

# SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

February 23, 2025  
10:30 AM

Welcome

Lighting of Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Congregational Singing

Affirmation of Faith

Offertory Prayer

*\*\*Children will collect coins for My Coins Count\*\**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 3:11

Message: “Renewal through Story: Radical Reformers”

Song of response

Benediction

Sending Song

Message: Phoebe Wiley  
Worship Leader: Sherry Abel  
Announcements & Prayer: Glenn Miller  
Worship Planners: Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka  
Accompanist: Dixie Otto  
Song Leader: Isaac Tice  
Sound Room: Jerry Abel  
Video: Reuben Tice  
Live Stream: Isaac Tice  
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## Calendar of Events

February 25 - Elders' Meeting – 1:00 p.m.  
26 - Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
26 - Secret Sister Reveal – 5:00 p.m. @  
Casselman Restaurant

March 3 - Worship Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m.  
4 - Church Council – 7:00 p.m.  
22 - Bowling 2:00 to 4:00 – Everyone Welcome –  
White Oak Lanes in Cumberland, MD.



In celebration of Mennonite Disaster Service's 75th anniversary, we are inviting church sewing circles and individuals who enjoy sewing, knitting, crocheting, or weaving to join us by creating wall hangings or prayer shawls for our Housewarmer Project during the month of February!

The Housewarmer Project provides quilted wall hangings and prayer shawls to disaster survivors whose homes have been rebuilt or restored by Mennonite Disaster Service. The wall hangings and prayer shawls are presented to the homeowner at the dedication of the home. These handmade gifts are a lasting symbol of compassion and of coming home.

Housewarmer Project information, guidelines, and mailing instructions for completed wall hangings and prayer shawls can be found at [mds.org/housewarmer-project](https://mds.org/housewarmer-project).

**Church Information: Phone:** (814) 662-4201

**Secretary:** Sherry Abel

**Office hours:** Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Email:** [office@springsmc.org](mailto:office@springsmc.org)

