



# SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

January 11, 2026



**Ephesians 6:14** “Stand firm, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place.”

## Call to Worship

## Lighting of Peace Lamp

## Opening Songs

**First Reading:** Psalms 9:8-10

## Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 10:30-37

## Song

## Offertory Prayer

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

**Scripture Reading:** Jeremiah 6:13-17

**Message:** A Trinity of Protesters

## Song of response

## Benediction

## Sending Song

**Worship Planners:** Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka

**Worship Leader:** Angie Piwonka

**Message:** Bill Mosholder

**Announcements & Prayer:** Don Green

**Accompanist:** Byron Miller

**Song Leader:** Isaac Tice

**Sound Room:** Noel Livengood

**Video:** Reuben Tice

**Live Stream:** Isaac Tice

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## Calendar of Events

**Today** – Affirmation vote on Article X., granting exceptions for positions to be filled.  
(see notice in bulletin for details)

**January 14** - Daughters of Dorcas – 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**January 14** – Elders’ Meeting at 12:30 p.m.

**January 18** – Allegheny Conference Offering

**January 18** – Intergenerational Sunday School

**January 19** – Worship Committee – 6:00 p.m.

**January 19** – Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. – Revelation

**January 25** – Meal after Church for Wes and Deb’s last Sunday. (see announcement in bulletin)

**January 31** – Intergenerational Bread Making activity at the church starting at 9:30 a.m.  
(more information to follow)

**February 11** – Secret Sister dinner, Casselman Restaurant – 5:00 p.m. (see announcement in bulletin)

## **Church Information**

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

**Pastor:** Wes Bergen (681) 209-2029

**Office hours:** Mornings of Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday

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

**Church Administrator:** Sherry Abel (814) 233-0510

**Office hours:** Tuesday-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

Doug Berg (814) 442-4313

Rosie Cupler (301) 697-1772

Terry Livengood (301) 707-7173

### **January 4, 2026, Attendance and Offering**

**General Fund: \$6,103.00**

**Attendance: 88**

### ***Happy Birthdays***

#### **Birthdays:**

**January 13 – Greta Beitzel**

**14 – Don McKenzie, Scarlett Mitchell**

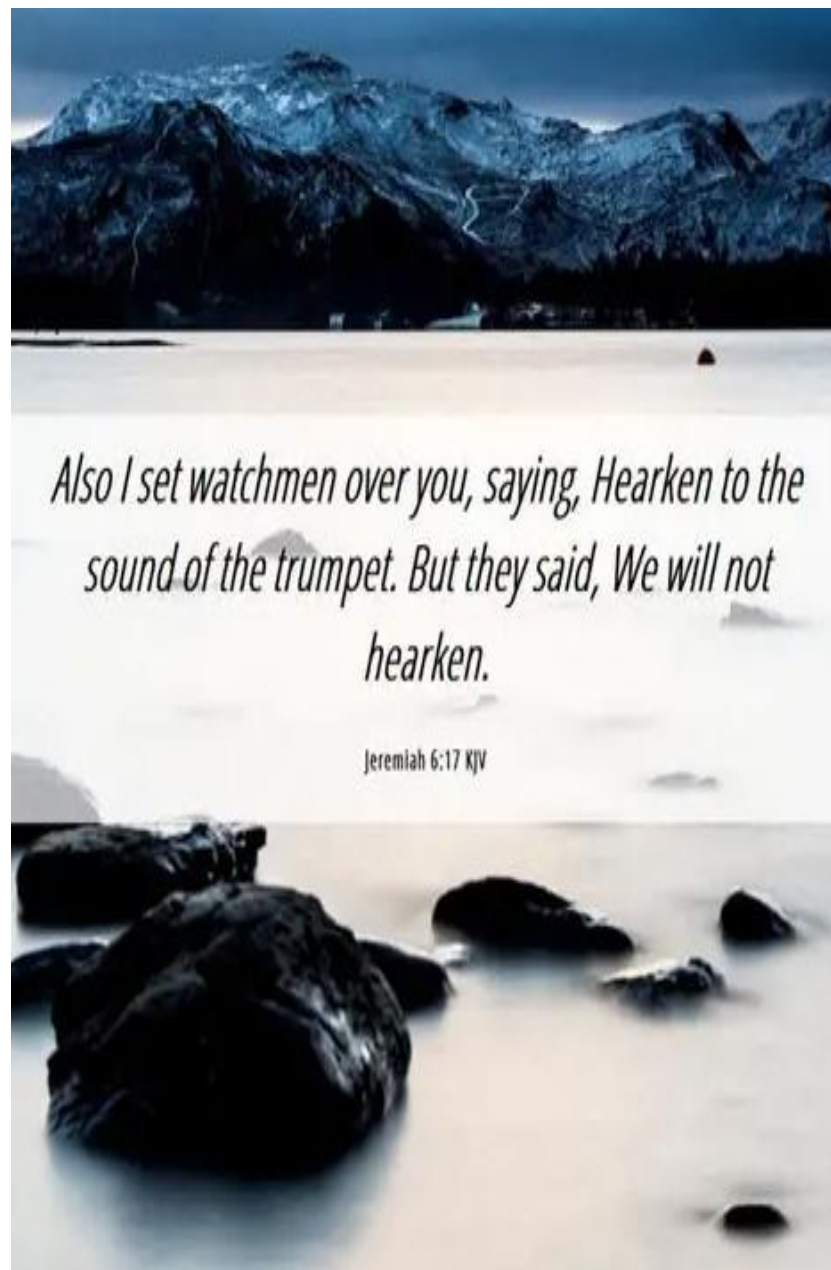
**16 – Henry Yoder**



### **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**



There will be a carry-in lunch following worship services on **Sunday, January 25th**. Everyone is invited to bring a dish to share as we gather together for fellowship. The hospitality committee will supply the meat and drinks.

