

Stephens City Mennonite Church
Invites You to Celebrate the Lord's Presence

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9:30 am Sunday School Worship 10:30 am
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With the gift of new names to reflect new reality, God replaces barrenness and emptiness with life and fruitfulness. We respond in trust, denying ourselves and following Jesus in a life of service and cross bearing.

Gathering Song
Prelude
Welcome & Prayer
Call to Worship
Worship in Song
Offering
Children's time
Confession
Theme Song - STJ #29 You are all we have

(children ages 2-5 are dismissed)

Hearing the Word
Scripture - OT Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
NT Mark 8:31-38
Sermon: God blesses for service

Responding:
Song of Response
Sharing & praying with each other
Announcements
Sending songs
Benediction

Worship Leader: Aldine Musser Sermon: Jim Musser
Song Leader: Joan Kulp Pianist: Anna Grant
Greeters: Ben Rosenberger Usher: Monica Carr
Children's Church: Carol/Sarah Next Week: Audrey/Anna

Meetings and Opportunities for Service

March

10 - Executive Council (need task force nominations prior to this date)
12 - Church prayer time at 7:00pm
14—Men's breakfast @ 7 am
18—youth: Movie and Popcorn
19—worship commission meeting @7
21 - Soul Care for teachers
22 - Pot luck meal
26—SCMC scheduled to help at 5:00 pm at Soup night, Mkt St. UMC
27--SCMC gym night at Evendale Elementary 7—9 pm; basketball & Volleyball are possible activities.

April

6 - Northern District Pastor's Meeting
7—Service and Witness Commission @ 7pm
9 - Agape Meal @ 6:00 p.m.
11--Men's Breakfast @ 7 am
29 - Christian Education Commission @ 7:00 p.m.



Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices during the worship hour and Sunday School in order to reduce distractions.

You are reminded that the Korean Church uses the sanctuary each Wednesday evening, 7:00-9:00pm. Please plan accordingly.

Mark your calendars for June 21-25(6:30 - 8:30 p.m.) for Vacation Bible School. Please see Malinda Kleman to let her know how you would like to help.

March 22 is Lloyd and Elverta Horst's last Sunday worshipping with us since they are moving. We will be praying our good-byes during the service and plan to have a fellowship meal giving everyone an opportunity to express appreciation to them for walking the journey with SCMC these past seven years.

We will resume our church prayer times this Thursday, March 12 to pray about the future of our church in relation to mission and building.

Please submit names to executive council members for consideration for building and fundraising task forces proposed at the last quarterly meeting.

Please bring in your used books for the VEFC book sale on April 3 & 4.

Last Sunday: Offering: Worship service: \$ 1991 (under budget--\$2668.70)
Sunday School: \$9.35
Attendance: Worship service: 58
Sunday School: 33
Building fund: \$3353.00