



SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

December 23, 2018

Fellowship and food in the basement

9:00 A.M.

Sunday School

9:30 A.M.

Worship Service

10:30 A.M.

"For the Lamb...will lead them to springs of living water." Revelation 7:17

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer

Congregational Singing

Candle Lighting- Steve and Angie Fazenbaker

Special Music-Ariel Indrisano

Children's Time-Beth Green

Offering-*Children are invited to come forward with the ushers to collect a special offering for MCC's *My Coins Count*.

Special Music- Isaac Tice

Poetry

Congregational Singing

Scripture- *Romans 12:9-21*

Message- *Love is a verb*

Hymn of Response

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song

***Please sign the registries that you will find on the back of the bench in front of you as you welcome those sitting near you. Blue prayer request forms can be placed in the offering plate to be shared during the worship service.*

Message: Paul Versluis

Worship Leader: Julia Tice

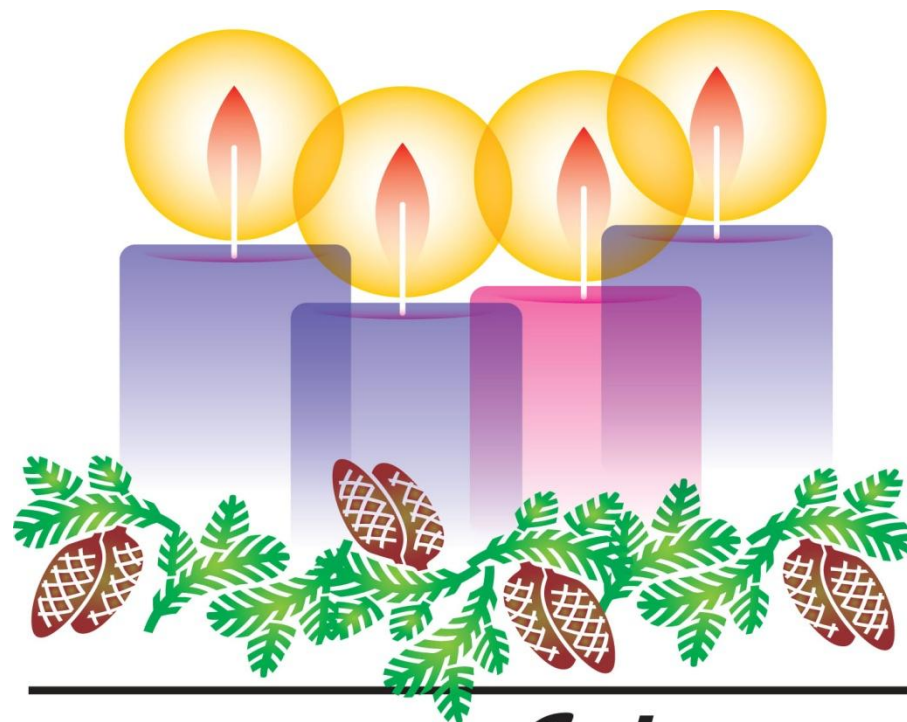
Song Leader: Melinda Gibson

Sound Room: Ryan Critchfield

Children's Time: Beth Green

Video: Reuben Tice

Accompanist: Byron Miller



FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

Church Information: Phone: (814) 662-4201

During our time without a settled pastor, we are blessed to have Paul Versluis as our part-time interim pastor.

Office hours: Monday-Tuesday: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or by appointment

Cell phone: (734) 255-7006

Email: pastor@springsmc.org

If a pastoral need arises when neither the pastor nor Wendy has office hours, please call one of the elders listed below.

Don Green- (814) 662-4309

Melinda Gibson- day: (814) 662-2711; evening: (301) 895-3303

Karin Miller- (301) 707-3432

Enos Tice- (814) 662-4331

Phoebe Wiley- (814) 662-4104

Web address: www.springsmc.org

Secretary: Wendy Brenneman

Email: office@springsmc.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Bulletin: All announcements are due Friday 8:00 a.m.



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.

Board of Elders: Don Green(Chair), Melinda Gibson, Karin Miller
Enos Tice, Phoebe Wiley

Congregational Chair: Terry Livengood

December 16, 2018 Totals

S.S. ATTENDANCE	75
W.S. ATTENDANCE	119
OFFERING	\$3,334.00

Activities This Week

Mon- Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 p.m.

Tues- MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!!

Upcoming Activities

Jan 6- Elders' Meeting

Jan 7- Worship Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Search Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Jan 20- Allegheny Conference Offering

The Search Committee met Wednesday, December 19th with Dave Mishler, Conference Minister. Dave outlined our responsibilities and the seriousness of confidentiality in the process. He affirmed our integrity and openness in the past searches. He indicated he was reasonably optimistic that Springs would find a suitable settled pastor in six months to a year. After approximately an hour Dave left and the committee began the process of revising our Congregational Information Form. Much work was accomplished in the two areas most changed from the last attempt at the CIF but still need more attention. Twenty questions concerning preferences in a pastor will need to be addressed next. It was a good start. Our next meeting is set for January 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Volume 12 of the Allegheny Miscellany is available on the bulletin board outside of the church office.

Garrett United Methodist Church Choir and Friends presents "GOOD NEWS FROM HOME - A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION" on Sunday, January 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Garrett United Methodist Church.

On December 30, our worship theme will be "God's Love Revealed" (Col. 3:12-17). In lieu of a message, the Elders and Worship Committee are inviting **children and adults of ALL ages** to participate in "cardboard testimonies." (See YouTube "Cardboard testimonies" for ideas.) Sunday school teachers are encouraged to bring up the topic in their classes. The "testimony" should answer one of these questions: When have you felt clothed with love or felt God's love for you, either at SMC or elsewhere?/ Contact Melinda or Phoebe for more information.

Springs Mennonite Church Vision Statement

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.