

SPRINGS MENNONITE CHURCH

August 22, 2021

10:00 AM

FM 87.9

Rain or shine worship will begin at 10:00 AM

*Children's Church is available at the pavilion during worship.

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening songs

Sharing of Congregational Concerns

Offertory Prayer

Scripture- *Job 12:7-12*

⁷ *“But ask the animals, and they will teach you,
or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you;*

⁸ *or speak to the earth, and it will teach you,
or let the fish in the sea inform you.*

⁹ *Which of all these does not know
that the hand of the LORD has done this?*

¹⁰ *In his hand is the life of every creature
and the breath of all mankind.*

¹¹ *Does not the ear test words
as the tongue tastes food?*

¹² *Is not wisdom found among the aged?
Does not long life bring understanding?*

Message- *Ask and Listen*

Benediction



Worship Leader: Pat Haglund

Message: Eric Haglund

Accompanist: Dixie Otto

Sound Room: Jerry Abel

Song Leader: Deb Hoover

Video: Reuben Tice

Church Information: Phone: (814) 662-4201

Pastor: John Verburg

Office hours: Generally Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
or by appointment

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Cell Phone: (814) 279-8637

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and otherwise by
appointment



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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

August 27- Kyle Pattison, Roberto Pattison

August 28- Mary Durst, Rachel Durst

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

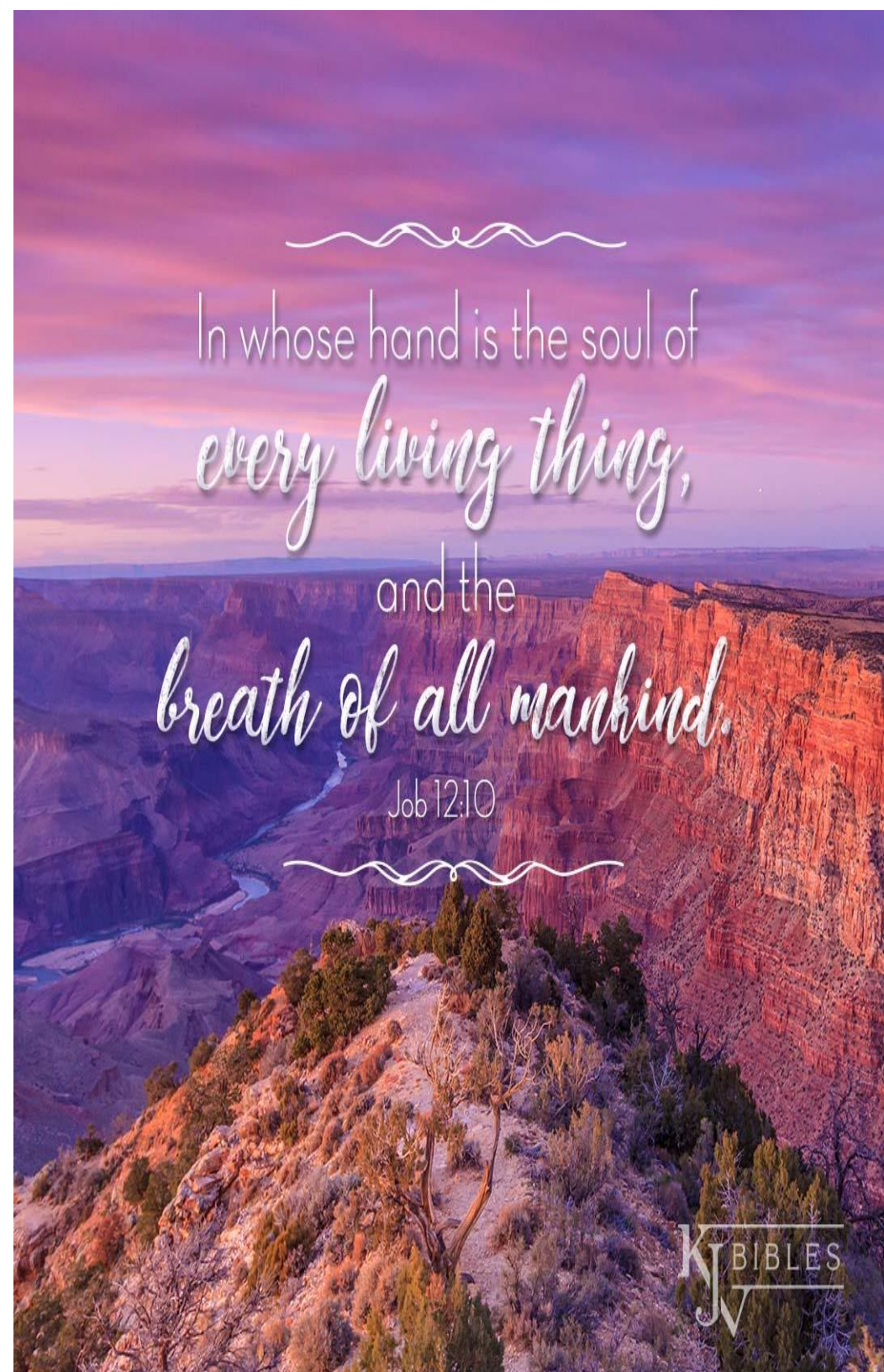
August 28- Sigvard & Jane Benson

Calendar of Events

August 25- Daughters of Dorcas 9:30 AM- 3:30 PM

September 3&4- FREE Yard Sale, 9 AM-2 PM

September 19-Annual Reports due



Notes from Elders' Meeting on 8-17-2021

Attendance: Ken Detrick, Glenn Miller, Julia Tice, Deb Brenneman, Don Green, and Sherry Abel

1. Ken opened the meeting with prayer.
2. Don Green will be commissioned as an Elder, after notice in the bulletin for two weeks. His term will begin September 1.
3. Church Council requested budget information from the Elders:
 - a. The Brotherhood Fund is asking for \$2,000 (the same amount requested in the past).
 - b. The Elders request raising the Guest Speaker Fund from \$2,000 to \$2,500.
4. The Elders discussed committee member appointments for Gifts Discernment, Minister of Visitation and Worship Committee.
5. The Elders are very concerned about the current outbreak of the Delta variant of COVID. As a result:
 - a. The Community Picnic has been canceled for this year.
 - b. The Church Retreat will be postponed for this fall, but may be held in the spring of 2022.
 - c. We will resume indoor worship starting in September; wearing masks will be highly suggested. Rosie and Janet will be asked by Deb Brenneman to again place the ties on every other pew. Deb will also ask Wendy if she has extra masks that can be placed in the church.
 - d. Deb B. talked with Holly and Carolyn, and they are delaying both Children's Sunday school and Children's Church originally scheduled to resume in September.
 - e. Don suggested Adult Sunday school could be recorded and could be viewed any time.
