

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

September 4, 2022

10:30 AM

FM 87.9

Welcome

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Congregational Singing

Affirmation of Faith

Children Collecting Coins for My Coins Count

Offering Prayer

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture- *Ephesians 4:17-24*

Message- "*Instructions for Living – Part 1*"

Song of Response

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dBQqda_YDxw

Benediction

Song of Sending

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EDVW9kIjaVM>

Message: John Verburg
Worship Leader: Isaac Tice
Accompanist: Faith Verburg
Worship Planner: Isaac Tice
Sound Room: Ryan Critchfield
Song Leader: Sheera Beitzel
Video: Reuben Tice
Live Stream: Isaac Tice

Guide to our current Sunday school Classes

Sunday School Class #1 (meets in sewing room next to the kitchen)

Our class enjoys sharing and studying the Bible. We are currently studying the book of John. Our teachers are Ken Detrick and Rich Yoder. Everyone is welcome to come and join us.

Sunday School Class #4 (meets beside the pastor's office)

Many of us at Springs have read bits and pieces of the Bible over the years. Have you taken time to understand how the whole Bible tells the salvation story? In German this is referred to as the *heilsgeschichte* (salvation history). Salvation history goes from creation to our current experience. We have been using the book *The Bible as Story: An Introduction to Biblical Literature*. We have just finished the Old Testament and Intertestamental periods and have started in the New Testament. We anticipate finishing this book by early November.

The "Topic Class" (meets in the gym)

We study different short books about the Christian Faith. Several members rotate in leading the discussion with everyone contributing to the class. Sometimes, we stick closely to the book and sometimes, we head in similar directions. In all, we learn a lot about walking with the Lord and being His followers. Beginning in September, we will be studying the book *Flee, Be Silent, Pray* by Ed Czerwinski. Our teachers are, Doug Berg, Don Green, & Eric Haglund.

The "Younger Adult" Sunday School Class (meets in the basement in the larger of the separate rooms)

This class will feature discussions and conversations about important topics mentioned in the Bible. The class encourages each person to join in the conversations. For information, please contact the church office or John Verburg.

Rejoice magazines are now available on the credence stand.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Diana McKenzie and family with the passing of her sister, Linda Warnick.

August 28, 2022 Offering Total
General Offering \$2,765.00

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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!

September 2- Diana McKenzie

September 4- Jane Benson, Madison Mast, Carol Tice

September 5- Beverly Critchfield, Carolyn Tice

September 8- Rebekah Mast

September 10- Julia Tice

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 9- Bob & Nancy Green

Calendar of Events

Sept 6- Elders Meeting, 6:30 PM

Sept 7- Daughters of Dorcas, 9:30-3:30 PM

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



**YOU HEARD ABOUT CHRIST
AND WERE TAUGHT IN HIM
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE**

RUTH

Ephesians 4-21

We are looking for candy donations for the End of Summer Carnival on September 17th. If you would like to make a donation, please place it on the bench in the foyer.

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.

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

Ephesians 4:17-24

¹⁷ So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹ Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

²⁰ That, however, is not the way of life you learned ²¹ when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. ²² You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; ²³ to be made new in the attitude of your minds; ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

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.

Next Sunday, September 11th is the deadline for our Annual Report Booklet reports to be submitted. Every committee/group (all 36) is requested to write something about their work this past year. This report serves as both a historical record and a line of accountability to the entire congregation. If your group did not meet, simply state that fact and explain why, if appropriate. Thanks for making our document as accurate as possible.

IF YOU or ANYONE IN YOUR FAMILY has either moved or changed their phone number since last August, please supply the current contact information to the church office. Thank you!

Next Sunday, September 11th, we will have affirmative response for the new appointees and the returning members of the following committees:

Worship Committee:

New Appointees: Glenn & Tammy Miller, and Beth Green

Returning Members: Isaac Tice & Deb Hoover

Ministers of Visitation:

Returning Members: Ken & Diana Detrick, Shirley Brandes, & Dixie Otto

Discernment Committee:

New Appointee: Terry Livengood

Returning Members: Doug Berg, Nancy Green, Angie Piwonka, & Lois Hepler

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. Diana has a list of preferred food. Thanks.