This marks Deb and Wes's last Sunday with us. We want to extend our best wishes for their future endeavors. Please join us in expressing our appreciation and support as they embark on their next adventures.

Sherry has Jury Duty on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. If I am selected for a trial, I will not be in the office during the day. I will be in some evenings to check email and work on the bulletin.

The **Secret Sisters** program provides an opportunity for participants to offer encouragement and support to one another throughout the upcoming year. This is done through anonymous gifts, thoughtful cards, and prayers, fostering a spirit of kindness and community among all members.

A Secret Sister Dinner will be held at the Casselman Restaurant on Wednesday, February 11th at 5:00 p.m. This gathering is an excellent chance for participants to connect and celebrate their shared commitment to supporting each other.

If you have suggestions for additional questions to be included in the Secret Sisters questionnaire, please reach out to Becky Shoemaker at 814-279-5724. Additionally, please inform Becky if you plan to attend the dinner.

New participants are always welcome and encouraged to join the program.

## Summer Camp at Laurelville

### OVERNIGHT CAMP

June 14-19: Explorer's Camp (ages 8-10)  
 June 21-26: Navigator's Camp (ages 10-12)  
 June 28-July 3: Seeker's Camp (ages 12-14)  
 July 12-17: Disciple's Camp (ages 14-17)  
 July 26-28: Mini Camp (ages 6-10)

Prices:  
 Mini Camp ..... \$265  
 Disciples ..... \$450  
 All Others ..... \$380



### DAY CAMP

Give your child a summer they'll never forget at Laurelville! Every week is bursting with adventure, friendship, and outdoor fun across our stunning 600-acre camp. From hiking through beautiful trails to splashing in the pool, creating one-of-a-kind crafts, and playing GaGa ball or mini golf, there's something for every camper to love.

But it's not just play—your child will grow, explore, and learn through engaging Bible lessons and meaningful experiences, all in a safe, nurturing environment. We keep campers fueled with a tasty lunch and afternoon snack, so they have all the energy they need for a full day of excitement.

Laurelville isn't just camp—it's a summer of memories, growth, and joy your child will treasure forever!

Week 1: June 15-19  
 Week 2: June 22-26

Week 3: June 29-July 3  
 Week 4: July 13-17

Week 5: July 20-24  
 Week 6: July 27-31

Price: \$165

If you register before March 1<sup>st</sup> for overnight camp, there is a \$25.00 discount. For day camp, there is a \$10.00 discount. Campers from all Allegheny Mennonite Conference member churches receive a \$35.00 discount. Our church will pay ½ the cost of the camp, and a Sunday school class will pay \$60.00. If camp is \$380, and you register early, your cost will be \$100.00.

Website - [Laurelville.org/programs-and-events](http://Laurelville.org/programs-and-events)

E-mail – [program@laurelville.org](mailto:program@laurelville.org) Phone – 724-423-2056

Council has had a request from the Gifts Discernment Committee to allow for non-members to serve in some positions when slots cannot be filled with members as required by our Bylaws. Enos and Isaac Tice worked on an amendment that would allow this until the Bylaws can be revised, and Council revised the proposed amendment as follows. The congregation will be asked for affirmation today.

#### **Article X. GRANTING EXCEPTIONS FOR POSITIONS TO BE FILLED**

The following exceptions are being granted through fiscal year 2026-2027 to allow time for the Plan of Organization of the Springs Mennonite Church to be updated.

- A) From time to time the Gifts Discernment Committee, Church Council, or Elders may find it difficult to fill positions that require church membership. When that occurs, and non-members considered to be good candidates for the needed position(s) have been identified, the Gifts Discernment Committee may request the Elders or Council, as appropriate, to grant an exception. Church Council and the Elders can decide if an exception is appropriate for any positions they need to fill.
- B) In some cases, the position to be filled no longer seems to be needed. Elders can grant the exception for not filling positions they or the Gifts Discernment Committee fill and Church Council can grant that exception for positions they fill.

The Elders, Council, and the Gifts Discernment Committee are all agreed to try this process.

#### **Lost and Found**

There is one earring in the church office. Please claim it by getting in touch with Sherry.  
Check the blue Lost and Found box on the shelf in the foyer for more items.

#### **Children's Church Help Needed**

Children's Church will be held on the third Sunday of each month. (unless otherwise notified) This regular schedule allows families to plan ahead and ensures that children have a dedicated time for age-appropriate activities and lessons.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated. If you are interested in helping to organize, plan, or simply lead an activity during Children's Church, please reach out to Sherry Abel. Please let Sherry know which Children's Church Sunday you would help with; we appreciate your help.

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| 2-15-2026 | 8-16-2026  |
| 3-15-2026 | 9-20-2026  |
| 4-19-2026 | 10-18-2026 |
| 5-17-2026 | 11-15-2026 |
| 6-21-2026 | 12-20-2026 |
| 7-19-2026 |            |

#### **The Cumberland Valley Relief Center**

Schedule:

**The Quilt Show** – January 15, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
January 16, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
January 17, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Location: 4225 Molly Pitcher Hwy, Chambersburg, PA

Meat Canning at CVRC March 2 to March 6

April 17 & 18 – PA Relief Sale

See flyer on bulletin board in the Church foyer.