



SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

August 16, 2026

Welcome

Call to Worship

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Congregational Singing

Affirmation of Faith

Announcements & Prayer for the Church

Offertory Prayer – Children come forward to
collect coins for My Coins Count
(Offering Box is in the Church foyer)

Gospel Time

Congregational Singing

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13

Message: “When Being Right is Wrong”

Song of Response

Benediction

Sending Song

Worship Planner: Sandy Brenneman
Worship Leader: Ken Detrick
Gospel Time: Alan Kauffman
Speaker: Alan Kauffman
Announcements & Prayer: Doug Berg
Accompanist: Dixie Otto
Song Leader: Isaac Tice
Sound Room: Don Green
Video: Reuben Tice
Live Stream: Isaac Tice
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Calendar of Events

August 19 – Daughters of Dorcas – 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

August 24 – Worship Committee – 6:00 p.m.

September 4 & 5 – Free Yard Sale – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(Folk Meeting House)

September 11 - 13 – Church Retreat

September 15 – Church Council



These books have
been added to our
church library in
memory of
Mark Folk:

- Dibbens-Wyatt, Keren. *All That Is Made: The Comfort of Contemplative Prayer*. The author invites us to realize that we are loved as we are: small and fragile.
- Klassen-Wiebe, Sheila. *James*. Believers Church Bible Commentary.

The Junior Department Sunday School will begin classes for the 2026-27 year on Sunday, September 6 at 9:30 a.m. in the church basement.

We will have 3 classes:
PreK-Kindergarten; Elementary (grades 1-5); Youth (grades 6-12).
Our classes are led by dedicated, creative teachers.
We hope you will join us!

Church Information

Phone: (814) 662-4201

Church Administrator: Sherry Abel (814) 233-0510

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

Email: 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

August 9, 2026, Attendance and Offering

General Fund: \$2,479.00

Attendance: 80

Happy Birthday:

August 16 – Tom White

19 – Dixie Otto

21 – Steve Fazenbaker

Happy Anniversary:

August 16 – Rod & Brenda Lichty



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: Alan & Nancy Kauffman

Elders' and Gift Discernment Appointments

Committee	Person	Year(s) Serving
Bible School	Nancy Green & Paula Resh (1-year)	2026-2027
Cemetery Committee	Greg Miller	2026-2029
Conference Delegates	Doug Berg, Carolyn Tice	2026-2029
Congregational Chair	Phoebe Wiley	2026-2029
Church Council Secretary	Sally Miller	2026-2029
Gifts Discernment	Nancy Green	2026-2027
HOPE Committee	Deb Brenneman & Tammy Miller	2026-2027
Hospitality Committee	Carol Tice	2026-2029
Junior Department (Superintendent)	Teachers by committee	2026-2027
Librarians	Kim Miller	2026-2029
Ministry of Visitation	Rosie Cupler	2026-2027
Outreach	Seeking members*	
Retreat Committee	Bob & Nancy Green Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka (1 Year)	2026-2027
Trustees	Bob Green	2026-2029
Ushers	Diana Detrick	2026-2027
	Carlene Dowell	2026-2027
	Steve Fazenbaker	2026-2027
	Ryan Miller	2026-2027
	Jeff Pattison	2026-2027
	Jay Resh	2026-2027
Visual Arts	Janet Bender	2026-2028
Worship Committee	Sandy Brenneman, Beth Green,	2026-2027
	Glenn & Tammy Miller;	2026-2027
	Bill Mosholder & Angie Piwonka	2026-2027

*We are seeking members for the **Outreach Committee**:

It is an opportunity to develop ways for the congregation and community to join in fellowship.

Activities have included:

Community picnic, bus trip to Sight and Sound, attending ball games, creating and giving welcome baskets to new residents.

Activities at church included ice cream socials and making your own pizza night. **Interested, contact an Elder.**

Ryan and Brittany Miller are expecting a baby at the end of August. They're keeping the gender a surprise, so if you'd like to bless them with a gift, they would appreciate an Amazon gift card or diapers in any size, **except size 1**, as they already have plenty.



MCC has initiated the **School Kit Challenge** to help pack 30,000 school kits in August. Daughters of Dorcas has agreed to coordinate this project for our church. If you, personally, or a Sunday school class would like to donate to this worthy cause, please make your check payable to Daughters of Dorcas and send to Maryanna Durst no later than Sunday, August 23. **The cost of one kit is \$11.90.** During this church year, Betty Jo Wiley has sewn 200 kit bags.

Last year MCC shipped 89,562 school kits to communities in the United States, Burundi, Chad, Cuba, Ethiopia, Malawi, South Sudan, Ukraine and Zambia.

Thank you

SIGNIFICANT ITEMS
CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
August 4, 2026

1. Sherry is working on an emergency contact list for those who attend our church, but don't have family here, so we would know who to contact in case of an emergency.
2. Council discussed organizing the breakfast fellowship time for the coming church year. Council favors having each class be responsible for a month at a time. Council also supports having the Young Adult Class and Class # 4 work together for their breakfast responsibilities.
3. Council is still working on finding people to serve on the committee to update the church by-laws.
4. Council is still working on filling Church Council appointee positions.
5. Our next meeting will be held on **September 15. Both current and incoming Council members should attend.**

This Week's Pastoral Search Prayer Focus

Conference Minister

- Thank God for Amy Yoder McGloughlin, our current conference minister
- Thank God for her steady, unwavering concern for our congregation
- Pray for candidates to cross paths with her and engage with her
- Pray that she is able to recognize who would be a "good fit" for our congregation

Emergency Contact

Some of us who are a part of our church community do not have family nearby. This can make it more challenging to ensure safety and well-being, especially in the event of an emergency. If you would like, please send your emergency contact information to office@springsmc.org – subject line: emergency contact. The list would go to the Elders, and Pastor when we have one, and a list will be kept in the church office.

Labor Day Weekend is fast approaching.

It's time to be thinking about our annual Free Yard Sale sponsored by Sunday School Class #4!

Any items you want to contribute can be placed in the back half of the World's Attic Closet (located at the bottom of the stairs between the gym and fellowship hall).

Sale Dates: September 4 and 5, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Folk Meeting House



Take a seminary course this fall! Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's distance-friendly options include Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture; Controversial Texts in Paul's Letters (six sessions only); Practical Theology of the Climate Crisis; Spiritual Practices: Prayer and Scripture; Understanding Trauma in Ministry and Peacebuilding; and more. In-person courses are also available. Some courses may be audited. Non-admitted students get 50% off their first two courses for credit! Courses run Sept. 1 – Dec. 11; sign up by Aug. 24. ambs.edu/upcoming-courses