

Announcements
Springdale Mennonite Church
April 2, 2017

Please pray for Russ & Martha Laub (see note); **the Sherk family** (see note); and Steve & Carol Blair (moving to South Carolina).

Fifth Sunday of Lent: When we come to the end of ourselves, we recognize the reality of death in and around us. God's Spirit breathes life into us, revealing God's glory and purpose. Only then are we restored.

Our **love and prayers** are with Sharon, Alan, Rachel & Ranita Sherk, as Sharon's mother, Martha Belle Burkholder, passed away on Mar. 24.

Martha Laub recently suffered a severe emotional breakdown and is receiving in-patient treatment. **Please keep her and Russ in your prayers.** Cards for Martha may be sent to Saint Albans, 2900 Lamb Circle, Christiansburg, Virginia, 24073.

Springdale commissions are starting **budgeting work** for the next fiscal year. If you have budget-related questions/suggestions, please contact the appropriate commission coordinator (*Education - Drew Bugden; Fellowship - Nancy Stoll; Finance - Danny Showalter; Missions - Darrell Weaver; Worship - Marian Mininger*) in the very near future.

All men are invited to a time of **coffee & conversation** this Tues., Apr. 4, at 8:30 a.m., at Donuts Delight in Stuarts Draft.

The **Primary Sunday School Dep't will gather** at the church (4:30-7 p.m.) this Wed., April 5, to play baseball (softball?) and eat dinner together. Others in the congregation are invited to join! Dinner will be served at 5:30. Please RSVP to Carleen Layman.

Congregational prayer gathering, this Wed., Apr. 5, at 7 p.m. Join us!

A **Primary Sunday School Easter Party** will be held at Dave & Mim Wenger's home on April 12 at 4:30 p.m.! If you would like to donate candy for the egg hunt (small enough to fit into a plastic egg), please give it to Wendy Hochstedler or Carleen Layman.

Volunteers are needed to sing, play music or read scripture at our **Good Friday service** on April 14, at 7 p.m. If you would like to offer your gifts in this way, please talk to Marian Mininger or Pastor Kevin. Thanks!

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A special offer is available for **new subscribers to "The Mennonite."** Please talk to Nancy Stoll by Apr. 9 if interested (copies of this magazine may be viewed in the church library).

Easter Sunday Schedule (April 16):

- Sunrise Service (6:30 a.m., +/-) - Dale & Paula Martin's home (rain cancels - a decision will be made by 9 p.m. on Sat.);
- Continental Breakfast (8:45 a.m.) - Please sign up to bring ready-to-serve breakfast casseroles or fruit salads;
- Worship Celebration (10 a.m.) - Please bring flowers to be placed on the cross during worship (note time change)!

Final call to help Kerry Showalter **raise funds for Young Life camp** this summer! Talk to him or Lisa (his mom) to order mulch or to contribute towards the 5K he will be running.

On Sat., April 22, the Springdale youth will host a **Yard & Bake Sale** on the back lawn of the church. You are invited to donate items for the youth to sell or rent a space/table to sell your own items. Baked goods will also be gladly accepted to help the youth raise funds to attend the Mennonite Youth Convention in Florida this summer. Talk to Krista Powell with questions.

For a Mother's Day project, the Primary Sunday School Dep't needs **LOTS of glass bottles with narrowed necks** in clear/blue/green glass (no brown beer bottles and no wine bottles): salad dressing bottles, ciders, colas, cold coffees, sauces...small to medium-sized (a good time to purge the recesses of your fridge ☺)! Please place bottles in the box in the foyer, give them to Wendy H./Carleen L., or let them know & they will pick them up. Thanks!

Mark your calendars for the following **upcoming events**:

- Southern District Festival of Praise (Apr. 23, 6 p.m., Lynside M.C.);
- Trash Pick-Up along Hall School Road (Apr. 26, 6 p.m.);
- Vacation Bible School (June 22-25, Lynside M.C.).

Items on the Bulletin Board or Under Church Mailboxes

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

- Schola Cantorum's performance of Brahms' "Requiem," today, 3 p.m., First Baptist Church, W'boro. Free admission. *Nelson Driver and Christine Fairfield are part of this group.*
- Inauguration of EMU's new president, Dr. Susan Schultz Huxman, Apr. 7, 1 p.m., University Commons.
- Benefit concert for WARM, featuring pianist Rick Labate, Apr. 8, 6:30 p.m., W'boro Seventh Day Adventist Church (Lyndhurst Rd.).