

Souderton Mennonite Church ~ 1/7/2018



Preservice Music: "Arise My Soul Arise", "Joy Has Dawned", "Trading My Sorrows"

9:30am

Welcome & Announcements ~ *Val Johnson*

Hymn #6, "Here In This Place"

Call to Worship ~ *Pastor Nate Johnson*

"Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)"

STJ#95, "I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light"

"Turn Your Eyes", "I Love You Lord"

Congregational Prayer ~ *Pastor John Engle*

Offering, Hymn #407, "We Are People Of God's Peace", "This Little Light of Mine"

Children's Story ~ *Amanda Johnson*

*Children ages 3 to Kindergarten are invited to Children's Church*

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 60:1-5a and Matthew 5:16 ~ *Pastor Jen Eriksen Morales*

Message: "Let Your Light Shine" ~ *Pastor Tim Bentsch*

Communion, Prayer & Anointing

Benediction

*Following our service, members of our Prayer Team are available at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you.*

*Sunday School for all ages will begin at 10:50am. Stop by the Welcome Table for a listing of our classes and their locations.*

*SMC Nursery Care is available each Sunday morning during Worship and Sunday School. Loving caregivers will be in the Toddlers Nursery each week to care for your infants-3 years old.*

**Connections Café, a Sunday School class for adults of all ages and stages of faith, will be discussing the vocabulary of faith, starting January 7.** Are you puzzled by some of the language of the Christian faith? Words like eschatology, idolatry, and forbearance? Join us as we explore these together. We meet in the room across from the Fellowship Hall; we welcome all, whether you're able to come occasionally or regularly. Questions? Contact Debra Franke at 215-855-6383.



**Meet & Greet, TODAY!** If you have been attending SMC for a few weeks (or a few years!) and would like to learn more about our church and/or how to become a member, **we invite you to stay after Sunday School for an informal gathering and hear ways you can become more connected at SMC.**

**Lunch will be provided** in the Connections Café across from the Fellowship Hall.



**Accepting applications for 2018 Summer Interns! VAM (Vocation as Mission)** is seeking young adults who want to gain

valuable experience in their field of study as well as in community service, leadership training, and building relationships in & outside of the local church. This opportunity is a partnership between churches in Franconia and Eastern District Conferences and is open to ANY interested college students. VAM, is an **8 week paid internship** that runs from early June through the end of July. Contact Jenifer Eriksen Morales at 215-723-3088.

## Service Opportunities

**Our MCC Project of the month is dark or light colored medium weight hand or bath towels.** Place donated items on the table at the mission wall.



**Saturday, March 31, 2018  
Community Easter Celebration**

Last year's Community Easter Celebration was a huge success and we look forward to blessing our community with another fun morning this year. **We are seeking a group of volunteers to join our planning committee.** Could you help with organizing tasks like collecting candy, an egg hunt, crafts, snacks or greeters? Contact Pastor Jen or Sarah Scorzetti!

**SMC Vacation Bible School (VBS) Save the dates:** June 25 - June 29, 2018  
**The VBS Team is in need of a Décor coordinator.** Please contact Sarah Scorzetti, Children's Ministry Director, with questions or interest!  
sscrozetti@soudertonmennonite.org ~ 215-723-3088 x 108

## Upcoming 2018 Events

### Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Wednesday Night Community Meals & Activities resume. A free meal is served 6 to 6:45pm with activities for all ages 7-8pm.

### Sunday, January 14, 2018 ~ 12 to 2pm

Families with ages 3-1st grade are invited to the gym after Sunday School for a potluck lunch and winter themed activities. (1 parent must attend with each child). Please RSVP to Sarah Scorzetti by Monday January 8th.

### Sunday, January 21, 2018

Congregational Meeting during Sunday School. (No Adult Classes scheduled.)

- Review the 2018 Budget
- Affirmation Votes for nominated Board Members and Gifts Discernment Team
- Intern Program Update

### Saturday, January 27, 2018

Save the date for our annual Youth Auction and Dinner.

Doors open in the Fellowship Hall at 5pm for the Dinner & the Silent Auction. Live Auction will begin at 6:30pm. (Child care provided for ages 2-5th grade.)

### Sunday, January 28, 2018

Mission Sunday and a Fellowship Potluck Lunch after Sunday School

### Saturday, February 3, 2018

SMC Marriage Ministry hosts: The Great Date Night at 6:30pm.

