

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 a firm grip upon our hand, God cleanses and renews us, writing laws and teaching us wisdom in our inner beings. We respond in trust, confessing our failure and submitting ourselves to God's way.

Gathering Songs: Open my eyes, Lord; Lamb of God

Prelude

Welcome & prayer

Call to Worship

Worship in Song: overhead Above all
STJ #91 Like a Mother
HWB #133 Out of the Depths I cry to You
HWB #395 Here I Am, Lord

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 Jeremiah 31:31-34
NT John 12:20-33

Sermon: God leads from failure to life

Responding:

Song of Response: Change my heart, O God

Sharing & Praying with each other

"In our hearts, in our words, in our thoughts, in all we do, we praise you, O Lord."

Announcements

Sending song: HWB #356 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Worship Leader: Aldine Musser Sermon: Jim Musser
Song Leader: Pat Spory Pianist: Beth Whitney
Greeters: Joan & Wayne Rosenberger Usher: Irvin Heishman
Children's Church: David/Anna Next Week: Carol/Sarah

Meetings and Opportunities for Service

April

- 2 - Stephens City Pastor's Fellowship
- 2 - Congregation Care @ 1:30
- 7—Service and Witness Commission @ 7pm
- 9 – Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:00 p.m.
- 10 - Stephens City Community Good Friday Walk at 12:00 noon
- 11--Men's Breakfast @ 7 am
- 12 - Easter Sunrise service at 7:00am, breakfast at 8:00 am
- 14—Church Council mtg @ 7 pm
- 18-- Bike Hike
- 20-- Northern District Pastor's Meeting
- 25 - Church Work Day
- 29 - Christian Education Commission @ 7:00 p.m.

May

- 7-- Annual Missions Day for Women
- 12 - Ex Council
- 13 - Congregational meeting
- 14 - Worship Commission @ 7:00
- 15 - Game night



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Kelly and Bob Phillips will lead bikers on a 20-mile round trip bike hike beginning at Hancock MD on Saturday, April 18th, start time TBA. Get your bikes ready now!

The Maundy Thursday service on April 9 will include an agape meal, communion, reflection, prayer and foot/hand washing. Please sign up on the table if you plan to attend and for what food you can bring.

VEFC's book sale will be at Calvary Church of the Brethren, Apr. 3, 9am-8 pm, and Apr. 4th 9am –2 pm. Bring donations of books to Calvary COB on Apr. 2, 9—5.

You are invited to the 17th Shenandoah Valley Hymn Sing, on March 29, at 7 p.m., at Park View Mennonite Church; all are welcome to come and sing hymns old and new (including a new hymn by Myron Augsburg & John Horst) and listen to and sing along with Hahna, a quartet from EMU. Song leaders come from area Mennonite and Church of the Brethren churches.

A Partners in Mission prayer team is in Albania, praying about the development and support of the Albania Christian School and visiting the mission workers serving in that country. May they be instruments of Christ's love in every location.

Please turn off cell phones and electronic devices during Sunday School and worship.

Last Sunday:	Offering:	Worship service: \$ 1431.00 (under budget--\$2484.38)
		Sunday School: \$7
	Attendance:	Worship service: 51
		Sunday School: 40
	Building fund:	\$3353.00