under a year-round, open-enrollment policy. Also, understand this is not an effort to con anyone into being a soloist/song leader or anything of that sort. It is with a desire to see if we can include more people, and a broader range of music that would once again include more of the contemporary praise choruses that have been part of our worship in the past. We encourage all of our current song leaders who wish to get more familiar with those choruses in order to feel more comfortable in leading them in our services to attend also. We would appreciate prayers from all of you on our behalf as we discern the Lord's leading through this, and hope to see as many of you as are interested in this effort on August 30.

Allegheny Conference Annual Celebration 2022

The meeting of Allegheny Conference Celebration was held a Laurelville on August 6-7, 2022. There was time for celebration of the International Guest House's (IGH) 50-year ministry and the distribution of sale proceeds. There was also a special time of celebration for the ministry and commitment of Joy Cotchen as Conference Minister of Children and Youth who has retired from her position of 23 years. The meetings were held both in person and virtually via zoom.

A business meeting was held on Saturday morning where reports from Joy Cotchen, and Dave Mishler, Conference Minister. With tears of gratitude for the many people who have blessed her life over the past 23 years, Joy gave her final report as Children & Youth minister. Dave reported that since he has resigned from his extended interim assignment as pastor of Scottdale Mennonite Church as of July 1st, he would have more flexibility for the work of the conference and visiting churches, and the ability to deal with his and his wife's ongoing health issues. Dave also introduced Pratik Bagh, pastor of the Asian Indian Christian Church of Pittsburgh (AICCP). AICCP is the newest member congregation of Allegheny Conference who shared their church's appreciation for the hospitality and support they have experienced.

Karin Miller, Treasurer presented the financial report. The fiscal year ended June 30th with a deficit of approximately \$9,000. While the importance of the Children and Youth Minister position was recognized, the decision has been made that a new Minister of Children and Youth would not be hired until at least January of 2023 due to the current budgetary deficit. All congregations were encouraged to evaluate the financial support of the conference and how it best can be reflected through the decision-making process of the Delegates as the Conference budget is approved. It was recognized that delegates who approve the conference budget are not necessarily the people who make financial decisions for the congregations.

Joyce Hall (University Mennonite) and Randell Kold (Pittsburgh Mennonite) gave a report from the special Mennonite Church USA delegates assembly in May. Anyone interested in learning more about the meeting are encouraged to view the recent webinar sponsored by MC USA – What Now? Here is a link: https://youtu.be/IcdnJ3a_Ke4

At the Saturday evening worship service, Jennifer Davis Sensenig (Community Mennonite Church) gave a wonderful message of being “clothed with thanksgiving”. Members of the Walking Roots Band from Harrisonburg, VA provided special music and lead in a time of worship.

The Sunday morning worship service included additional music by members of the Walking Roots Band, a message by Cindy Lapp (Hyattsville Mennonite Church), a time of communion, the presentation of funds from the sale of the IGH and a time of sharing how the ministry of Joy Cotchen affected the lives of so many within Allegheny Conference. As always, we were encouraged and blessed by the opportunity to worship as a conference.

Blessings,
Julia Tice, Delegate of Springs Mennonite Church

When we walk with the Lord

1. When we walk with the Lord
In the light of his word,
What a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

*Refrain: Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

3. But we never can prove
The delights of his love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor he shows,
For the joy he bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.

Refrain

4. Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at his feet,
Or we'll walk by his side in the way;
What he says we will do,
Where he sends we will go;
Never fear, only trust and obey.

Refrain

Guide my feet

Guide my feet while I run this race,
Guide my feet while I run this race,
Guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!

2. Hold my hand
3. Stand by me
4. I'm your child
5. Search my heart