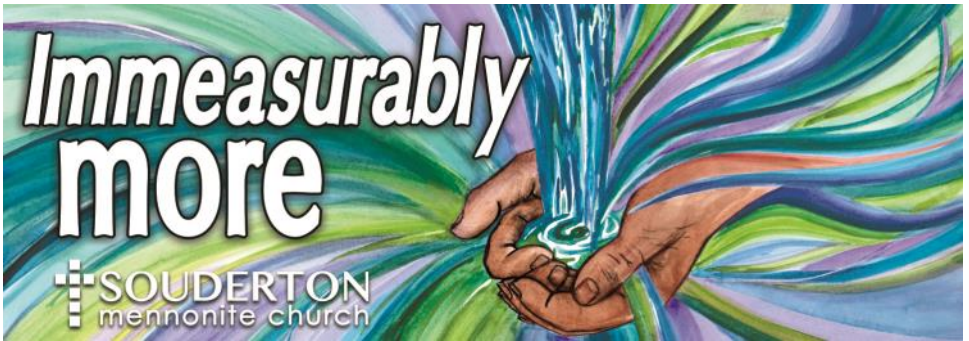


October 22, 2017



"One Thing Remains"
"The Church's One Foundation"

9:30am Worship Service

Hymn #100, "Praise Him, Praise Him"

Announcements & Call to Worship ~ *Eric Bishop*

"Holy Spirit"

"More Love, More Power" & "How Great Thou Art"

Children's Story ~ *Deb Brunk*

Congregational Prayer ~ *Pastor John Engle*

Offering, "I go to the Rock" ~ *Glory Ringers and Pastor Tim Bentsch*

Children ages 3 to kindergarten are invited to Children's Church

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:7-21

Message : "The Great Mystery of Immeasurably More" ~ *Pastor Tim Bentsch*

Hymn #499, "Lord Speak to Me"

Benediction ~ *Pastor Jen Eriksen Morales*

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.

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.

Candy & Conversation! Do you live in a location where trick or treaters never pass? Join Pastors Tim and Nate to **share God's light on Halloween** (October 31st) by handing out candy and meeting families in our community. **Please bring your individually wrapped candy donations to the main lobby and/or sign up to hand out candy from 5-6:30 or 6:30-8pm.**



Help us reach our goal of packing 50 filled Shoeboxes with gifts!

Operation Christmas Child is a ministry that sends hope with Christmas gifts to the neediest and most vulnerable children around the world. Stop by the table in the lobby for donation ideas and **return them Sunday, November 5th.**

Souderton Mennonite Homes Holiday Bazaar is held on Friday November 10 (9am-6pm) and Saturday, November 11 (9am-3pm). **SMC is asked to help donate baked goods for the sale on Saturday.** Drop off a baked good and enjoy crafters, holiday specials in the Corner Store & oyster stew in the Apple Orchard Café!

Family Literacy Update: Funding and oversight for the family literacy program, now being called **Souderton Learning Center PACT (Parents And Children Together)**, will begin at SMC October 30th. If you would like to volunteer with PACT, please contact Pastor Jen. **Special monetary offerings will be taken on Sunday's: Oct 22 and Oct 29 (please mark PACT in the memo line of your checks)**



2018 Calendars and Devotional Books are once again being collected for inmates at Graterford Prison under the direction of Chaplain Russell

Gates who has expressed the gratitude of the inmates for these meaningful items. "Their lives, like our lives, are measured by each new day." Please pray for the unnamed recipients of your donations, that they will seek and sense God's intervention in their lives. Place your donations in the mailbox of Don & Bonnie Bergey. (Calendars

Jackie's House Dedication Today: This afternoon from 2:00-3:00 there is a house dedication for Jackie Davies' family's house, followed by light refreshments and a tour of the house. You are invited to see what SMC members and other friends have done these last few months, renovating the house in an effort to bless Jackie and her family—Don, Mercy and Don (Jr.) Davies. The address is 49 South 9th St. at the corner of 9th and Chestnut Streets in Perkasio. Please keep Jackie in prayer regularly; we anticipate another time to celebrate when she is able to come home and will announce that when it gets scheduled.

Women's Fall Bible Studies: A variety of Bible Studies are being offered this fall. Check out the list of available studies/times at the Women's Ministry Table in the Main Lobby or on our website. (Women's Ministry is under the "Community" tab.)

Women's Walking Group - Are you looking for a fun way to exercise and be with people? Come join the walking group **Mondays from 7-8pm**. Meet at SMC's front doors rain or shine. Any questions contact Thea Moyer #267-882-6305.

