

But these are written that you may *believe* that
Jesus is the *Messiah*, the Son of God,
and that by believing you may have *life* in his name.

John 20:31

Souderton Mennonite Church *April 23, 2017*

Hymn # 275, "Lift your Glad Voices"

Welcome & Greeting

"Risen Today"

"Jesus Paid it All"

"Jesus"

Congregational Prayer ~ *Pastor Tim Bentsch*

Offering , "Come Holy Spirit"

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31 ~ *Tom and Brenda Leister*

Children's Story ~ *Randy & Barb Moyer*

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

Message: "Eye Witness" ~ *Pastor Jenifer Eriksen Morales*

Hymn #285, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

Go in Peace!

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

Sunday School classes for all ages will begin at 10:50am.

*Stop by the Welcome Table for a complete listing
of our classes and their locations*



Get your picture taken for our church's online directory!

Stop in the Main Lobby (near the prayer room) and have your family's picture taken before or after the Worship Services on the following dates: **4/23, 4/30**. The church office will gladly upload the picture onto our online directory for you!

Alzheimer's Association/Dementia Caregiver's Support Group ~ Meet in the SMC Connections Café on **Thursday, April 27 at 6:30pm**. Facilitated by Debbie Hedrick and Erin Toth, this group is open to friends, family members and caregivers of someone with Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia. If you are caring for someone or love someone with dementia and would like to better understand the progression of symptoms and how to relate to them in helpful, meaningful ways this group could be helpful to you.

Friday, April 28th ~ 7 to 9:30pm: Jr. and Sr. High Youth Meet & Greet

All youth and advisors are invited to come and meet our new Interim Youth Director - Nate Johnson and his wife Val. Meet in the youth center for games, snacks, and a chance to start getting to know Nate and Val. Nate and Val's first Sunday at SMC will be May 7th.

Our APRIL (MCC) Project of the month is collecting hygiene items:

Shampoo (13-24oz size in a re-sealable plastic bag), adult toothbrushes, and good quality fingernail clippers. Place donated items on the table at the mission wall.

MEP Meetings: (Mennonite Education Plan) April 30 & May 7 during Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall. Eligible families who will be enrolling children in our church schools (Dock Mennonite Academy & Quakertown Christian) for the 2017-2018 school year and families considering enrollment are required to attend one of these meetings. (Youth must attend with their parents.)



SMC hosts the **Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)** for the **month of May**. Our guests (homeless families) will need supplies, meals, transportation and volunteers to stay overnight with them in the church (cots & private room provided). Sign up to volunteer in the Main Lobby.

Senior
Lunch

Our next **Senior Luncheon** (for SMC's 65+) will be **Thursday, May 11** at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a lite lunch, fellowship and a chance to learn more about our newest Pastor, Jenifer Eriksen Morales. Please RSVP to the church office at 215-723-3088.



MULCH DAY—May 13, 8-11am. Sunday School Classes—have your beds prepped and weeded for mulching on the 13th.

All Volunteers needed and welcome on *Mulch Day!*

Ladies: There is some interest in beginning a women's Bible Study/small group that would meet during the day. Please contact Deb Kratz (fdkratz@comcast.net) or 215-723-4928 if you would be interested in joining this new group.

The Glory Ringers (high school & adult handbell choir) are still in need of ringers who can read music to play for Music Sunday, April 30th. Practices are Mondays, 6-7pm. If interested, contact Dottie Reed: 215-272-9335

Are you interested in learning more about baptism including the meaning and symbols of baptism? Are you ready to be baptized? Contact Pastor Jenifer at jeriksenmorales@soudertonmennonite.org or 215-723-3088.

Vacation Bible School is June 26-30, 9 to 11:45 am

Sign up to volunteer at the display table in the Main Lobby!

We still need helpers in the following areas:

23 Guides, 11 Craft, 8 Games, 3 Snack, 2 Greeters,

2 Photographers, & 3 for Registration on Monday and Tuesday

Contact: Dee Johnson bodojo79@yahoo.com if you can help.



Accepting applications for Summer 2017 Interns! We are seeking high school graduates & college students who want experience in community service, leadership training, and building relationships in & outside of the local church. The internship program will run 8 weeks, early June through end of July. Questions? Contact Sarah Freeman at 215-723-3088.

Future dates to remember:

Sunday, May 21, 9:30am ~ Missions Sunday

Saturday, June 3, 8pm to midnight ~ MEDA Night Market

Sunday, June 11, 9:30am ~ Children's Sunday

Sunday, July 16 ~ Morning Worship in the Souderton Park

Statistics for April 9, 2017

Good Friday Attendance: 189

Easter Worship Service Attendance: 589

MEP ~ \$5,248 ❖ Missions ~ \$645 ❖ General Fund ~ \$25,713

This week at a glance...

Sunday, April 23

- 8:15 to 9am Prayer Gathering
* Photo directory pictures taken in the Main Lobby before worship.
9:30am Worship Service
* Photo directory pictures taken in the Main Lobby after worship.
10:50am Sunday School for all ages
11am to 1pm Gifts Discovery Class, Fellowship Hall
5 to 7pm Pickleball, WSCC

Tuesday, April 25

- 7pm Young Adult Volleyball

Wednesday, April 26

- 7pm Adult Choir Practice, *Choir Room*
7pm N.A. (Narcotics Anonymous), *Rm 305/307*

Thursday, April 27

- 7:30 to 9pm Men's Over-40 Basketball, WSCC
7:30 to 9pm A.A. Big Book Step Study, *Rm 313/315*

Friday, April 28

- 7 to 9:30pm Jr. & Sr. High Meet and Greet, Youth Center**

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- Music Sunday, Message by Pastor Tim Bentsch**
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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

JUNGLE SAFARI

Summer Vacation Bible School

Souderton Mennonite Church

June 26-30, 2017

Get ready for a life-changing adventure that leads kids in search of a priceless treasure while enjoying singing, games, crafts, stories and snacks. Along the way, kids will encounter clever clues, mysterious symbols, and cunning creatures. Through Jungle Safari, they will walk away with solid truth—knowing they can always count on God . . . the greatest treasure of all!



Your kids won't want to miss this adventure! Secure their place on the safari by registering on our website or stopping in at the church to fill out a registration form.

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Sunday Morning Worship ~ 9:30am