

Announcements
Springdale Mennonite Church
April 23, 2017

Please pray for Jim Brenneman (surgery on April 18 to relieve pressure on a nerve that was causing arm/hand numbness/pain); and Kim Powell (surgery on April 19).

Worship Commission would like to **thank the many persons** who offered their gifts in one way or another during our recent lent/Holy week/Easter services. It truly has been a team effort. To God be all the glory!

Opportunities to Sing (and Fellowship):

- Singing this afternoon at Augusta Health, 4-4:30 p.m.
- This evening at the annual Southern District Hymn-Sing, 6 p.m., at Lynside Mennonite Church - Come and hear missional stories from our district churches as we blend our voices together in songs of praise.
Please bring finger foods to share after the service.

Nancy Stoll will be **out of the church office** this week. Please give any items for next Sunday's announcement sheet to Randé Fritz or Pastor Kevin by Thursday morning. Thanks!

You are invited to **help pick up trash along Hall School Road** this Wed., Apr. 26, at 6 p.m. Talk to Wendy Hochstedler with questions.

All men are invited to the next **Men's Prayer Breakfast** which will be held this Sat., Apr. 29, at Panera Bread in Waynesboro.

Congratulations to Dale Humphries who will be graduating from Eastern Mennonite Seminary this Sat., Apr. 29, with a Masters of Divinity!!

The **EMHS Touring Choir** will share with us next Sun. morning, Apr. 30, and will stay for the fellowship meal following. Please bring extra food and drink to share as there are approximately 40 choristers! Thanks!

You are invited to the next **Congregational Prayer Gathering**, which will be held on Wed., May 3, at 7 p.m.

As it has become more difficult to consistently have **homemade bread available each Sunday for handing out to visitors**, it has been decided to stop that program at this time. Many thanks to those who have made bread over the past few years for this purpose. It has truly been appreciated by many visitors.

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Attention Springdale Men: Some interest has been expressed in organizing a fishing trip on the Chesapeake Bay sometime in the next six months. The event would most likely happen on a Saturday, with the possibility of the group spending Friday and/or Saturday night at a nearby motel or cabin. Costs would include fishing (\$100/person), lodging, food, and gas. At this time, interest is being gauged for such an event. Please talk to Dave Powell or Alan Shenk if you are interested or have questions.

Men's Softball Game this Week: Thurs., Apr. 27, 6:30 p.m.

MYF Event: Wed., May 10 - MYF Gathering (7 p.m.)

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

- "Laughter is Sacred Space," May 19, 7 p.m. Free admission!
- Spring Congregational Meeting, May 21, noon (and lunch for those who attend the meeting).
- Bake Sale to benefit the Green family, mission workers in Italy, May 27, 9 a.m., at the Cheese Shop in Stuarts Draft.
- Vacation Bible School, June 22-25, Lynside Mennonite Church.

The **Future Church Summit** will add a new dimension to this summer's Mennonite Church USA Convention, inviting participants to envision an Anabaptist future for our church. You can learn more at the following link: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/future-church-summit/>.

Partnering with Everence Sharing Fund: Our congregation helped three organizations in need with \$3,000 of financial assistance in 2016. Everence matching grants provided almost \$900,000 nationally to help people in need last year. Learn more about this program from our Stewardship Advocate, Dave Miner.

Items on the Bulletin Board or Under Church Mailboxes

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

- Eastern Mennonite Middle School's presentation of "Charlotte's Web," Apr. 28-30. *Maggie Fairfield is a member of the cast.*
- Family Fun Day at W'burg Christian Retreat Center, Apr. 29, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Talk to Krista Powell with questions.
- ComfortCare's "Stride" event, May 6, 8 a.m. (5K) / 9 a.m. (walk).
- Mom2Mom Diaper Drive to benefit ComfortCare Women's Health, May 8, 2-7 p.m., at the Kroger in Staunton (sponsored by Spirit FM).
- Quality items needed for VA Menn. Missions auction, May 20. Proceeds may be designated for specific mission workers (e.g., the Shawn/Laura Green family). Check the bulletin board for add'l information.