

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

January 3, 2021

10:30 AM

Welcome

Call to Worship – Adapted from Isaiah 60:4-6; Psalm 72:12

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around:

People: God delivers the needy when they call.

Leader: Let your hearts thrill and rejoice.

People: God will deliver the poor and those who have no helper.

Leader: The nations will bring gold and frankincense before the Lord.

People: We shall see and be radiant,

All: and we will proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Lighting of the Christ candle

Opening song: HWB 218: As with gladness men of old

Affirmation of faith

Offertory prayer

Children's video

Monologue: “The Magi Seek the Messiah”

(adapted from Matthew 2:1-12)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6

*“Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.*

² *See, darkness covers the earth
and thick darkness is over the peoples,
but the LORD rises upon you
and his glory appears over you.*

³ *Nations will come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.*
⁴ *“Lift up your eyes and look about you:
All assemble and come to you;
your sons come from afar,
and your daughters are carried on the hip.*
⁵ *Then you will look and be radiant,
your heart will throb and swell with joy;
the wealth on the seas will be brought to you,
to you the riches of the nations will come.*
⁶ *Herds of camels will cover your land,
young camels of Midian and Ephah.
And all from Sheba will come,
bearing gold and incense
and proclaiming the praise of the LORD.*

Message: *On the road to radiance*

Visual song of response

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yRhDi2aK5ac>

Benediction:

People of God, people on the road, arise and shine!

Go forth in the radiance of God: for your light has come
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Doxology

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C3V4paAmFiM>

**We invite you to fellowship together in the parking lot.*

Worship Leader: Beth Green

Monologue: Laban Tice

Message: John Verburg

Accompanist: Byron Miller

Sound Room: Ryan Critchfield

Song Leader: Phoebe Wiley

Video: Reuben Tice

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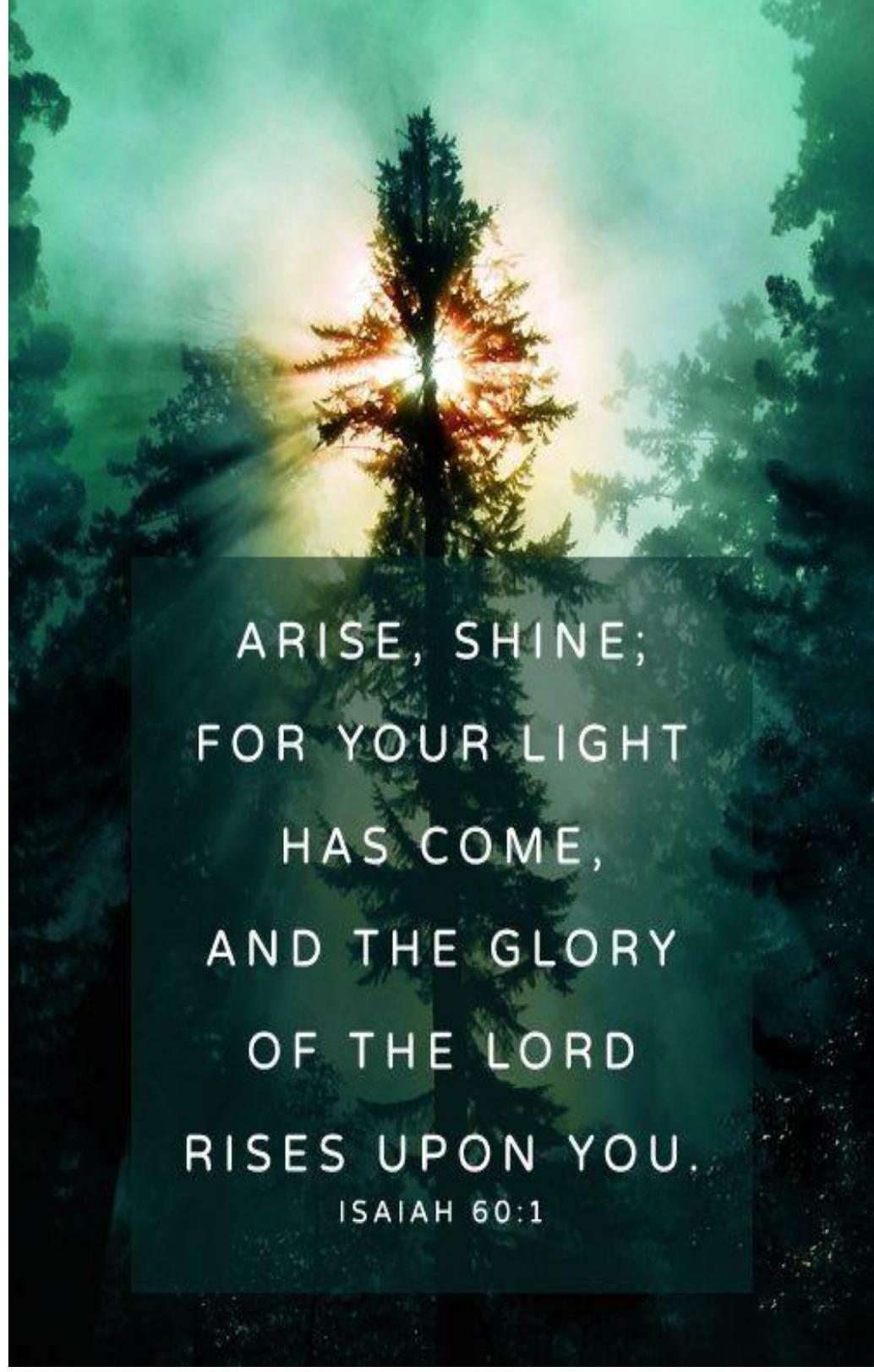
A restroom and elevator are available on the main floor. There is also a restroom located downstairs in the basement. There are also large print song books and hearing devices; please ask an usher for assistance with these items.

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

December 27, 2020 Totals

W.S. Attendance
General Offering

48
\$4,265.00



ARISE, SHINE;
FOR YOUR LIGHT
HAS COME,
AND THE GLORY
OF THE LORD
RISES UPON YOU.
ISAIAH 60:1

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 4- Byron Miller

January 5- Aubrey McNeill

January 7- Todd Gibson, John Verburg

January 8- Richard Yoder

January 9- Rick Critchfield, Tim Kinsinger

I Am Not Your Enemy; Stories to Transform a Divided World by Michael McRay has been added to our church library. These personal stories of conflict, justice and reconciliation kindle compassion and ignite hope.

Poinsettias: We are happy to have your poinsettias continue to brighten the sanctuary, and you may leave them at the church as long as you wish. However, you are also welcome to take yours at any time. There are sleeves to protect it on a front pew.

A baby Jesus in the manger is missing. During Advent and Christmas in 2019, many people shared their nativities on the window sills in the sanctuary. This year someone who had shared a miniature nativity discovered that the figure of baby Jesus in the manger is missing from their set. If anyone found that the missing piece inadvertently got mixed in with their nativity, please contact Rosie Cupler or Janet Bender, or bring it to the church office. We hope to be able to find and return this central piece of the nativity.

Our Christian sympathy and condolences go out to the Dave & Sandy Brenneman and Rick & Deanna Yoder families at the passing of Dave's and Rick's mothers.

We extend our Christian sympathy and condolences to the family of Ada and Elnora Schrock who passed away at Goodwill.

The December volume of the Allegheny Miscellany is now available in your church mailbox.



A New Year's Prayer

Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope alive in our hearts
And cause our Spirits to be born
again.

Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time, many will see
the wonders of God
And live forever to praise Your
glorious name.

Amen.

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.