 - f. The two adult Sunday school classes will continue as they are meeting currently.
 - g. Fellowship Time before Sunday school is canceled for now.
6. Discussion: As a reminder, when the Church is being used for an event other than a Church event, the reservation needs to be made with Wendy and will be noted on the calendar in the hall outside Wendy's office.

Two books by author Kathleen Norris have been added to our church library:

Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith. Frequently irreverent and funny, the author makes us converts to her warm, simple faith. (NYTimes Notable Book)

Dakota: A Spiritual Geography. A book of stories, a book of prayer, a book to be read meditatively. This is a gift of hope.

Please note as an addendum to the Informational Directory that Miriam Coughenour's birthday is December 1.

Thank you to these people who helped with Children's Church this summer:

Sherry Abel, Sheera Beitzel, Janet Bender, Deb Brenneman
Holly Clark, Beverly Critchfield, Angie Fazenbaker,
Steve Fazenbaker, Melinda Gibson, Beth Green, Nancy Green,
Deb Hoover & Kim Miller

2020-2021 Annual Report Booklet

August will soon be history and with it, another church year. Each group or organization within our congregation is asked to provide written documentation of the group's activities this past year. Recognizing that this past year was not a "normal" year, a report is still requested. This Annual Report Booklet not only serves as a line of accountability to the congregation; but also becomes a part of our historical record as well. It is significant that each report mentions any impact COVID restrictions had on processes, outcomes, activities, etc. (Remember that financial records need to be verified by two persons prior to submission.)

Should you have any questions as to what information you should include in your report, please either refer to last year's report booklet or contact Carolyn Tice.

Please have reports emailed to cetice@comcast.net by the third Sunday in September: Sept. 19th.

Please note a new address and phone number for Shirley Brandes:

Shirley Brandes
891 Dorsey Hotel Road
Grantsville, MD 21536
Room #4204
(301) 895-3876

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It's time to start the Annual Report Booklet's membership listing updates. I would appreciate knowing the **current contact information** of any members who have moved or changed their phone number, either since the January 2021 Informational Directory OR since last year's (August 2020) Annual Report Booklet. Additionally, if any information was incorrect in last year's booklet, please let me know. Many thanks. Carolyn Tice

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.

August 15, 2021 Totals

W.S. Attendance

N/A

General Offering

\$5,268.00

Soon and Very Soon

Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
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Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

In the Bulb There is a Flower

In the bulb there is a flower, in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in ev'ry silence, seeking word and melody.
There's a dawn in ev'ry darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.