An evening to laugh-out-loud and a relationship strengthening experience through music, comedy, biblical truths and real life stories. \$20 a couple includes a delicious dessert buffet. Signups begin TODAY in the main lobby.

### Sunday, February 4, 2018

Hymn Sing led by Pastor Tim at 3pm in the Sanctuary.



**Have you found us on Facebook?** Our SMC Facebook page is an excellent way to keep in touch with what is happening here on Sunday mornings and in our ministries. You'll see pictures, videos & reminders of upcoming events.

Search for "**Souderton Mennonite Church**" and "**Like**" us!

### Statistics for Sunday, December 31, 2017

Worship Attendance ~ 249

MEP ~\$13,745



Missions ~ \$380



General Fund~ \$69,208

# This week at a glance...

## Sunday, January 7      **Message by Pastor Tim Bentsch ~ Isaiah 60:1-5a**

\* Communion and an opportunity to receive a blessing and anointing for the New Year

8:15 to 9am

Prayer Gathering

9:30am

Worship Service

**10:50am**

**Sunday School for all ages**

**12 to 1:30pm**

**Meet and Greet Luncheon, *Connections Cafe***

5 to 7pm

Pickleball, *WSCC*

## Monday, January 8

7pm

Women's Walking Group, *Main Entrance*

## Tuesday, January 9

7 to 10pm

Young Adult Volleyball, *WSCC*

7pm

*Prayer Shawl Ministry, Main Lobby*

## Wednesday, January 10

### **Community Meal**

**6 to 6:45pm ~ Fellowship Hall**

**Tater Tot Casserole, Salad and Desserts**

**Hosted by the Faithful Workers Sunday School Class**

7 to 8pm

Clubs (age 3 to 5th grade), *Children's Dpt.*

7 to 8pm

Youth (6 to 12th), *Youth Center*

7 to 8pm

Unique Women Hang Out, *Nook*

7 to 8pm

Men's Bible Study, *Pastor Tim's office & Rm 301*

7 to 8pm

Women's Bible Study, *Rm 119*

7 to 8:30pm

Adult Choir Practice, *Choir Room*

## Thursday, January 11

7:30 to 9pm

Men's Over-40 Basketball, *WSCC*

## Sunday, January 14

### **Message by Pastor Jen Eriksen Morales**

8:15 to 9am

Prayer Gathering

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Worship Service

**10:50am**

**Sunday School for all ages**

**12 to 2pm**

**Families of ages 3-1st grade Potluck & Social, *WSCC***

5 to 7pm

Pickleball, *WSCC*

### **SMC Office Hours:**

Monday (Closed)    Tues - Thurs 8:30 am  
to 4:00 pm



## January 10—March 14

Community Meal (Fellowship Hall)	6-6:45pm
Youth Activities (Youth Center) For grades 6-12	7-8pm
Boy's, Girl's, & PK Club (Children's Dept.) For ages 4 - 5th grade	7-8pm
Unique Women Hang-Out (Nook) Young Women with differing abilities	7-8pm
Women's Bible Study (Room 119) "Getting to Know God"...a study of God's character using scriptural names that provide a glimpse of who our God really is.	7-8pm
Men's Bible Study	7-8pm
Adult Choir Practice (Choir Room)	7-8:30 pm
Divorce Care (Connections Café) Support, counsel & encouragement to people who have been through the pain of divorce or are separated from their spouse.	7-8:30pm
Narcotics Anonymous (Room 305/307)	7-8:30pm



January 10 - March 14, 2018

*Community Meal: 6:00 to 6:45 PM*

1/10- Tater Tot Casserole, Salad, Applesauce & Desserts

1/17- Chicken & Stuffing, Veggies, Salad & Desserts

1/24- Mac & Cheese, Veggies, Salad & Desserts

1/31- Meatball Subs, Veggies, Chips, Salad & Desserts

2/7- Ham, Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad & Desserts

2/14- Chicken, Potatoes, Carrots, Salad & Desserts

2/21- Hamburgers, Fries, Veggies, Salad & Desserts

2/28- Lasagna, Veggie, Salad, Bread & Desserts

3/7- Egg Casseroles, Fruit Salad & Desserts

3/14- Taco Salad & Desserts