**Elders:**

Don Green (Chair) (814) 521-5709

Sherry Abel (814) 233-0510

Rosie Cupler (301) 697-1772

Ken Detrick (814) 662-2692

Ed Hoover (814) 521-7128

**February 16, 2025, Offering Total**

**General Fund** **\$1,547.00**

**Attendance** **60**

**Birthdays:**

**February 25 – Doug Berg**

**27 – Angie Fazenbaker**

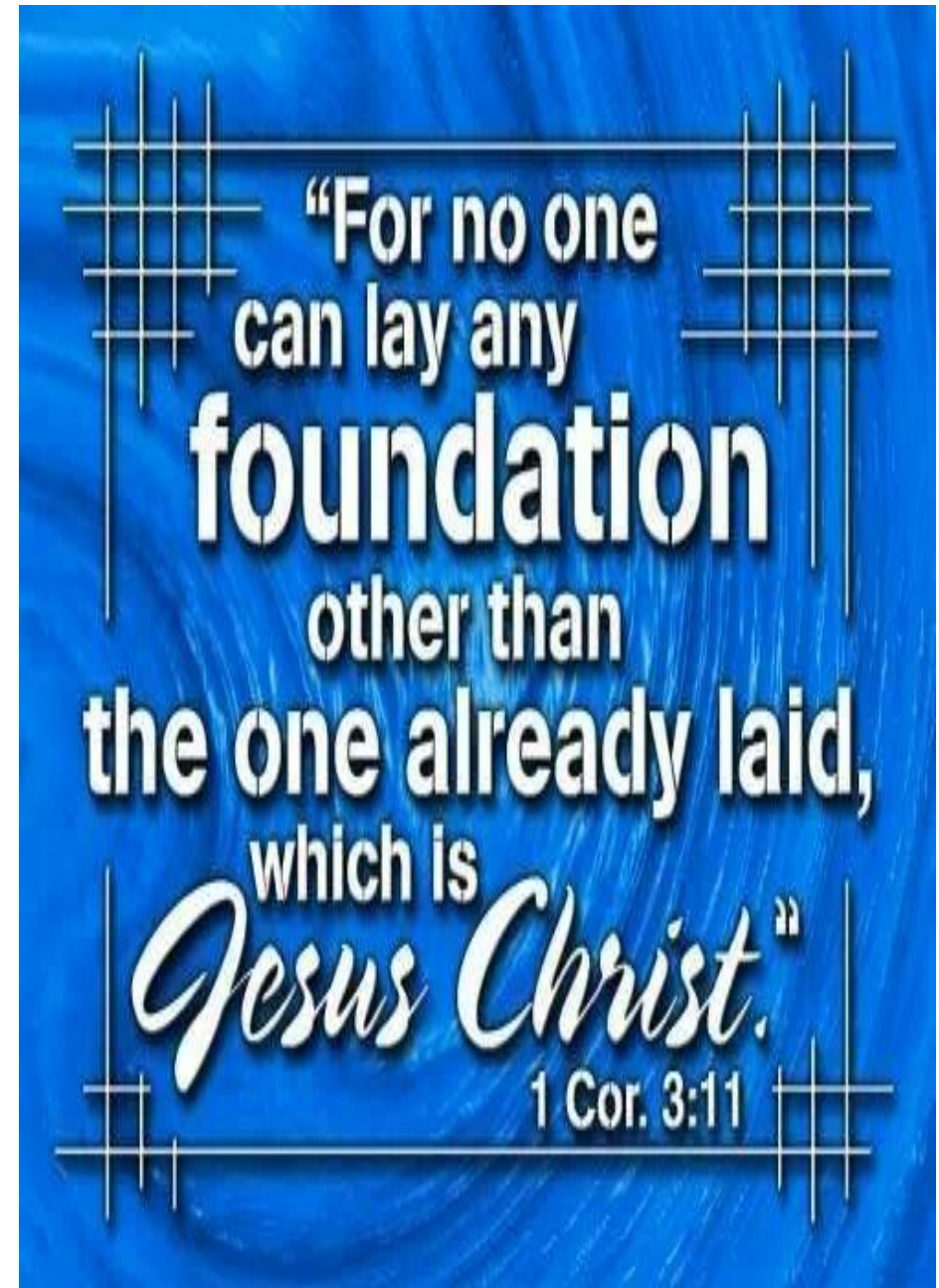
**28 – Kyla Critchfield**



**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.



**Welcome to Springs Mennonite Church**

## Quotations from Menno Simons

“True evangelical faith cannot lie dormant; it clothes the naked, it feeds the hungry; it comforts the sorrowful; it shelters the destitute; it serves those that harm it; it binds up that which is wounded; it has become all things to all creatures.”

“We who were formerly no people at all, and who knew of no peace, are now called to be . . . a church. . . of peace. True Christians do not know vengeance. They are the children of peace. Their hearts overflow with peace. Their mouths speak peace, and they walk in the way of peace.”

“I can neither teach nor live by the faith of others. I must live by my own faith as the Spirit of the Lord has taught me through His Word.”

“The regenerated do not go to war, nor engage in strife. They are children of peace who have beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning forks, and know no war.”

“Lord of hosts! When I swim in the merciful waters of your grace I find that I can neither plumb nor measure the depths.”

## Anabaptist Framework, from Palmer Becker's book *Anabaptist Essentials*

1. **Jesus is the center of our faith.** Anabaptists worship a risen Christ. By placing Jesus at the center of our faith, we view the rest of Scripture through the lens of Jesus, the fullest revelation of God.
2. **Community is the center of our life.** We are committed to each other, both in expressions of forgiveness in community and the reading and interpretation of Scripture. In reading Scripture together, we gain a fuller picture of what God is like. When we encounter life and Scripture together in community, we build a better and fuller picture of what God is like and how God is moving in our midst.
3. **Reconciliation is the center of our work.** This reconciliation is both personal and social. It is the coming together of evangelism and peacemaking. We seek justice and we seek right relationships with ourselves, others, and our triune God. This creates a theology built around a constant dying to self, not a one-time ticket-to-heaven conversion experience.

Anabaptist theology and practice have much to offer our splintered and fragmented world. Placing Jesus as the center of our faith, community at the center of our life, and reconciliation at the center of our work has the power to transform.

**Oak Dale Church in Salisbury, PA invites us to participate in their RENEW 2025 annual Women's Retreat.**

RENEW 2025 will be held Friday evening March 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Featuring: Jodi Jackson Tucker  
Register online @ [www.oakdalechurch.net/renew](http://www.oakdalechurch.net/renew)  
or call 814-662-2547

**Upcoming Speakers for March**

March 2 – Joy Cotchen

March 9 – Wes Bergen

March 16 – Keith Pirolozzi

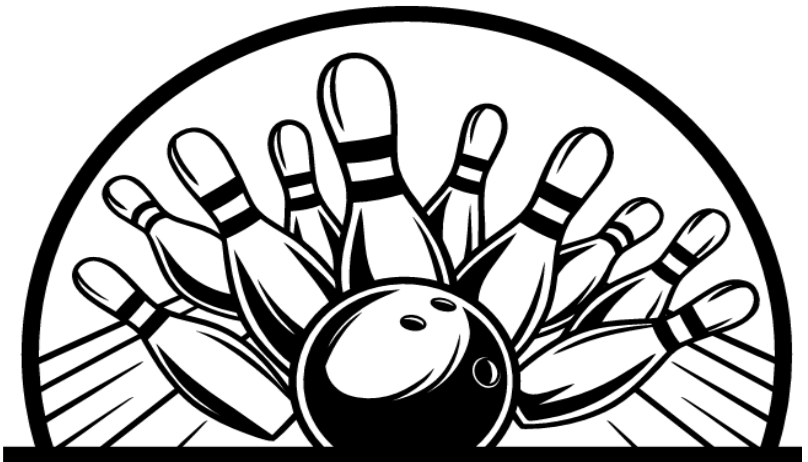
March 23 – Bill Mosholder

March 30 – Ben Yoder

**Take a summer course at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary! Hybrid courses** (combining online work and one week on campus) include “Ethics and Care: Living and Dying with Purpose” and “Preaching.” **In-person courses** (also open to auditors) include “Religion, Violence and Peacebuilding” and “The Spirit World and the Global Church” (also available via videoconference). Nonadmitted students get 50% off their first three credit hours! Register by May 5. [ambs.edu/upcoming-courses](http://ambs.edu/upcoming-courses)

**Online Short Course: Transforming Congregational Conflict and Communication: April 23 – June 3.** Join Betty Pries, PhD, CMed, to explore the possibilities and pitfalls of courageously engaging differences within congregational life in this six-week online Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary short course. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by April 2 to save \$50. [ambs.edu/online-short-courses](http://ambs.edu/online-short-courses)

**Bus Trip to see NOAH at Sight & Sound** – Still time to sign up. **August 16<sup>th</sup>**. Forms are located on the credence stand in the church foyer. Please place completed forms in Sherry Abel's or the Secretary's church mailbox.



**Bowling Sign-up on the Bulletin Board in the Church Foyer.** We need to know who is going bowling by March 2nd. Shoe rental and pizza will be provided.

*Amazing Love* by **Corrie ten Boom** has been added to our church library. The author paints vivid pictures of her experiences in concentration camps and jails. Despite the horrors she witnessed, she found victory in Christ.