

Announcements
Springdale Mennonite Church
February 11, 2018

Please pray for Darrell Beyeler (scheduled for surgery on Feb. 20 for an abdominal aortic aneurysm); Oliver & Fadila Badal & Family (Oliver is still seeking employment); and Ranita Shenk & Johnny Stoll (who have agreed to serve as MYF sponsors).

You are invited to a time of **prayer & fasting** for our congregation and the Auricle Process today following worship in Rooms #2 & 3 (lasting up to an hour). Please note – if you are unable to fast for medical reasons, you are still invited to participate, possibly choosing to fast from one specific item. Sharon Shenk will be available to provide childcare as needed.

Wednesday evening meals & activities will continue this week (Feb. 14), with supper at 5:30 p.m. and School for Christian Living / activities for children & youth at 6:30. ***Please note -- this week's meal will be a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for our JMYFers with a Valentine dessert, so please plan to participate!*** A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer. *Volunteers are also needed to share about your M-F faith over the next few Wednesdays! Please talk to Pastor Kevin if willing to share.*

Baptism & Parent-Child Dedication:

- Youth or Adults -- If you would like to explore the possibility of being baptized in the near future, please talk to Pastor Kevin.
- Parents -- A Parent-Child Dedication will be held at Springdale on March 4. For additional information, please talk to Pastor Kevin.

Mark your calendars for these **upcoming events:**

- Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14 - The sanctuary will be open from 5:00-8:15 that evening for silent reflection & prayer; guiding scriptures will be available.
- Singing at Augusta Health, Feb. 18, 4 p.m.
- Coffee House & Game Night / Lock-In, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. - The congregation is invited to a coffee house/game night, after which the MYFers will stay for an overnight lock-in.
- Hosting WARM - The dates have been changed to Mar. 19-26. Please sign up in the foyer if you can help.
- Bake Sale Fundraiser for the Greens, April 14, at Sharp Shopper.

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Your feedback is needed regarding Church Day Out, which will be held July 6-8 at Highland Retreat. Because of Highland's reservation policies/ deadlines & our desire to avoid paying for areas we do not use, it is very important that we get a sense of how many campsites (\$28-\$34/night); A-frame cabins (\$40/night minimum, price dependent upon number of users); and rooms at the Mountain View Retreat Center (\$168.48/weekend/2 adults) will be used! You can find add'l information about the Retreat Center rooms at www.highlandretreat.org/mountain-view-retreat-center/. Please sign up on the sheet in the church foyer today if possible to reserve lodging, ***especially Retreat Center rooms.*** Please note -- after reservation information is given to Highland this week, there is no guarantee that additional Retreat Center rooms will be available for that weekend (there is more flexibility with the campsites and A-frame cabins). Thank you!

Bookmarks have been created with information/prayer suggestions regarding the Auricle Process. These were placed in church mailboxes last Sunday, and extra copies are available in the literature rack.

The **Everence Sharing Funds** provided \$2,500 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Dave Miner serves as the Everence Advocate for our congregation. Please contact him for more information.

If you would like to be part of the **pen pal letter-writing outreach** for Rehoboth Jail & Prison Ministry, please contact Ron Baker at 434-831-2593 or RRBak@juno.com, or visit www.jailandprisonministries.org for additional information.

Copies of Mennonite Mission Network's **prayer directory** ("Mission Mosaic") for 2018 are available under the church mailboxes. Feel free to take one to browse or pray through, and keep or return as you prefer.

Items on the Bulletin Board or Under Church Mailboxes

(Check Springdale's website for a full list of Conference announcements.)

- Highland Retreat benefit auction, Sat, Feb. 17, at EMHS, to help subsidize camp tuition for all camper families/provide scholarships for those with greater need. To donate (a new item, service, collectible or baked good), email info@highlandretreat.org or visit www.highlandretreat.org.
- MCC turkey canning, Hinton, VA, Feb. 26-Mar. 2; Virginia Mennonite Conference churches are asked to help on Feb. 27.
- VOCES8 concert, Feb. 27, 8 p.m., EMHS. See Mary F./Sara Beth M. for advance tickets (\$15-adult; \$10-student/senior); or \$20 at the door.
- Highland Retreat summer camp information; please contact the church office if you would like to apply for a camp scholarship.