

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

May 7, 2023

10:30 AM

FM 87.9

Welcome

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Congregational Singing

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles Creed (*HWB #712*)

Offertory Prayer

Children will collect coins for My Coins Count

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture- *Matthew 11:1-5 & 14:1-10*

Sermon- *The Beheading of John the Baptist*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w8jf4Xznmss>

Benediction

Sending Song

Message: John Verburg

Worship Leader: Doug Berg

Worship Planner: Glenn & Tammy Miller

Accompanist: Faith Verburg

Sound Room: Ryan Critchfield

Song Leader: Jane Benson

Video: Reuben Tice

Live Stream: Isaac Tice & Preston Maust

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Calendar of Events

May 8- Worship/Music Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM

May 9- Elders Meeting, 6:30 PM

May 10- Daughters of Dorcas, 9:30-3:30 PM

May 20- Youth Bowling Night at White Oak Lanes, 4-6:00 PM

June 6- Council Meeting, 7:00 PM

June 10- Kids Carnival

June 12- Worship/Music Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM

June 23- Grantsville Days Parade

June 24- Campfire Cookout

June 25-29- Bible School

July 14-15- TriState Relief Sale

Matthew 14:1-10

At that time Herod the tetrarch heard the reports about Jesus, ² and he said to his attendants, "This is John the Baptist; he has risen from the dead! That is why miraculous powers are at work in him."

³ Now Herod had arrested John and bound him and put him in prison because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, ⁴ for John had been saying to him: "It is not lawful for you to have her." ⁵ Herod wanted to kill John, but he was afraid of the people, because they considered John a prophet.

⁶ On Herod's birthday the daughter of Herodias danced for the guests and pleased Herod so much ⁷ that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she asked. ⁸ Prompted by her mother, she said, "Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptist." ⁹ The king was distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he ordered that her request be granted ¹⁰ and had John beheaded in the prison.

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.

Church Information: Phone: (814) 662-4201

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Elders:

Don Green (Chair)- (814) 521-5709

Deb Brenneman- (814) 662-2946

Rosie Cupler- (301) 697-1772

Ken Detrick- (814) 662-2692

Ed Hoover- (814) 521-7128



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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 8- Barbara Bruehl, Daniel Lichty

May 9- Beulah Mae Folk

May 12- Ron Peck

April 30, 2023 Offering Total

General Offering \$5,032.00

Allegheny Conference \$300.00

Attendance 97

**THE BLIND REGAIN THEIR SIGHT
THE LAME WALK
LEPERS ARE CLEANSED
THE DEAF HEAR
THE DEAD ARE RAISED
AND THE POOR HAVE THE GOOD NEWS
PROCLAIMED TO THEM**

Matthew 11:5

Significant Items

Elders Meeting

April 18, 2023

Those in attendance: John Verburg, Don Green, Ken Detrick, Ed Hoover and Deb Brenneman, Rosie Cupler

Devotions were led by Rosie who spoke on the importance of hope in our lives. Rosie mentioned that hope is referenced 164 times in the {ESV} bible. Bringing forth many scripture references, Rosie then stated that as followers of Christ our hope is fulfilled in God.

Approval of the March minutes was given.

Discussion Items:

The Pastor reported that a group had contacted the church about holding a program in June, but because of the fullness of church calendar it was decided to decline.

Contacts have been made and several people have agreed to help coordinate youth activities.

There was discussion about Elders' responsibility to find replacements for those serving on different committees as they are needed. Contacts are being made.

The importance of supporting the different committees serving our congregation was mentioned.

Assignments were given. The meeting closed with prayer for the church and community.

Next meeting Tuesday May 9, 2023, at 6:30 P.M.

A new blog entry for the Tice's is now available:

<http://cetice.wordpress.com/2023/>

Darlene Burkholder, a sister to Shirley Teets and a member here at Springs, passed away on April 30, 2023.

Thank you everyone who helped with Easter visuals including: Rich Beitzel, Esther Beitzel, Glenn and Tammy Miller for loaning, locating, and transporting the 'wall and tomb'; Sharon Livengood for sharing Easter egg napkins for table centerpieces; and Brenda and Alan Coughenour for the white azaleas.

Significant Items

Church Council Meeting

May 2, 2023

- 1. The Council reviewed a draft of proposed guidelines for the church cemeteries.**
- 2. Council agreed to invest approximately one-half of the current available general funds in a Certificate of Deposit or a Money Market account because interest rates are up.**
- 3. Trustees reported on various maintenance projects they are working on.**
- 4. There was a report on upcoming youth activities.**
- 5. Daughters of Dorcas reported on their activities and the projects that they will be able to forward to MCC.**
- 6. There was an update from the Gifts Discernment Committee. Many church positions have been filled by persons who have agreed to continue in their present position.**

Attention all children and youth!! There will be a bowling trip to White Oak Lanes in Cumberland on May 20th from 4-6 pm. Pizza will be served. For more information contact Michelle Maust or Don Green.

A note from The Casselman Valley Helpers Food Pantry:

The Casselman Valley Helpers Food Pantry has seen a steady reduction in government funding over the past several years. We are relying more and more on local help to meet the needs of our clients. We are, once again, making a plea for help to meet these needs.

The CVHFP is not able to use government funding to purchase cleaning or personal hygiene items, but these items are requested more frequently. Items such as soap, toilet paper, paper towels, wipes, deodorant, toothbrushes & toothpaste, household cleaners, dish soap, etc. are in high demand.

We are asking that you please consider making a monetary gift, food, or household product to the CVHFP. We sincerely appreciate your help. For additional information, please contact the CVH Food Pantry Director- Ashley Harpster, (814) 634-5659.

The April 2023 volume of the Allegheny Miscellany is now available in mailboxes.