

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

August 7, 2022

9:00 AM

FM 87.9

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Song

Offering Prayer

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture- *Philippians 3:12-14*

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Message- *“Press On to the Goal”*

Closing Song

Benediction

Message: John Verburg

Worship Leader: Ryan Miller

Accompanist: Dixie Otto

Worship Planner: Isaac Tice

Sound Room: Ryan Critchfield

Song Leaders: Ed Hoover, Deb Hoover, Faith Verburg

Video: Reuben Tice

Live Stream: Isaac Tice



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<u>July 31, 2022 Totals</u>	
General Offering	\$2,850.00
Attendance	67

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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!

Aug 9- Antonia Beitzel

Aug 10- Ken Detrick

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Aug 9- Rich & Fay Yoder

Aug 10- Eric & Pat Haglund, Terry & Sharon Livengood

Aug 11- Enos & Carolyn Tice

Aug 12- Bill & Angie (Piwonka) Mosholder

Calendar of Events

Aug 2- Council Meeting, 7:00 PM

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

Aug 7- Altoona Curve Game

Aug 9- Worship/Music Committee Meeting

Aug 13- Somerset Community Band & Ice Cream Social, 6:00 PM

Aug 14- Commissioning of New Elders

Aug 16- Elders Meeting, 6:30 PM

Aug 28- Elders Picnic

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

Sept 23-25- Church Retreat

One THING I DO
FORGETTING

THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE Behind

& REACHING FORWARD

TO THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE Ahead

I press on toward the GOAL

for which

GOD HAS CALLED ME
Heavenward

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY: Church Council is searching for a person who is willing to be the editor for the 2022-2023 Annual Report Booklet which begins on September 1. This person should be detail oriented. If interested, contact Paul Durst.

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 Somerset County Community Band will perform this Saturday, August 13th at 6:00 PM at the Springs Farmers' Market grounds. Along with the performance will be a free soft-freeze ice cream social. Please bring your own chair.

The Somerset County Community Band is an affiliate of Laurel Arts, the rural arts organization serving Somerset County, PA. It was started to give area residents an opportunity to renew their interest in instrumental music. Members range in age from junior high school students to grandparents. **Kathy Pattison is a member of the band.**

The event is sponsored by the Springs Mennonite Church and is free and open to the public.

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 August. If you know someone who would benefit from a good meal, please contact the church office.

Praise Team Revival:

The Worship/Music Committee would like to revive the Praise Team, which was a casualty of Covid. We see this as an important ministry for the church as we move past the pandemic. We would like the Praise Team to lead our singing on either September 11 or 25 but are not sure how many folks are still interested in participating. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please let Byron or John know. Singers, instrumentalists, drummers—all are welcome—and will be greatly appreciated.

Commissioning for the new Elders will be held next Sunday, August 14th.

When decluttering, please think about donating unwanted items to the Sunday school Class #4 for their annual Free Yard Sale on September 2nd & 3rd. Items may be put in the World's Attic Closet marked for the free yard sale.

More Song Leaders Needed:

The Worship/Music Committee has identified a critical need for more song leaders. The Music Committee has struggled to find enough leaders to fill the slots. If you would be willing to lead the singing and are not already on the list, please let Faith, Ed, or Byron know. It would make scheduling much easier for them. Additionally, if you are uncomfortable leading singing alone, you are welcome to have a friend join you. Plus, if you would prefer to use video songs to lead singing, that's ok too.



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, worshipping, and making disciples. By our living in the Spirit, we reflect His love, joy, hope, and peace.

In the Garden

I come to the garden alone
While the dew is still on the roses
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear
The Son of God discloses

Chorus:

And He walks with me
And He talks with me
And He tells me I am His own
And the joy we share as we tarry there
None other has ever known

He speaks and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing

Gentle Shepherd

Gentle Shepherd come and lead us
For we need you to help us find our way
Gentle Shepherd come and feed us
For we need your strength from day to day
There's no other we can turn to
Who can help us face another day
Gentle Shepherd come and lead us
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SIGNIFICANT ITEMS CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

August 2, 2022

1. Michelle Maust attended the meeting to present some of her ideas for an end of summer carnival. She hopes to have food, games, a bouncy house, and more on Sept. 17, from Noon to 4 PM.
2. Council agreed to continue the outreach of children's packets, but to cut back to packets being distributed only four times a year.
3. Next Council meeting will be held on Sept. 13. Both incoming and outgoing Council members should attend.
4. Council reviewed the contributions to Allegheny Mennonite Conference. From each quarterly offering, \$500 is designated for Mennonite Mission Network and \$500 is designated for Mennonite Media. It was proposed that we change next year's budget to show a budget line item for each of these organizations so that 100% of each Conference offering will go to Allegheny Mennonite Conference. It was also proposed that the \$2000 per quarter minimum will remain, and the \$5000 maximum be raised to \$6000.
5. A schedule has been prepared for Fellowship Time to resume in Sept.
6. Wendy has made some changes and updates to the church website. Take a look!
7. The purchase and installation of a new steam boiler has not progressed as planned. Therefore, at this late juncture, council has decided it to be in our best interest to bring the current boiler into code compliance.
8. This coming weekend is Allegheny Conference's summer delegate session at Laurelville. Proceeds from the sales of the International Guest House will be distributed to the conference member churches. Council designated Isaac Tice to receive the check on behalf of our church.
9. Council appointments for the coming church year were considered and contacts will be made.