

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

October 25, 2020

Welcome

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

Opening Songs -

COME, NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP

(chorus)

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are, to worship.

Come, just as you are, before your God.

Come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God,

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose you now. (repeat chorus)

I WILL CALL UPON THE LORD

I will call upon the Lord, (men--echo)

Who is worthy to be praised. (men--echo)

So shall I be saved from my enemies (men--echo)

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock;

And let the God of my salvation be exalted.

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Affirmation of Faith

Offertory Prayer

Children's Video

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture- *Luke 15:18-24*

¹⁸ *I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants. ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father.*

“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

²¹ *“The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’*

²² *“But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³ Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. ²⁴ For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.*

Message- *Putting aside resentment to be thankful*

Visual Song of Response*

Benediction

**During this song we invite you to quietly meditate on the lyrics projected on the screen*

We invite you to fellowship together in the parking lot.

Worship Leader- Isaac Tice

Message- John Verburg

Sound Room- Ryan Critchfield

Accompanist- Dixie Otto

Song Leader- Deb Hoover

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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.

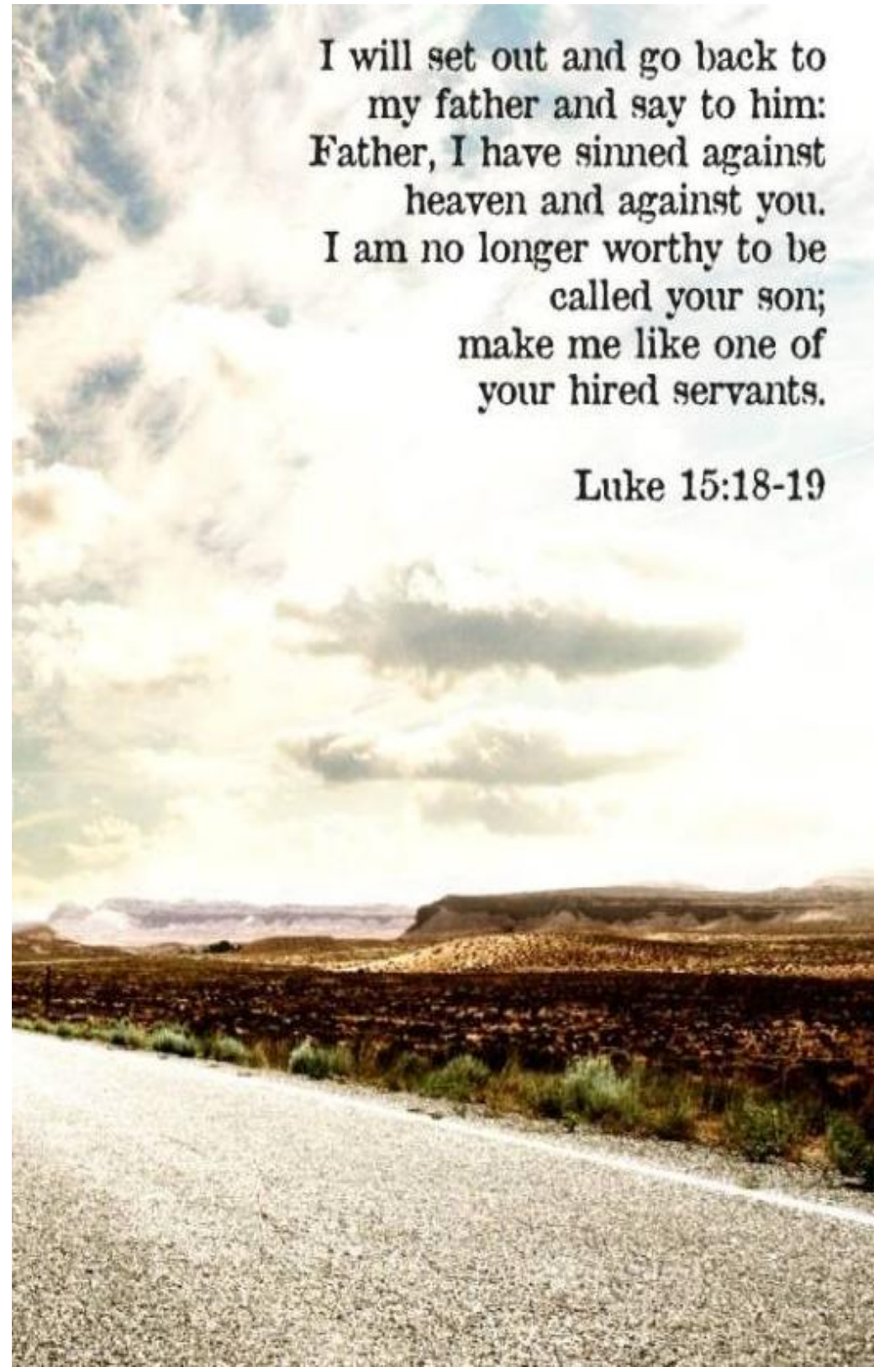
October 25, 2020 Totals

**W.S. Attendance
Offering**

**75
\$3,540.00**

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Luke 15:18-19



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 1- Richard Beitzel

November 4- Amy Jo Wright

November 5- Cade Critchfield

November 6- Betty Kinsinger

November 7- Melinda Gibson, Michael Miller

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

November 2- Lyndon & Marcia Saylor

Dates to Remember

Council Meeting- November 3

Elders Meeting- November 17

Community Thanksgiving Dinner- November 18

Music/Worship Committee Meeting- November 19

Special Missions Offering- November 22

Thank you God

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.

Allegheny Mennonite Conference will be holding its fall gathering on November 7th at 10:00 AM via zoom. This will be an important meeting because one of the issues that will be discussed is the distribution of the proceeds from the sale of the international guest house in Washington D.C. Seven delegates which is our allotment have already been chosen for this meeting but anyone that would like to listen in and participate as a guest is welcome to. If you would like to participate please contact Doug Berg to get the zoom address and linkage.

Let us give thanks! We are looking for pumpkin pie donations as well as volunteers for our Drive-Thru Community Thanksgiving Dinner on November 18th from 5-6:30 p.m. If you would like to donate your time or a pie, please sign-up on the bulletin board in the foyer.

