

Souderton Mennonite Church

The Search



January 1, 2017 Worship Service

Sing the Story #1, "Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness"

"Arise My Soul Arise"

Welcome & Call to Worship

"God Will Make a Way"

Time of Greeting

Congregational Prayer

Offering ~ "Hope was Born that Night"

Scripture: Isaiah 43:18-21 (Page 590)

Message: "The Culmination of the Search" ~ Pastor Tim Bentch

Time of Blessing and Anointing

"Take My Life"

Hymn #299, "New Earth, Heavens New"

Words of Blessing

Hymn #407, "We are People of God's Peace"

Happy New Year!

Clarification about Pastor Mim's term:

Pastor Mim plans to continue her interim service as Care Pastor until the end of February. We are so very grateful for the wonderful ministry and care of Mim among us! The Pastoral Search Team and Board are working with that time frame in mind. --Pastor Tim



2017 Offering Envelopes are in your Church Mailboxes.

If anyone WOULD LIKE an envelope # (or a church mailbox) who does not have one now, please contact the church office: jgillespie@soudertonmennonite.org or call #215-723-3088.



Seniors Lunch ~ Wednesday January 4th, 12pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Tim Bentch will be giving a short concert following the meal. Please RSVP to Jess Gillespie (215-723-3088).



Pickle ball for Jr. High Mentees and their Mentors!

Friday, Jan 6, 6:30 to 8:30 in the SMC gym.

We need 12 pairs, so we will take the first 12 Mentor pairs who RSVP to Rhonda Ruth mmrrr@comcast.net or call #215-565-5103.

Sr. High Fondue Party ~ Friday, January 6th ~ 5:30pm

Hosted by the Gillespie's: 723 Indian Creek Rd, Telford

Congregational Budget Meeting ~ January 15th during Sunday School



MYF Dinner & Fundraiser Auction

Saturday January 28th

Dinner: 5-6pm, Live Auction: 6:30pm

Save the Date!! The Congregation is invited to a night of food and fellowship prepared & served by the SMC Youth Groups. **Donations for our live and silent auctions are now being accepted.** The meal and auction raise money for the youth's trip to the Mennonite Youth Convention in Orlando this summer, retreats and other weekly activities.

SMC Office Hours

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

Friday - 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

215-723-3088 ❖ www.soudertonmennonite.org



Sr. High Mentees and their Mentors Pickleball

Friday, February 3, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Valentines Banquet ~ Saturday February 4th, 6pm in the Fellowship Hall.
Guest speakers are Mike & April Clemmer. Childcare is available. (Donations will be accepted that night to help cover the evening's costs.)

Men's Breakfast ~ Save the date for Sat., February 18th, 7am.

SMC Staff Opening:

The Custodial Team has a part time position available (4-6 hour/week). If you are reliable, responsible and enjoy cleaning, please contact Lee Edsill at 215-723-3088 ext. 102 or Ledsill@soudertonmennonite.org to schedule an interview.

Service Opportunities at SMC



Our January (MCC) Project is donating hand/bath towels.
(Medium weight, dark or bright colors)

SMC Audio Ministry Teams

Team members are needed for the Sunday morning worship services. Responsibilities include setting up the audio equipment & operating the sound board. Training is provided. Please contact Dave Dengler if you are interested.
dadengler@verizon.net

SMC Video Tech Team:

Team members are needed to operate the computer projection system for worship services on Sunday mornings. Training is provided. Please contact Phil Detweiler if you are interested. pddetweiler@gmail.com

Statistics for December 25, 2016

Worship Service Attendance: 210

Christmas Eve Attendance: 574

MEP ~ \$8,176 ❖ Missions ~ \$135 ❖ General Fund ~ \$26,690

Balance to fund the remaining 2016 MEP Financial Commitment ~ \$6,685

Balance to fund the remaining 2016 General Budget ~ \$109,525

This week at a glance...

Sunday, January 1st ~ New Year's Day Worship

Message by Pastor Tim Bentsch

10:30am

Worship Service

No Sunday School



Tuesday, January 3

9am to 3pm

Quilt N Knot Ministry, *Fellowship Hall*

7pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry, *Main Lobby*

7pm

Young Adult Volleyball

Wednesday, January 4

12pm

Seniors Luncheon (& Concert by Pastor Tim)

Please RSVP to Jess Gillespie or churchoffice@soudertonmennonite.org

7pm

N.A. (Narcotics Anonymous) *Rm 305/307*

Thursday, January 5

7 to 9pm

Men's Over-40 Basketball, *WSCC*

7:30pm

A.A. Big Book Step Study, *Rm 313/315*

Friday, January 6

6:30 to 8:30pm

Jr. High Mentor Ministry Pickleball, *WSCC*

5:30pm

Sr. High Fondue /Movie Night at the Gillespie's

Sunday, January 8 ~ Communion

Message by Pastor Tim Bentsch

8:15 to 9am

Prayer Gathering

9:30am

Worship Service

10:50 am Sunday School for all ages

5 to 7pm

Pickleball, *WSCC*