

Announcements
Springdale Mennonite Church
December 18, 2016

Please pray for Fred & Kim Powell; Ben Showalter; Kathy Poindexter's brother (Sam Frey, pancreatic cancer); those who are struggling with pain or despondency; and those who serve as caregivers.

We extend a **warm welcome** to District Minister Beryl Jantzi, who will be licensing Pastor Denise for ministry during this morning's worship service, as well as sharing the morning message.

Young adults are invited to an **evening of fun, games & conversation** at the home of Kevin & Denise Goertzen this evening at 7:00! Please bring a favorite snack or drink, as well as a table game if you would like.

All men are invited to a time of **coffee and conversation** this Tues., Dec. 20, 8:30 a.m., at Donuts Delight in Stuarts Draft!

Primary Sunday School students are invited to a **2016th birthday party for Jesus** this Thurs., Dec. 22, 2-5 p.m.! Come to the church basement to play games, hear a birthday story, make a gift for Jesus, and enjoy some birthday cake. Contact Carleen L. or Wendy H. with questions.



You and your family/friends are invited to our **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** this Sat., Dec. 24, at 7 p.m. If you wish, you are invited to bring infant care kits for Mennonite Central Committee (kit content lists are in the literature rack & blankets made by our Sewing Circle ladies are available in the church foyer to use with the kits). Also, an offering will be received to benefit WARM.

MYF Events: Today - Menno Bucks Café (a.m.); Wed., Dec. 28 - Christmas Party at Dale/Paula's Home (6:30 p.m.)!

A **new letter** from Shawn & Laura Green is posted on the Mission Bulletin Board, and copies are available under the church mailboxes.

Our **worship services** on Dec. 25 & Jan. 1 will be held at the normal time (10:30 a.m.), but there will be *no Sunday School* on either of those days.

Menno Bucks Café will not be held on Dec. 25 & Jan. 1, and will resume on Jan. 8.

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Updates for the 2017 Springdale address directory are due today!

The writing team of a rewritten resolution on *Seeking Peace in Israel & Palestine* welcomes counsel and feedback on this revised resolution by Dec. 20. You can read the resolution/complete the feedback form at <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/seeking-peace-israel-palestine/> or pick up the information in the church foyer. *This is your opportunity to impact the shaping of this resolution!!*

Reservations for Sherando Lake's campsites are now open for next June, when we will be holding our Church Day Out event there! Our Sunday event will be held on June 11, and you are invited to reserve campsites for any/all of that weekend. Visit www.recreation.gov, search for "Sherando Lake Recreation Area Family Camping," click on "Sherando Lake Recreation Area Family Camping," then click on "Facility Map" to bring up the various campsites. You are encouraged to select a campsite at or near the C10 site, as this is a pretty area near the river, and it would be fun to have Springdale folks camping near each other. The price is \$25 per night per campsite. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Dave Mininger is planning a **Mennonite Disaster Service work trip** to the White Sulphur Springs area of West Virginia, Feb. 27-Mar. 3. Please contact him if you may be interested in participating.

Updated your will lately? Learn more about how to **create a will** in the *Making Your Wishes Known* guide that can help you take the key steps in creating a will and learn other end-of-life planning tips. An educational service of faith-based Everence Financial, the free guide is available at everence.com/end-of-life-planning.

Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is a class for believers from all walks of life to get threaded into God's story and experience God's heart for all peoples. *Perspectives* will open the eyes of your heart with fresh knowledge and understanding of God's unchanging purposes and why they are relevant to your life. The Spring 2017 class will meet at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center, 711 S. Main St., Harrisonburg. The first two sessions are free. For registration details, find the class at perspectives.org or contact Carol Tobin at 540-435-9887.

Items on the Bulletin Board or Under Church Mailboxes

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

- Local Christmas events.
- Multiple volunteer and job opportunities, mostly in Harrisonburg.