



# SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

March 17, 2019

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*

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## *Lent II God Gathers Us Together in Safe Shelter*

### Musical Prelude

### Welcome/Lighting of the Peace Lamp

### Call to Worship

### Focus Statement-

*When grief and fear overwhelm us, when the panic begins, may God provide shelter. May God give us courage to grieve our losses, and faith to face our fears. May God shelter and protect us like a mother hen who gathers her chicks under her wings.*

### Visual-

*The light of Christ has come into the world. May the light of Christ shine in the nighttime of our grief and fear. Dear Jesus, in my grief and fear, please don't let your light go out in my heart.*

### Hymn of welcome-

**HWB #4-** *Unto Thy Temple, Lord, We Come*

**STJ #118-** *Thy Holy Wings*

**Scripture Readings-** *Psalm 27, 1 Peter 5:1-7*

**Poetry Reading-** *Though miles and miles away-* Joy Versluis

### Congregational Hymn-

**STS #99-** *The Lord's my shepherd*

### Children's Story- "Holding hands in the storm"

-A story told by congressman John Lewis

### Offering\*

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

**Sermon-** *"Don't be afraid, my love is stronger than your fear"*

Moving from the house of fear to the house of faith

### Hymn of Response-

**HWB #515-** *Jesus, Rock of Ages*

### Time of Confession

### Sharing and Prayers

### Benediction

### Hymn of Sending-

**HWB #538-** *Lead Me, Lord*



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*\*\*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.*

Worship Leader: Joy Versluis

Song Leader: Jane Benson

Sound Room: Don Green

Sermon/Children's Time: Paul Versluis

Video: Reuben Tice

Accompanist: Byron Miller

**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](mailto: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

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**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.

**AED (Automated External Defibrillator)** is located at the back of the church near the elevator.

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

**Congregational Chair:** Terry Livengood

**March 10, 2019 Totals**

<b>S.S. ATTENDANCE</b>	53
<b>W.S. ATTENDANCE</b>	84
<b>OFFERING</b>	\$4,072.00

**This Week's Activities**

Tues- Daughters of Dorcas, 9:30-3:30 p.m.

Thurs- Women's AM Bible Study, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Sat- TriState Relief Sale Work Day,  
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Upcoming Activities**

April 2- Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

April 4- Prayer Ministry Team, 7:00 p.m.  
Ken and Diana's Home

April 18- Prayer Ministry Team, 7:00 p.m.  
Ken and Diana's Home

**MCC is in need of sewing kits at this time.** Cost of the kits is \$13.60 each. Anyone wishing to donate to this cause may make checks payable to Daughters of Dorcas and place them in Jane Benson's mail box. Thank you for your consideration!

**Oak Dale Church in Salisbury, PA** invites the ladies of our church to participate in their RENEW 2019 annual Women's Retreat. RENEW 2019 will be held this Friday evening, from 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. You can register online at [www.oakdalechurch.net/renew](http://www.oakdalechurch.net/renew) or call (814) 662-2547.

**You are invited to join the Daughters of Dorcas** for the TriState Relief Sale work day this Saturday from 9 to 3. There will be quilts and comforters to work on. Come, bring a covered dish to share, and enjoy good fellowship while making a contribution to MCC. **Les Horning will be with us to give a short presentation about MCC at noon time.**

#### **Five Wishes Booklets Available on Credence Stand**

*Five Wishes* takes the guessing out of caring by planning before a health crisis. Though we don't like to think about it, a change in health or an accident can happen to any of us. That's why it's important for all of us, regardless of age or health, to have a plan that documents our health care wishes in case we become unable to make important treatment decisions, or communicate choices. If you don't designate the person you want to make your health care decisions, someone else will be chosen for you who may not know your wishes. *Five Wishes* provides a means to legally document a health care surrogate, choices for medical treatment, comfort and care wishes, as well as what you want your loved ones to know. Council & Elders encourage each person 18 and older to take a copy, fill it out, and keep it in a safe place, known to your next-of-kin.

**Bethani Hayhurst** wishes to transfer her membership to Oak Dale Church.

#### **Elders Significant Items**

**03/11/2019**

All members in attendance except Karin Miller

- 1) Gifts Discernment Committee has been actively seeking replacements for the two Elders whose terms are complete in August.
- 2) Possible replacements for Shirley Brandes on the Worship Committee were discussed.
- 3) Bethani Hayhurst has asked for a transfer of membership to Oakdale Mennonite Church.
- 4) The Worship Committee's plans for the Easter services were discussed.

The meeting adjourned with a time of prayer for the church and individual concerns.



*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.*