Saturday, November 11, 9:30am: Meet in the Youth Center to assemble care packages to send to our college students.

Souderton Mennonite Church, Holiday Service Dates:

Wednesday, November 22, 6:30pm ~ Thanksgiving Eve Service

Sunday, December 3, 6pm ~ Carols & Cookies

Thursday, December 21, 6:30pm ~ Longest Night Service

Sunday, December 24, 2pm ~ Christmas Eve Worship & Pageant

There will be one service this Christmas Eve with an original play and music written by members of SMC. We will also worship together by singing hymns, hearing scripture and special music by our SMC Choirs to celebrate the birth of Christ.



SMC is committed to financially supporting the after-school program called "Girls on the Run" at EMC Elementary School.

Donations are still needed to subsidize the cost for girls to join this club which will help them gain confidence in themselves physically and emotionally. Please mark your donations with "Girls on the Run" in the memo line of your checks.

**YOUTH
Activities**

Sunday, October 29 ~ Jr & Sr High youth will meet for Sunday School with Bruce Main from Urban Promise.

Sunday, 11/5 ~ Sr. High, Football at Floyds, 1 to 5pm

Sunday, 11/19 ~ Jr. & Sr. High, Youth Sunday

Statistics for October 15, 2017

Worship Service Attendance ~ 285

MEP ~ \$4,906

Missions ~ \$518

General Fund ~ \$16,606

This week at a glance...

Sunday, October 22

8:15 to 9am

9:30am

10:50am

2 to 3pm

4 to 7pm

5 to 7pm

Message by Pastor Tim Bentsch

Prayer Gathering

Worship Service

Sunday School for all ages

Jackie Davies House Dedication

Mentor Ministry Event, Fellowship Hall

Pickleball, *WSSC*

Monday, October 23

6 to 7pm

7pm

Glory Ringers Hand Bell Practice, *Room 112*

Women's Walking Group, *Main Entrance*

Tuesday, October 24

7 to 10pm

Young Adult Volleyball, *WSSC*

Wednesday, October 25

Community Meal

6 to 6:45pm ~ Fellowship Hall

Ham, Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad & Desserts

Hosted by the Connections Café 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

7 to 8pm

Women's Bible Study, *Rm 119*

7pm

Adult Choir Practice, *Choir Room*

Thursday, October 26

6:30 to 7:30am

Men's Bible Study at the Franconia Café

7:30 to 9pm

Men's Over-40 Basketball, *WSSC*

6:30 to 7:30pm

Dementia Care Support Group, Connections Cafe

Saturday, October 28

8am to noon

Work day at Jackie's House (49 S. 9th St, Perkasio)

Sunday, October 29

8:15 to 9am

9:30am

10:50am

5 to 7pm

Mission Sunday

Message by Bruce Main, Urban Promise Ministries

Prayer Gathering

Worship Service

Sunday School for all ages

Everyone is invited to join the Youth for Sunday

School if you would like to hear more from

Bruce & Urban Promise

Pickleball, *WSSC*



October 4th - December 13th

Community Meal: 6:00 to 6:45 PM

10/04—Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit Salad, Dessert

10/11—Beef BBQ, Tator Tots, Veggie, Salad, Dessert

10/18—Chicken Alfredo, Veggie, Salad, Dessert

10/25—Ham, Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Dessert

11/01—Chicken Sandwich, Chips, Veggie, Salad, Dessert

11/8—Egg Casserole, Fruit Salad, Dessert

11/15—Spaghetti Pie, Veggie, Salad, Dessert

11/22—Thanksgiving Service 6:30 pm

~ No meal served tonight

11-29—baked Chicken, Potatoes, Veggie, Salad, Dessert

12/06—BBQ Ham Sandwich, Veggie Soup, Salad, Dessert

12/13—Mexican Surprise, Veggie, Salad, Dessert



October 4th—December 13th

Community Meal (Fellowship Hall) 6-6:45pm

Joyful Noise 6:15 - 7pm
Singing & Hand bells for grades 2-8

Youth Activities (Youth Center) 7-8pm
For grades 6-12

Boy's, Girl's, & PK Club (Children's Dept.) 7-8pm
For ages 4 - 5th grade

Unique Women Hang-Out (Nook) 7-8pm
Young Women with differing abilities

Women's Bible Study (Room 119) 7-8pm
"Getting to Know God"...a study of God's character using scriptural names that provide a glimpse of who our God really is.

Men's Bible Study 7-8pm

Adult Choir Practice (Choir Room) 7-8:30 pm

Divorce Care (Connections Café) 7-8:30pm
Support, counsel & encouragement to people who have been through the pain of divorce or are separated from their spouse.