There is an on-line collection of historical photos in memory of George Dooley for anyone who is interested:

<https://onedrive.live.com/?authkey=%21AA7uLGh4tU5v%2Ds&cid=80D17BB9B1A114EE&id=80D17BB9B1A114EE%215118&parId=root&o=OneUp>

David Verburg (John's son) is an American track and field athlete who specialized in the 400 meters. He holds gold medals in the 4 × 400 m relay from the 2016 Olympics; the 2013 and 2015 World Championships; and the 2014 Indoor World Championships will be speaking on November 15th during our morning worship service.

Please be sure to check your mailbox and return your Informational Directory update sheet to the church office by November 14th. If you did not receive an update sheet and would like to be added to our Informational Directory please contact the church office.

Highlights from the Elders Meeting on October 20, 2020

In attendance: John Verberg, Ken Detrick, Glenn Miller, Deb Brenneman, and Sherry Abel

1. Sherry gave the devotional.
2. The inside services are going very well. Some people are staying in their cars. Pastor John is going to check with the Ushers to see if they can reserve parking for the people that are staying in their cars for the Worship service. May need to reserve at least 6 parking places.
3. Per Deb, there will be no cookie exchange this year because of COVID, instead suggestion of delivering poinsettia to the shut-ins, instead of the usual delivery of cookies.
 - a. Ken will ask the Church Council about funding the poinsettia, the quality should be anywhere from 30 to 40.
4. 4. Deb discuss a project she would like to get the Church to Sponsor. Light up the Night on December 5th. To get information out to the communities, in Springs, Grantsville, and Salisbury to place decorate with lights, candles in the windows, or lights on trees. Because of COVID, it will be hard to celebrate Christmas this year with friends and family and this will bring some cheer to the community in the spirit of Joy, Hope and Love.
5. Suggestion from Deb to have the weekly bulletins mailed to our members at Goodwill. The Pastor will have Wendy start working on this. Goodwill is holding mail for 3 days after they receive it before they distributed to the residents.
 - a. Per Pastor John, he has asked Wendy to go through the mailboxes of people that have not picked up their mail and to get rid of outdated material. Place a friendly reminder for people to pick up their mail in the Church mailboxes.

6. November 22nd there will be a mission offering and a larger percentage will go to MCC. Also, this Sunday the church will collect can goods.

7. Pastor John stated he is excited about the movie this Saturday, October 24th, that Jeff and Jerry is going to show as a drive in movie. We are hoping for a good turnout for Charlie Brown Great Pumpkin and Toy Story. Pizza, popcorn, and candy will be served.

8. Pastor discuss the area outside where they want to build a stage for next year. He stated to get this idea out to people. He is hoping we can do outside service at 9:30 a.m. in June, July and August and give Sunday School teachers a break during this time.

9. Pastor John will not be here on December 27th, Ken will have to get a guest speaker for that Sunday.

